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Name used in Service (Please Print – Last, First, Middle)	Service Number/SSN	Date & Place of Birth
Price, John, J.		1867 Canada

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: 1950

State of Residence (upon entry into service):

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

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CIVILIAN SERVICE

(Agency & Location): Lighthouse Service (CT/NJ/NY) 3rd and 4th District

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1902	1933

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

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ORIGINAL APPOINTMENT, PROMOTION, OR TRANSFER OF APPOINTEE

Department of Commerce and Labor

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, Third DISTRICT.

Tompkinsville, N.Y.

October 14, 1912 . 191

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

The following recommendation is submitted:

Action proposed, Promotion

Name, John J. Price Legal residence, New York

Position, 2nd Assistant Keeper Salary, $552 per annum

Location, Navesink Light Station, N.J. & Shrewsbury River Lights, N.J.

Effective October 25, 1912 or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty. ~~on the actual date of entrance on duty.~~

BUREAU OF LIGHT-HOUSES OCT 15 1912 DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

Former position, 3rd Assistant Keeper Former salary, $528 per annum

Location, Navesink Light Station, N.J. & Shrewsbury River Lights, N.J.

Rank in list of eligibles, Rating, Percentage,

Other eligibles considered,

Letters of declination inclosed,

Previous incumbent, Sidney Williams Services terminated, On receipt of notice of his dismissal. (Dept. letter Oct. 10-12)

Reason, Dismissed

Remarks: Payable from "Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses"

Department of Commerce and Labor

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES

WASHINGTON

OCT 15 1912

Respectfully submitted to the Secretary of Commerce and Labor, approved.

11—2314

Acting Commissioner

GENERAL APPOINTMENT

Department of Commerce and Labor
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
Washington

October 16, 1912.

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

Sir:

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

Second Assistant Keeper

in the Lighthouse Service

at a salary of Five Hundred and Fifty-two dollars per annum,

effective on the date on which you enter upon duty in the above-mentioned position.

(By promotion from third assistant keeper at $526 per annum.)

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(SIGNED) R. O. SHELSEY

Chief of Appointment Division.

Acting

Appropriation:
Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

Vice: Sidney Williams.

Legal Residence:
New York.

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September 11th, 1913.

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
SEP 12 1913
DEP'T OF COMMERCE

Commissioner:

The following correspondence is forwarded herewith for the Bureau's consideration:

1. Letter of August 17th, 1913 from the keeper of Navesink Light Station.

2. Copy of letter of August 19th, addressed to the Keeper of Navesink Light Station.

3. Letter of August 21st from the Keeper of Navesink Light Station.

4. Copy of letter of August 25th addressed to John J.Price, 2nd Asst.Keeper, Navesink Light Station.

5. Letter of August 27th, received from John J.Price.

6. Letter of August 28th, received from the Keeper of Navesink Light Station.

It is considered that Mr. Price was negligent in permitting the oil cup on engine to be shut off, which caused the crank pin bearing to become hot, which stopped the engine and resulted in extinguishing the light. Also by reason of his failure to notify the Keeper of the Station that the light was extinguished, it being the first duty of an Assistant Keeper to notify the Keeper of a Station in the event of break down or stopping of machinery or extinguishment of the light.

COPY-EJC.

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
SEP 12 1913
DEP'T OF COMMERCE

Navesink L.S. Highlands, N.J.

August 17, 1913.

Inspector:-

To conform to the orders of your office, I have to report that the light at this station was out for a period of eight minutes, as reported by the Ass't Keeper on watch.

The Keeper was not called, that fact being contrary to the written orders of the Dep't.

The occasion of the extinguishing of the light was caused by the crank pin of engine being hot, the same slowing down and stopping.

The time about 2;25 A.M. of this date, the Keeper on duty 2nd Ass't John J.Price.

Signed-Bishop.

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Copy-EJC.

JTY/EJC.



August 19th, 1913.

Bishop, Keeper,

Navesink Light Station,

Highlands, N.J.

Referring to your letter of August 17th, 1913, re light being extinguished.

Inform this office if the heating of crank pin was due to any negligence on the part of Asst.Keeper Price, also if he stated any reason for not calling you when the crank pin became hot.

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BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
SEP 12 1913
DEP'T OF COMMERCE

Navesink L.S. Highlands, N.J.

August 21, 1913.

Inspector:-

Referring to your letter of August 19, 1913, regarding heating of crank pin, etc.

Mr. Price called his relief at 2-20 A.M., and went into the tower to wind the clock, previous to turning the watch over to the 1st Ass't at 2-30 A.M.

When he came from the tower about 2-25, the engine slowed down, stopped. The 1st Asst. who was preparing to take the watch, heard the engine slow down and stop, came out found the trouble was a hot pin, and succeeded in starting the engine, cooled off the pin, the engine running through the night.

In reply to why I was not called, Mr. Price said he had called Mr. Andersen, and did not have time to do so.

Mr.Anderson says that he heard talking in my quarters when he passed through the hall, and supposed I was aware of light being out.

There is no doubt that the cause of the hot pin was the oil cup being shut off, and so reported by Mr.Anderson when he came to the power house, carelessness, and negligence on the part of Mr.Price.

SIGNED- Bishop.

Copy-EJC.

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
SEP 12 1913
DEP'T OF COMMERCE

JHG

REGISTERED
MAIL

August 25th, 1913.

John J.Price, 2nd Asst.Keeper,
Through the Keeper,
Navesink Light Station,
Highlands,N.J.

You are hereby charged with neglect of duty in having permitted oil cup on engine to shut off causing crank pin bearing to become hot, thereby stopping the engine and resulting in extinguishing the light for a period of eight minutes, at 2:25 A.M. on August 17, 1913 at Navesink Light Station, N.J., also with violation of rules in not calling the Keeper at the time of the trouble. A copy of letter from Keeper Bishop is attached herewith.

You are directed to submit any statement you may desire to make, through official channels, within three days from the receipt of this letter. Any statement made must be couched in temperate language, free from countercharges and confined to the point at issue.

If you desire to make no statement, you will so state in writing.

YATES.

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COPY-EJC.

Navesink Light Station,
Highlands, N.J.,
August 27th, 1913.

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
SEP 12 1913
DEP'T OF COMMERCE

Inspector:

(Through the Keeper.)

Referring to your charges of August 25th, 1913. I admit oil cup was shut off causing crank pin bearing to become hot, which I may have done in wiping of cup, without my knowledge , resulting extinguishing the light for a period of seven minutes.

Violation of rules in not calling the Keeper at the time of trouble. I beg to inform you that we never had orders from the Keeper to do so since we received the new instructions, which read all previous orders or instructions in conflict with this general instruction are hereby revoked.

Referring to Mr. Bishop's letter of August 19th, 1913. I beg to inform you that on August 17t, 2:20 A.M. I called Mr. Anderson and after went up in tower to turn over lamp, and also wind clock. In doing this engine stoped, I run to Powerhouse where I met Mr. Anderson, found trouble, started engine and got light going again, in seven minutes.

At 8:00 A.M. Mr.Anderson told Mr.Bishop about light been out. Mr. Bishop then asked Mr. Anderson, why he did not call him. Mr. Anderson answered that he heard Mr. and Mrs.Bishop talking upstairs when he passed through the hall.

Mr.Bishop then gave us the orders for the first time, since the new instrucions was received at this station to call him if any trouble at night.

SIGNED-Price.

Respectfully forwarded.
SIGNED-Bishop.

COPY-EJC.

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
SEP 12 1913
DEP'T OF COMMERCE

Navesink L.S., Highlands, N.J.

August 28th, 1913.

Inspector:

Referring to answer of charged made by your office against 2nd Asst.Keeper John J.Price, relative to the light being extinguished through his carelessness, etc;(Aug.27,1913)

Mr. Price states in his answer that he did not call me because all orders previous to the new"Book of Instructions" were countermanded, but every Keeper that has been at this station has been given that order by the Keeper.

There is a disposition on his part to ignore any orders given by the Keeper, and he complains when called upon to perform some duty that he considers unnecessary, making such complaints in the presence of all Keepers, such actions being detrimental to good discipline and good services.

On July 6th, 1913 (Sunday) the tower was not in good condition, caused by the many persons visiting the previous day, and I ordered the Keepers to go with me and clean the same, a matter of fifteen minutes work. Mr. Price complained about being called upon to perform any work on Sunday, and in the presence of all Keepers said it was the first time that he was called on to work on Sunday. Mr. Price is lacking in zeal, takes no interest in his work, is disrespectful at times when addressing the Keeper, and such actions are detrimental to good services.

Signed-Bishop.

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BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
SEP 23 1913
DEP'T OF COMMERCE

September 22, 1913.

Commissioner of Lighthouses:

The Department is in receipt of the Third Inspector's letter of the 11th instant, and enclosures, relative to the charges preferred against John J. Price, second assistant keeper of Navesink Light Station and Shrewsbury River Lights, New Jersey, for neglect of duty in that he did not give proper care to the engine on the night of August 17, 1913, as the result of which the light was extinguished for about eight minutes, and also that he violated the rules by not reporting the matter to the keeper at the time of its occurrence.

As it appears that Mr. Price was not guilty of willful neglect, the Department approves the Bureau's recommendation of the 17th instant to the effect that he be addressed a letter of caution, it being noted that a copy of the same will be furnished the Department for its files.

(sgd) Albert Lee Thurman

Acting Secretary.

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington, September 26, 1913.

Referred to the Third Inspector for his information and files, there being inclosed a copy of the caution issued by the Bureau, on September 26, 1913. A copy of the caution has been furnished to the Department.

J. S. Conway

Acting Commissioner.

HSW-HRV.

John J.Price,
caution.

September 26, 1913.

Mr. John J. Price,
Second Assistant Keeper of Navesink Light Station
and Shrewsbury River Lights, New Jersey.
(Through Third Inspector.)

Referring to the charges preferred against you by the Third Inspector, on August 25, 1913, for neglect of duty, in that you did not give proper care to the engine on the night of August 17, 1913, as the result of which the light was extinguished for about eight minutes; and, also, that you violated the rules by not reporting the matter to the keeper at the time of its occurrence.

The Bureau regrets your delinquencies in this matter, and cautions you that should you be guilty of any further neglect of duty consideration will be given to taking more drastic action in your case.

The fact that you have been cautioned will be noted on the records of the Department, the Bureau, and those of the Inspector, as a part of your official history.

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington

To Lighthouse Inspector Tompkinsville, N.Y. SEP 27 1913
for files of his office. By direction of the Commissioner:

Commissioner.

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington
Chief Clerk.

Submitted to Secretary of Commerce for his information. SEP 27 1913

Acting Commissioner.

LIGHTHOUSES
NOV 3 1913
DEPT. OF COMMERCE

Copy to 8nd
" Dist.

October 13th 1913.

Navesink Light Station
and Shrewsbury River Lights, N. J.

Commissioner,
(Through the Keeper and Inspector)
Sir:

Your favor of September 26th 1913 received a few days ago, and I fully note what they say in reference to the charges preferred against me by the Third Inspector on August 25th,1913, for neglect of duty in that I did not give proper care to the engine on the night of August 17th 1913, as a result that the light was extinguished for about eight minutes; and that I also violated the rules by not reporting the matter to the keeper at that time.

In reply to same would say, on August 27th, 1913, I wrote the Inspector through the Keeper the following: Referring to your charges of August 25th, 1913, I admit that the oil cup was shut off, causing the crank pin to become hot; which I might have done in wiping of cup without my knowledge, resulting the extinguishing of the light for a period of about seven minutes.

Violation of rules in not calling the Keeper at time, beg to inform that we never had orders to do so since we received the new instructions, 'All previous orders and instructions in conflection with these orders are hereby revoked.

Referring to Mr. Bishop's letter of August 19th 1913, I beg to inform that onAugust 17th 1913, at 2:20 A. M. I called the 1st Assistant and after that went up in the tower, turned over light and also wind clock. In doing this engine stopped. I ran to power house where I met 1st Assistant, found trouble, started engine and got light going in about seven minutes.

At 8.00 A. M. the 1st Assistant told the Keeper, Mr. Bishop, about light been out. the Keeper then asked 1st Assistant, why he did not call him.1st Assistant answer that he heard Mr. & Mrs. Bishop, talking upstairs, when he passed through the hall.

The Keeper then gave us the orders for the first time, since the new instruction was received at this station, to call him if any trouble at night.

I much regret that I should be considered guilty of neglect of my duties, I assure the department that it was my greatest aim to preform the duties that are involved upon me.

You will note that the Keeper's statments and mine are not the same. I am in a position and do solemly affirm that my statements are correct. I would like to have an investigation that the Keeper may prove the charges that he unjustly made against me.

I assure you it is humiliating to me or anyone else to have false charges made without a chance to clear myself. The Keeper has threatened (and I can prove it) that 1st, & 2nd Assistant dare not make any com-

plaint to the Inspector, under the threat that they will be dismissed from the service Commissioner: all I ask for is a fair play. Had the Keeper instructed me to have called him in case of trouble, prior to this accident, I certainly would have done so, but not having received any instructions at that time, and when this accident happened it was on the change of watches, and my first thought was to get the engine started and the light going as quickly as possible. Where had I called the Keeper, the light would have been out at least twenty or thirty minutes, as the vaporizer would have cooled off and I would have had to heat the lamp. In an immergency like that I thought it was my duty to get the light going as quickly as possible. as I was held responsible during my watch. I have gone into this in great length but I felt that I should do so in order to make matters clear. I feel that when the Keeper said I violated the rules in not calling him, he is doing me a great injustice, as I have said before at this time, we had never received from him such instructions, and futhermore I have obeyed the Keeper in all the orders he has given me.

I do think that if anyone has violated the rules, it is the Keeper, to be awake in the House, light out engine stopped, and not coming out to see what the trouble is. It seems an impossibility for the Keeper to be awake and not knowing the trouble as his quarters face the power house and tower, and as the engines are only a short distance from his quarters and making considerable noise, it seems almost an other impossibility.

Trusting that you will give this your careful consideration in and comparison with other reports.

(Signed) Price.

Respectfully forwarded to 3rd Lighthouse Inspector,

(Signed) Robt. A. Bishop,

Keeper.

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
TOMPKINSVILLE, N.Y.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

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BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
OCT 18 1913
GENERAL DEPOT
OFFICE OF INSPECTOR, 3D DISTRICT
TOMPKINSVILLE, N.Y.

FWO/EJC.

Dept. Bu considers action taken justified
JMC 10/20

October 17th, 1913.

Forwarded to Commissioner:

Correspondence pertaining to the charges preferred against Mr. Price has heretofore been forwarded to the Bureau.

It is considered that the spirit of attached letter shows a troublesome disposition on the part of Mr. Price.

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Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington, D.C.
October 23, 1913.

Copy Submitted to Secretary of Commerce for his information.

The charges preferred against John J. Price, Second Assistant Keeper of Navesink Light Station and Shrewsbury River Lights, New Jersey, were carefully investigated before the Bureau submitted its recommendation, that he be cautioned. It is considered that the action taken is justified by the facts adduced, & it is therefore recommended, that the Bureau be authorized to address a letter to Price advising him to the effect that the action taken was considered justified.

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BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
OCT 30 1913
DEPT OF COMMERCE

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11/3/13 Wrote Price
Copy Dept and 3d

October 27, 1913.

Prep. ltr fol. Dept sig &
cop to 3d sig to Dept
DE 10/30

Commissioner of Lighthouses:

The Department is in receipt of copy of the Third Inspector's letter of the 17th instant, transmitting letter dated the 13th instant from John J. Price, second assistant keeper of Navesink Light Station and Shrewsbury River Lights, New Jersey, with regard to the action taken in the matter of certain charges recently preferred against him, and approves the Bureau's recommendation of the 23rd instant to the effect that it be authorized to address a letter to Mr. Price in regard thereto. It is suggested that he be advised that the prior statement made by him, and which covered practically the same ground as that under consideration, was given due weight; that the action taken in his case was considered justified by the circumstances; and that the Department expects from him, as from all its employees, the prompt, efficient, and cheerful service, which is absolutely necessary for good discipline.

(SIGNED) E. F. SWEET

Acting Secretary.

CH-M

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Caution.

November 5, 1913.

Mr. John J. Price,
Second Assistant Keeper,
Navesink Light Station and
Shrewsbury River Lights, N. J.

Through 3rd Inspector, Tompkinsville, N. Y.

Referring to your letter of October 13, 1913 in regard to letter of caution which was addressed to you on September 26, 1913, for neglect of duty, in that you did not give proper care to the engine at the Navesink Light Station and Shrewsbury River Lights, New Jersey, on the night of August 17, 1913.

You are advised that a statement similar to that contained in your letter of October 13, 1913, made by you at the time of the investigation of the charges, and which covered practically the same ground as that under consideration, was given due weight and it is considered that the action taken in your case was justified by the circumstances.

The Bureau expects from you, as from all its employees, prompt, efficient and cheerful service, which is absolutely necessary for good discipline.

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington
NOV 3 1913
Commissioner

Copy to

Submitted to Secretary of Commerce for his information.

Acting Commissioner.

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington
NOV 3 1913

Copy to

To Lighthouse Inspector Tompkinsville, New York
for files of his office. By direction of the Commissioner:

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Chief Clerk

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
TOMPKINSVILLE, N. Y.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHT
JAN 21 1914
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GENERAL DEPOT
OFFICE OF INSPECTOR, 3D DISTRICT
TOMPKINSVILLE, N. Y.

for rec Jan 21

Jan.20,1914

Commissioner.

Recom approval Dismissal Hours

The following correspondence re John J.Price, Second Assistant Keeper at Navesink Light Station and Shrewsbury River Lights, New Jersey, is enclosed for the Bureau's consideration:-

1. Letter dated Dec.11,1913 from Robert A.Bishop, Keeper.
2. Copy of letter of charges dated Dec.12,1913 to John J. Price, Second Assistant Keeper.
3. Letter dated Dec.15,1913 from John J.Price.
4. Letter dated Dec.15,1913 from John J.Price.

In view of the fact that Mr.Price seems to be a source of trouble at this station, as shown by this and previous correspondence, it is recommended that he be transferred to some other station as Assistant Keeper, at the first opportunity.

The approval of this transfer, which can be accomplished only by reducing the salary of Mr.Price, will not be in violation of Section 2 of Civil Service Rule I. There is no other station in this District where an assistant keeper receives as high a salary as Mr.Price receives at Navesink.

YATES
Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington.
JAN 31 1914

Submitted to Secretary of Commerce recommended for approval.

Commissioner.

LIGHT HOUSES FEB 9 1914

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February 7, 1914.

Commissioner of Lighthouses:

Receipt is acknowledged of the Bureau's communication of the 31st ultimo forwarding letter dated the 20th ultimo, and enclosures, from the Inspector of the Third District in regard to the conduct of John J. Price, second assistant keeper of Navesink Light Station, etc., New Jersey.

The Department has carefully noted the correspondence in the case and has taken into consideration the fact that for some time in the past Mr. Price has made determined efforts to create dissention at the station. In view of the circumstances, therefore, the Department has approved the Bureau's recommendation to the effect that Mr. Price be transferred to some other station as assistant keeper at the first opportunity, it being noted that such change must necessarily involve a reduction in salary.

(SIGNED) E. F. SWEET

Assistant Secretary.

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington.
FEB 10 1914

Orig To Lighthouse Inspector, Third District,
for his information, guidance, and files of office.

C-M

Acting Commissioner.

Form 73 JHG

NOMINATION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHT HOUSES APR 15 1914

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, Third DISTRICT,

Tompkinsville, N.Y. (City.) April 14, 1914 (Date.), 191

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Action recommended, Transfer and demotion.

Name, John J. Price — Legal residence, New York

Position, Assistant Keeper — Salary, $480 per annum

Location, Stratford Point Lt. Station, Conn. — Appropriation, Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses

Effective May 1, 1914 — {~~the actual date of entrance on duty~~, or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty.

Former position, 2nd Assistant Keeper — Former salary, $552 per annum

Location, Navesink Light Station and Shrewsbury River Lights, N.J.

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

Previous incumbent, William J. Lavell — Services terminated, April 30, 1914

Reason, Transferred

Relatives in Government Service,

Remarks: Approval of this recommendation will not be in violation of Section 2 of Civil Service Rule 1.

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

YATES

Secretary, Civil Service District

HRW-McC.

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

April 16, 1914.

~~Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.~~

Returned to Third Inspector canceled, the Bureau having decided to recommend to the Department the approval of the recommendations contained in the last paragraph, page 1, of your letter of April 14, 1914. The nomination for the transfer of Price to Absecon Light Station has been submitted to the Department recommended for approval.

Acting Commissioner.

1 Strike out the clause which does not apply.

11—2314

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TOMPKINSVILLE, N. Y.

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OFFICE OF INSPECTOR, 3D DISTRICT
TOMPKINSVILLE, N. Y.

LIGHT
APR 15 1914
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4/16/14 Water Dept
Copy to 3d Insp

April 14 1914

Returned to Commissioner with the information that it is considered probable that John J.Price, if transferred to the position of Assistant Keeper of Stratford Point Light Station,Conn., would work in harmony with the keeper.

Mr.Price has been in the service since November 1,1902, as follows:-

Nov.1,1902 to April 30,1904, 2nd assistant keeper, Montauk Point Lt.Sta.,N.Y.
May 1,1904 to Dec.31,1907, 1st Assistant keeper, Montauk Point Lt.Sta.
Jan.1,1908 to May 2,1909, 3rd assistant keeper, Navesink Light Station.
May 3,1909 to May 31,1910, as assistant keeper, New London Harbor Light Station.
June 1,1910 to Oct.24,1912 as 3rd assistant keeper, Navesink Lt.Sta.
October 25,1912 to present date as 2nd assistant keeper at Navesink Lt.Sta.

It will be noted that Mr.Price was employed at Navesink previous to his present assignment, and during his first tour of duty there is nothing to indicate that he had any difficulty. Outside of Mr.Price's difficulties during his present tour of duty, the records of this office do not indicate that he had trouble at any of the other stations where he was employed with the exception of Montauk Point. (Copy of letter dated October 4,1905, re his trouble at that station, is attached.)

Enclosed for the Bureau's consideration, is copy of letter dated April 10,1914, addressed to the Keeper of Navesink, and his reply thereto, dated April 11,1914.

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Should the Bureau not desire to transfer Mr.Price to Stratford Point Light Station, it is recommended that John J. Price be transferred to the position of 2nd assistant keeper of Absecon Light Station,N.J.; that William J.Lavell, assistant keeper at Stratford Point Light Station be transferred to the position of 3rd assistant keeper at Navesink Light Station and Shrewsbury River Lights,N.J., and that William F.Petzolt, assistant keeper of Governors Island Light Station and Governors Island Extension Light Station be transferred to the position

of assistant keeper at Stratford Point Light Station.

There are enclosed herewith nomination forms 73 and 73a covering the changes last named, and also forms 73 covering the transfer of John J.Price from the position of 2nd assistant keeper at Navesink Light Station and Shrewsbury River Lights, N.J. to the position of assistant keeper of Stratford Point Light Station,Conn., also the transfer of William J.Lavell, assistant keeper at Stratford Point Light Station,Conn., to the position of 3rd assistant keeper of Navesink Light Station and Shrewsbury River Lights,N.J.

Two sets of nomination forms are forwarded so that the necessary appointments can be obtained with the least possible delay, according to the changes the Bureau finally decides to make in the matter, the nomination forms not used to be returned to this office for cancellation.

YATES

McC.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

John J. Price,
transfer.

May 12, 1914.

Hon. Thomas J. Scully,
House of Representatives,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Congressman:

Referring to your communication dated May 11, 1914, relative to the transfer of Mr. John J. Price from the position of second assistant keeper, Navesink Light Station, etc., New Jersey.

I beg to state that the matter is being investigated, and that you will be further advised in regard thereto at an early date.

Respectfully,

Commissioner.

HHBB

Form 73 JHG

NOMINATION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHT APR 15 1914 HOUSES

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, Third DISTRICT,

Tompkinsville, N.Y. (City) April 14 1914 (Date.), 191

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Action recommended, Transfer and demotion

Name, John J. Price — Legal residence, New York

Position, 2nd Assistant Keeper — Salary, ~~$468~~ $552 per annum

Location, Absecon Light Station, N.J. — Appropriation, Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses

Effective May 1, 1914 { the actual date of entrance on duty, or / as soon thereafter as he enters on duty.

Former position, 2nd Assistant Keeper — Former salary, ~~$552~~ $468 per annum

Location, Navesink Lt.Sta. and Shrewsbury River Lights, N.J.

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

Previous incumbent, Knud Hanson — Services terminated, April 30, 1914

Reason, Promoted

Relatives in Government Service,

Remarks: Approval of this recommendation will not be in violation of Section 2 of Civil Service Rule 1.

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

YATES

Secretary, Civil Service District

HRW-McC.

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

April 16, 1914.

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

Attention is invited to Department letter of February 7, 1914, approving the Bureau's recommendation to the effect that Mr. Price be transferred to some station as assistant keeper at the first opportunity. See Bureau recommendation of to-day in the case of Theodore Judson.

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

11—2314

GENERAL APPOINTMENT

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

LIGHT
APR 25 1914
HOUSES

April 23, 1914.

Mr. John J. Price,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

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

~~Second Assistant Keeper~~

in the ~~Lighthouse Service~~

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

effective on the date on which you enter upon duty in the above-mentioned position.

(By transfer from second assistant keeper at $552 per annum.)

Ex D May 11, 1914.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(SIGNED) GEO. W. LEADLEY,

M
C

Chief of Appointment Division.

Appropriation: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

Vice: Knud Hanson.

Legal Residence: New York.

11—3692

APR 25 1914

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
TOMPKINSVILLE, N. Y.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

JHG

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES ANSWERED MAY 21 1914 DEPT. OF COMMERCE

to Rep Scully
Copy 3d

Dep. Commr.
Hydrog.
Engr. Cons.
Mar. Engr.

Examiner.
Personnel.
Accounts.
Contracts.
Chf. Clk.
Commr.

LIGHT MAY 16 1914 HOUSES

GENERAL DEPOT
OFFICE OF INSPECTOR, 3D DISTRICT
TOMPKINSVILLE, N.Y.

May 14,1914

Returned to Commissioner.

Under dated of May 27,1912, John J. Price, third assistant keeper, accused the keeper of Navesink Light Station of snubbing him, neglecting to instruct him personally as to daily work, also neglecting to inform him of rearrangement of watches. The explanation given by the keeper was considered satisfactory by this office, and on May 27,1912 charges were preferred against Mr.Price of making detrimental criticisms of the manner in which the keeper carried on the work at the station, and with conducting himself in such a manner as to interfere with the existence of a harmonious condition among the keepers at the station. Price denied the charges, and both he and the keeper were advised by this office that both must work in harmony and that if there was any further trouble of such nature, the office would be obliged to take such action as appeared necessary, which, in all probability, would seriously effect their status in the Lighthouse Service.

By endorsement dated July 23,1913, the Bureau forwarded to this office letter from Sidney Williams, formerly second assistant keeper at Navesink Light Station, making various complaints against the keeper of that station, amongst them being the trouble which had occurred between Mr.Price and the Keeper. As Mr.Williams seemed to have full information in regard to charges brought by Mr.Price, action taken, etc.,it seems very evident that he could only have obtained this information direct from Mr.Price, thus proving that Price was assisting Williams in his attack on the Keeper,

On August 25,1913, Mr.Price was charged with neglect of duty in having permitted oil cup on one of the engines at Navesink to shut off, causing the crank pin bearing to become hot, thereby stopping the engine and extinguishing the light for a period of eight minutes, and with violation of the rules in not calling the keeper at the time of the trouble. As it was not considered that this was willful neglect on Mr.Price's part, he was cautioned that should he be guilty of any further neglect of duty, consideration would be given to taking more drastic action in his case.

By letter dated December 11,1913, the Keeper advised this office that at about 9 P.M. on December 9,1913, Mr.Price called him to the power house and that he found one of the engines disabled. The keeper gave certain orders to Price, which Price resented and stated he did not need any orders as to what to do. On December 12,1913 this office charged Price with failure to readily obey orders given by the keeper, and with conducting himself in an insubordinate and disrespectful manner towards the keeper. By letter of Dec.15 Mr.Price denied the charges, and stated that the statement of the keeper was false.

On January 20,1914 this office forwarded to the Bureau copies of correspondence re the charges of the Keeper, and recommended that, in view of the fact that Mr.Price seemed to be a source of trouble at Navesink Light Station, he be transferred to some other station as assistant keeper. This recommendation was approved under dated of February 7,1914 by the Department of Commerce, and on April 14,1914, it was recommended that Mr.Price be transferred to the position of second assistant keeper at Absecon Light Station,N.J.. The reason for the delay in transferring Mr.Price was that there was no position vacant to which he could be transferred prior to the vacancy which occurred at Absecon Light Station.

It is considered that the action taken in transferring Mr.Price to another station, which involved a reduction in pay, was justified by his conduct while at Navesink Light Station.

YATES

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
TOMPKINSVILLE, N. Y.

JHG

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHT
MAY 16 1914
HOUSES

GENERAL DEPOT
OFFICE OF INSPECTOR, 3D DISTRICT
TOMPKINSVILLE, N.Y.

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THOMAS J. SCULLY
3RD DISTRICT, NEW JERSEY

COMMITTEE
RIVERS AND HARBORS

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

WASHINGTON

5/13/14 - acknowledged.
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Dep. Commr,
Hydrog.
Engr. Cons.
Mar. Engr.

May 11, 1914.

Examiner.
~~Personnel.~~
Accounts.
Contracts.
Chf. Clk.
Commr.

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES ANSWERED MAY 21 1914 Copy 30 DEPT. OF COMMERCE

LIGHT MAY12 1914 HOUSES

LIGHT-HOUSE INSPECTOR 3D DIST. MAY 14 1914 RECEIVED KOMPKINSVILLE, N.Y.

LIGHT MAY16 1914 HOUSES

Hon. George R. Putnam,
Bureau of Lighthouses,
Department of Commerce,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Commissioner:

Enclosed herewith please find a communication from Mr. S. F. Phillips of Highlands, New Jersey, relative to the case of Second Assistant Keeper Price of the Navesink Lighthouse Station, which is self-explanatory.

I will thank you to give this matter your kind consideration and favor me with a report of the case as soon as practicable.

Thanking you for past favors, I am,

Very truly yours,
Thomas J. Scully

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington.
MAY 12 1914

To Light~~house~~ Inspector, Tompkinsville N Y
for remark and return.

Bowerman
Acting Commissioner.

Highlands NJ May 6 - 14

Hon. T. J Scully
Broadway
NY City

LIGHT
MAY12 1914
HOUSES

LIGHT
MAY16 1914
HOUSES

Sir:

Knowing you have taken an interest in the affairs of the Navesink Light-house I take the liberty of addressing you on this subject, respectfully calling your attention to facts which are unfair and unjust, if not illegal.

During Dec. 1913 one of the engines at this station became disabled Second Assistant Keeper Price on watch called Keeper Bishop who came to start up the spare engineand during this time Bishop claims Price was insolent and entered a complaint to this effect to the Light-house Department. In due time Price received the complaint with request for explanation. Price denied the charge (and as there was no witness it was a question of veracity between them) and handed reply to Bishop to forward as required by rules of Department: these rules also allow the Keeper to make endorsements as they wish to the assistants reply, which endorsement is not made known to the Defendant. In a seperate letter, Price reported the Keeper for neglect of duty in caring for river light that had been reported extinguished and also had proof of neglect.

No reply was received by Price to either letter until last week whenhe was informed that his statement had been forwarded to Washington and it had been decided to transfer him at first opportunity and there with ordered him to Absecon station at a salary of $455.00 per year a decrease of $76.00 from salary at this station

It does not seem possible, that it would take from December to May for the officials to arrive at this decision and why should he not have been informed of the decision at once? This would have saved him considerable work in his garden and expense in chicken yard etc.

I have known Price for 4 years and cannot speak too highly of him. He is honest, sober industrious and obliging man. For 2 years we have lived within 300 feet of him + family and have found them splendid neighbors and people we are proud to call friends; this is the reputation they bear wherever known excepting of course keeper Bishop and papers already handled by you speak for him. Bishops wife has told at least one family that "Price would be the next" and while they have been a long time at it they have succeeded at last, I sincerely believe the charge is simply a "frame up" for the purpose of having Price dismissed or transferred

Is it not a foct that a Civil Service man shall not be transferred to a lower salary without a fair investigation or hearing? This, Price has not had, and does not even know what endorsement Bishop placed on his reply to charges, yet is transferred and is prevented by rules from employing any outside help, but must accept the transfer, resign, or be dismissed: All of this too, under the Stars + Stripes, not Russia,

Is there anything that can be done in a case of this Kind? Price has gone to his new station but if the transfer is illegal I believe he would gladly return to this station if it was revoked and was assured fair treatment.

I believe I voice the sentiments of the entire town when I appeal to you on behalf of the men of this Light Station for fair play and if it would be of any assistance to you I believe could get vouchers for Mr Price from every

prominent citizen and offical of this town.

I might add that this station is one of the most desirable along the coast, not alone on account of location but salary is better yet there has been more transfers from here, either by request or forced, than from many of the undesirable places and I have not heard of one ass't Keeper that has a good word for the Keeper. Does not this point to the seat of the trouble? Surely all assistants are not undesirable.

Williams had authority to apply for any station in this district and applied for this station but apparently the application was ignored as the vacancy caused by Price's transfer has already been filled. It looks as if all Williams will get is his authority to apply for station

If you decide that this case is of sufficient importance to merit any action I sincerly trust you will give it your attention and if I can be of any assistance please command me at any time.

Just a word about myself and am through: for seventeen years have been employed as marine observer by the W. U. Tel Co. 13 years at Sandy Hook and 4 years at Highlands ~~W.U.~~ marine observatory. My father whom you have met was for 21 years a member of the Life Saving crew at Sandy Hook and was one of the crew, your Stn. Navigator, took to Atlantic City at time of stranding of Clyde line str Cherokee, so for last 17 years I have been associated with the LSS and L.H. service very closely and have a peculiar regard for these special branches of Govt service and it is this, with my knowledge of your interest in this Navesink L.H. station, coupled with my desire for fair play for the under man that urges me to impose upon you to this extent. I am quite sure any action you deem advisable will be appreciated highly in this vicinity

Sincerely yours

S. F. Phillips.

HRW-McC.

John J. Price,
transfer.

May 21, 1914.

Hon. Thomas J. Scully,
House of Representatives,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Congressman:

Referring again to your letter of May 11, 1914, inclosing one from Mr. S. F. Phillips, of Highlands, New Jersey, dated May 6, 1914, relative to the case of Mr. John J. Price, former second assistant keeper of Navesink Light Station and Shrewsbury River Lights, New Jersey, I have to advise you that before Mr. Price was transferred to the Absecon Light Station, New Jersey, his case was given thorough consideration, and in view of the fact that he proved to be a source of trouble at his former station it became necessary to transfer him to another station in the Third Lighthouse District, to which district Mr. Price is attached, and as no assistant keeper in that district receives as high a salary as Mr. Price received as second assistant keeper of the Navesink Light Station, the transfer necessarily involved a reduction in pay.

On May 27, 1912, charges were preferred against Mr. Price of having made detrimental criticisms in regard to the keeper at his station, and with conducting himself in such a manner as to create discord, and he was warned against further acts of like character. In July, 1913, evidence was discovered tending to show that Mr. Price was assisting the former second assistant keeper at the Navesink Light Station in an attack on the keeper. On August 17, 1912, Mr. Price permitted the oil cup on one of the engines to shut off, causing the stopping of the engines and the extinguishing of the light for a period of eight minutes.

As it appeared that Mr. Price was not willfully negligent, he was again merely cautioned. On December 12, 1913, he was charged with failure to readily obeyorders given by the keeper and with conducting himself in an insubordinate and disrespectful manner toward the keeper. As a result of this last occurrence of trouble at the Navesink Light Station, it was plainly evident that Mr. Price was a source of trouble at the station and for the benefit of the service it was decided to transfer him to another light station, in order to give him an opportunity to demonstrate whether or not he is capable of performing such prompt, efficient and cheerful service as would justify his further retention in the Lighthouse Service.

Respectfully,

Commissioner.

McC.

Bureau of Lighthouses,
May 21, 1914.

Referred to Lighthouse Inspector, Tompkinsville, New York, for the files of his office. See your report of May 14, 1914.
By direction of the Commissioner:

TSC

Chief Clerk.

Form 73

JHG

NOMINATION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHT HOUSE NOV 28 1914

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, 3rd DISTRICT,

Tompkinsville, N.Y., (City.) Nov. 27, 1914 (Date.), 191

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Action recommended, Promotion

Name, **John J. Price** Legal residence, **New York**

Position, **First Assistant Keeper** Salary, **$516.00 per annum**

Location, **Absecon Light Station, N.J.** Appropriation, **Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses**

Effective **December 11, 1914** (the actual date of entrance on duty, or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty.

Former position, Second Assistant Keeper Former salary, **$456 per annum**

Location, **Absecon Light Station, N.J.**

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

Previous incumbent, Knud Hanson ✓ Services terminated, **November 5, 1914** ✓

Reason, **Promoted**

Relatives in Government Service,

Remarks:

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

YATES

Secretary, Civil Service District.

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BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

NOV 30 1914

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.
Inclosed is a copy of the Third Inspector's letter of November 27, 1914, in this case which is concurred in by the Bureau.

Acting Commissioner

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

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ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
TOMPKINSVILLE, N. Y.

JHG

Nov. 30, 1914
Copy sent Dept

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

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

LIGHT
NOV 28 1914
HOUSES

GENERAL DEPOT
OFFICE OF INSPECTOR, 3D DISTRICT
TOMPKINSVILLE, N.Y.

Nov.27,1914

Commissioner.

Referring to nomination forwarded to the Bureau to-day recommending the promotion of John J.Price from the position of Second Assistant Keeper to that of First Assistant Keeper, at Absecon Light Station, N.J.

In explanation of this recommendation, in view of the fact that Mr.Price was transferred to this station to give him an opportunity to demonstrate whether or not he was capable of performing his duties in such a manner as to justify his further retention in the service, the Bureau is informed that during his period of service at Absecon Light Station, Mr.Price has performed the duties required of him in a satisfactory manner.

As Mr.Price has applied for this position in accordance with the regulations covering transfers and promotions of keepers and assistant keepers, and as his total period of service is far in excess of that of the few other assistant keepers who have also applied for the position, his promotion from 2nd assistant keeper to 1st assistant keeper is recommended.

Yates

GENERAL APPOINTMENT

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

LIGHT
DEC 4 1914
HOUSES

December 2, 1914.

Mr. John J. Price,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

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

First Assistant Keeper

in the Lighthouse Service

at a salary of Five Hundred and Sixteen dollars per annum,

effective on the date on which you enter upon duty in the above-mentioned position.

(By promotion from second assistant keeper at $456 per annum.)

E D Dec 28, 1914.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(SIGNED) CLIFFORD HASTINGS
Acting Chief of Appointment Division.

C-R

Appropriation: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

Vice: Knud Hanson.

Legal Residence: New York.

11—3692

DEC 4 1914

Department of Commerce and Labor

LIGHT HOUSE BOARD
MAY 28 1909
NO. 42

EFFICIENCY REPORT

(Read the instructions on the reverse side of this Form before attempting to fill it out.)

1. Bureau Third Light-House District. 2. Where employed New London Harbor L.S., Conn.
3. Name John J. Price 4. Where born Conn.
5. Age 42 6. Position Asst. Keeper.
7. Compensation $40 p.m. 8. When appointed (*a*) Nov. 1, 1902.
9. How appointed (*b*) From C. S. Eligible Register.
10. Appointed from — State New York; Congressional District First; County Suffolk
11. Status under Civil Service Rules (*c*) Classified Competitive
12. Is the employee an honorably discharged soldier or sailor? No
13. Other Government service
14. Duties (describe fully) Assisting in the attendance and operation of a light and fog-signal and incidental work connected therewith, including the cleaning and painting of station.
15. Efficiency — Quantity of work (*d*) 8; Quality of work (*e*) Good; Interest manifested in work (*f*) Good
16. Is this employee fully earning the salary he is now receiving? Yes
17. Remarks (*g*)

C. Thomas.
Head of Bureau or Office.
Captain, U.S.N., Inspector.

May 20, 1909

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READ THE INSTRUCTIONS ON PAGE 3

Department of Commerce and Labor

JAN 5 1912

S.H.

EFFICIENCY REPORT

JAN 2 1912

(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 John J. Price, 2. Age 44 (Last birthday.)

3. Bureau of Lighthouses 4. Position 3rd Asst. Keeper, Navesink and Shrewsbury River Lights, N.J.

5. Compensation $528 p.a. 6. Where employed Navesink & Shrewsbury River Lts. N.J.

7. When appointed (*a*) Nov. 1, 1902. 8. How appointed (*b*) Through Civil Service 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 None

13. Duties (describe fully) Assisting keeping lights, caring for station, cleaning, painting, etc. 1st order light,* and post lantern lights.

* Electric arc light.

14. Has the employee special qualifications? No If so, state them

15. Efficiency (*d*):

	Averages.	Relative weights.	Products of averages multiplied by weights.
Quantity of work	100	2	200
Quality of work	100	3	300
Interest manifested in work (see also Question 17)	100	3	300
Attendance		2	
Total		8 [illegible]10	800
Average percentage			100

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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.

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.)

Takes excellent interest

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.)

Pay received O. K. 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—

Wilders Verner
Asst. Supt. L.H.S.

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

C. D. Stearns,
Commander, U.S.N.
Inspector.

Chief of Bureau or Office.

Form 73

NOMINATION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHT HOUSES DEC 27 1915

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, Third DISTRICT,

Tompkinsville, N.Y. (City.) December 24,1915 (Date.), 191

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Action recommended, Increase in compensation

Name, John J. Price

Position, 1st Asst.Keeper

Location, Absecon Light Station,N.J.

Effective January 1,1916

Legal residence, New York

Salary, $540 p.a.

Appropriation, Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses

[1] the actual date of entrance on duty, or
as soon thereafter as he enters on duty.

Former position, 1st Asst.Keeper

Location, Absecon Lt.Sta.,N.J.

Former salary, $516 p.a.

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

Previous incumbent, John J. Price

Services terminated, Dec.31,1915

Reason, Increase in compensation.

Members of family in Government Service,

Remarks: In accordance with Bureau letter of Dec.17,1915

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

YATES

Secretary, *Civil Service District.*

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

DEC 27 1915

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

Acting Commissioner

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

11—2314

GENERAL APPOINTMENT—FIXED DATE

LIGHT
DEC 30 1915
HOUSES

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

December 29, 1915.

M. John J. Price,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

You have been appointed, subject to taking the oath of office, and to actual entrance upon duty (unless on authorized leave) on the date indicated, ~~First Assistant Keeper~~

in the ~~Lighthouse Service~~

at a salary of ~~Five Hundred and Forty~~ dollars per ~~annum~~,

effective January 1, 1916.

(By increase in compensation from $516 per annum.)

COD Jan 1, 1916.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

R
M

(SIGNED) CLIFFORD HASTINGS
Chief of Appointment Division.

Appropriation: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

Vice:

Legal Residence: New York.

11—1393

EK
Incl.

March 29, 1926.

SUBJECT: Bureau of Navigation, Navy Department letters March 26, statement of service, K. Hanson, W. Hardwick and J.J.Price.

Referred to Superintendent of Lighthouses, Staten Island, N. Y., for compliance. Submit report, in duplicate, by indorsement on the Navy's letter, stating whether vessel or station was transferred to jurisdiction of Army or Navy in accordance with Executive Order for the period in question.

J. S. CONWAY

Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses.

TPQ

In reply address not the signer of this letter, but Bureau of Navigation, Navy Department, Washington, D. C.
Refer to No. Nav-642-8-BCA.

NAVY DEPARTMENT
BUREAU OF NAVIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C.

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SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
MAR 30 1926
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TOMPKINSVILLE, N.Y.

26 March 1926.

From: The Chief of the Bureau of Navigation.

To: The Personnel Officer, Bureau of Lighthouse Service, Department of Commerce.

SUBJECT: PRICE, John Judson, USLHS.
Statement of Service.

1. It is requested that this Bureau be furnished with a statement of service of the above named man, in order that he may be credited with Adjusted Compensation.

2. In submitting application, date and place of birth is given as 9 January 1867 at New Brunswick, Canada and service is claimed at the Absecon Lighthouse Station from 1914 untill the present time. He claims to be still in the service.

3. Information is also requested as to whether Price was a member of the Naval Reserve while in the Lighthouse Service.

W. R. SHOEMAKER,
Chief of Bureau.

C. B. HATCH,
By direction.

WJL:FM Office of Superintendent of Lighthouses,
Staten Island, N. Y., 3rd District. March 31, 1926.

Returned to Bureau of Navigation, Navy Department, through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

John Price was not employed at any light station or on any lighthouse vessel that was turned over to the Army or Navy during the period of the war, and is not entitled to adjusted compensation by reason thereof. This office has no record of the membership of Mr. Price in the Naval Reserve.

J. T. YATES.

PERSONNEL CLASSIFICATION BOARD FORM NO. 14—FIELD QUESTIONNAIRE
(To be filled out in accordance with the instructions given in P. C. B. Forms Nos. 15 and 16)

1533

Bureau No. 1t. Sheet No. 3(b)3

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1. Price (Surname) John (Given name) J. (Initial)

2. Department Commerce
3. Bureau Lighthouse
4. Field service Lighthouse service
5. (a) Field station Absecon Light station
(b) Subdivision Third District
(c) City or town Staten Island State N.Y.

6. Pay roll title Assistant Keeper
7. Customary office title First Asst. Keeper
8. Present administrative allocation [illegible]
9. Present gross rate of pay $ 1500.00
10. Deduction for allowances $ 240.00
11. Net rate paid in cash $ 1260.00

12. Indicate by an "X" in the proper box or boxes the kind of allowances, if any, received by the employee:
☐ House ☐ Room
☐ Furnished ☐ Heat ☒ Fuel ☐ Uniform Meals per day: ☐ 1 ☐ 2 ☐ 3
☒ Unfurnished ☒ Light ☐ Laundry ☐ Subsistence or rations in kind

13. Describe any other allowance, privilege, or perquisite of value

14. If any special equipment or a bond is required by law or regulation to be furnished at the employee's expense, state kind and annual cost

15. (a) Regular hours of work: From See 18a. m. to m. (b) How many hours per week excluding unusual or irregular overtime work?
Summer Winter (c) If not a full time and all-the-year-round position, state number of hours per day
number of days per { week / month / year } (d) If certain hours of availability for duty, outside of regular working hours, are required, state hours and type of such duty

16. (a) Rate of pay for overtime None (b) Amount of overtime pay in last 12 months None

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21. Employee's education: Strike an "X" over the number representing the highest grade or year completed in each type of school:

Elementary								High				Normal				College				Postgraduate or professional				
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22. What length and kind of experience or other training did the employee possess upon original entrance into this position which was most qualifying or pertinent?
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Prepared and certified by John J. Price

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OCT 12 1928, 1928 — [illegible] — asst. Superintendent.
(Date) (Signature of Preparing Officer) (Title)

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OCT 22 1928, 1928 — H. B. BOWERMAN — Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses.
(Date) (Signature of head of bureau or his representative) (Title)

U. S. GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE: 1928

John J. Price

Keeper - Aberdeen - 3rd

Voluntary retirement

effective July 1/33 @

$971.95, after 30 yrs

service. Age 66.

Records to Dept.

Station being discontinued.

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Form 9.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

RETIREMENT UNDER ACT OF JUNE 20, 1918, AS AMENDED

(In case of disability retirement, execute medical certificate on Form 9a)

Date June 10, 1933

Superintendent of Lighthouses,

Third District

Staten Island, N.Y.
(City)

I hereby apply for retirement from active duty in the Lighthouse Service effective June 30, 1933, on the basis of service shown hereon.

(Sgd.) John J. Price
(Name)

1st Asst. Keeper,
~~Absecon Light Station, N.J.~~
(Designation)

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES

City Staten Island, N.Y. *Date* June 14, 1933

Submitted to Commissioner of Lighthouses, Washington, D. C., recommending retirement at $~~977.94~~ 971.95 (Amd) per annum, effective at the close of June 30, 1933

It is certified that the record of service and pay shown on Page 2 is correct as shown by the records of this office, and that all Government service shown has been verified.

J. T. YATES

~~J. T. YATES~~
Superintendent of Lighthouses.

JUN 16 1933

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES, *Washington, D. C.*,

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, recommending approval.

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W. P. HARMAN
Acting *Commissioner of Lighthouses.*

FOR USE OF DEPARTMENT

11—10551

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

RETIREMENT UNDER ACT OF JUNE 20, 1918, AS AMENDED

(In case of disability retirement, execute medical certificate on Form 9a)

Name John J. Price Date of birth Jan.9,1867

Designation 1st Asst.Keeper, Absecon Light Station,N.J.

RECORD OF ALL ACTIVE GOVERNMENT SERVICE

(Including military, naval, and civilian service. Each department, branch, or independent office in which applicant served in a civilian capacity should be listed separately)

	Beginning			Ending			Remarks
	Month	Day	Year	Month	Day	Year	
Army							
Navy							
Marine Corps							
Civilian employment							
3rd Lighthouse Dist.	Nov.	1	1902	June	30	1933	
Total service			30-Y, 8-Mos.				

Does applicant receive or has he applied for a pension from the Government under any law? No If so, give number of pension certificate or of claim:

Does applicant receive or has he applied for compensation under the War Risk Insurance Act? No If so, give number of claim:

Does applicant receive or has he applied for compensation under the Federal Compensation Act, as amended? No

If so, state the compensation received:

STATEMENT BY FISCAL YEARS OF BASIC PAY RECEIVED DURING LAST FIVE YEARS OF ACTIVE SERVICE IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING EFFECTIVE DATE OF RETIREMENT

(Compute service on basis of 30 days a month. Do not include periods of leave without pay, rations, quarters, or other allowance)

Designation	Beginning			Ending			Rate of Pay	Pay Received
	Month	Day	Year	Month	Day	Year		
								2527.00
3d Lighthouse	July	1	1928	July	2	1930	$1260	~~$2567.00~~
District	July	3	1930	June	30	1933	1320	~~3952.66~~ OK

Total compensation for last five years of active service (Bur) 6479.66 ~~6519.66~~

Average compensation for last five years of active service " 1295.932 ~~1303.93~~

Annual rate of retired pay ($ ~~1303.93~~ 1295.932 (Bur) × years 30 (Not exceeding 30) ÷ 40) = " 971.95 ~~977.94~~

U. S. GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE: 1931 11—10551

June 16, 1933.

Superintendent of Lighthouses, Staten Island, N.Y.

SUBJECT: Amendment of retired pay, Keeper John J. Price.

On Form 9 you show the amount of pay received by this employee for the period July 1, 1928 to July 2, 1930, at the rate of $1260 per annum, as $2567.00. It appears the correct amount of pay for this period should be $2527.00, and the Bureau has accordingly amended your computation. This change amends the computation of retired pay as follows:

Total pay last five years -	$6479.660
Average pay last 5 years -	1295.932
Retired pay - - - - - - -	971.950

For the Commissioner:

W. P. Harman
Administrative Assistant.

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COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES

WASHINGTON DC JUNE 26, 1933.

DISPATCH, PLEASE SEND
VIA SIGNAL CORPS, WAR

USLHE STATEN ISLAND NEW YORK

RETIREMENT KEEPERS KNUD HANSON JOHN J PRICE AND RICHARD E RAY

HAVE BEEN APPROVED

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

LIGHTHOUSES
1933 JUL - 3 - AM 9:57

June 28, 1933.

Mr. John J. Price,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of Section 6 of the Act approved June 20, 1918, and upon recommendation of the Commissioner of Lighthouses, the Department has retired you from active duty in the Lighthouse Service (Third District), with retired pay at the rate of $971.95 per annum, effective beginning July 1, 1933.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

EDW. J. GARDNER.

Chief of Appointment Division.

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July 8, 1933.

Mr. John J. Price,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Dear Sir:

The Department, under date of June 28, 1933, advised you of your retirement from the Lighthouse Service after serving in that organization for approximately 31 years.

The Department hereby extends to you its thanks for faithful service rendered over so many years, and entertains the hope that you may long enjoy the rest which you have so well earned.

Sincerely yours,

DANIEL C. ROPER

Secretary of Commerce.

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JUL 12 1933

Price, John J.

Form 1099
TREASURY DEPARTMENT
INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE

UNITED STATES
INFORMATION RETURN FOR CALENDAR YEAR 1940

INSTRUCTIONS TO PAYORS

Prepare one of these forms for each payee in accordance with the instructions on return Form 1096.

Do not include payments to non-resident aliens reported on Form 1042.

Forward with return Form 1096 so as to reach the Commissioner of Internal Revenue, Returns Distribution Section, Washington, D. C., on or before February 15, 1941.

Copy of this form as filed with the Government should be furnished to the employee whose income is reported in first column to assist him in preparing his income tax return.

TO WHOM PAID John J. Price, Kpr., Ret.
116 North Maine Ave.,
Atlantic City, N. J.

FILE W.C.

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(Full name and home address) (If employee is a married woman, name of husband should also be furnished)

KIND AND AMOUNT OF INCOME PAID

Salaries, Wages, Fees, Commissions, Bonuses (If single $800 or more, if married $2,000 or more)	Interest on Notes, Mortgages, etc.	Rents and Royalties	Other Fixed or Determinable Income	Foreign Items ($800 or more)	Dividends ($100 or more)
	($800 or more aggregate amount of above items)				
$ 971.88	$	$	$	$	$

[X] SINGLE
[ ] MARRIED

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BY WHOM PAID (Name and address) U. S. Coast Guard

(OVER)

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File BR

CIVILIAN PERSONNEL

Name: John J. Price, Keeper, Retired, Deceased

Address: 116 N. Maine Ave.
Atlantic City, N. J.

Pay Rate: $80.99
Tax 7.60
$73.39

Died: 2-13-44

(PMM)
CG-75

File 3-2 WQm

16 March, 1944

General Accounting Office
Claims Division
Washington, D. C.

Sirs:

Inclosed is the claim of Miss Frances V. Price, for the final pay due the estate of her father, John J. Price, Keeper, former Lighthouse Service now U. S. Coast Guard, Retired, who died 13 February, 1944.

Funeral expenses in the amount of $411.00 have been paid. A receipted funeral bill, signed by the undertaker who conducted the services, Jeffries & Keates, is inclosed.

This claim in the amount of $33.14 has been examined and is approved for payment. The appropriation to be charged is 1740910 Retired Pay, former Lighthouse Service, Coast Guard, 1944.

By direction of the Commandant.

Very truly yours,

J. R. HINNANT
Commander, USCG
Chief, Military Morale Division

Incls
1. Form No. 1055
2. Form No. 2661
3. Funeral Bill

WQm

BSJ:hrm return to 2-4

mjm.

File 3-2 WQh

(PMM)
CG-75

15 March, 1944

Miss Frances V. Price
116 N. Maine Avenue
Atlantic City, New Jersey

My dear Miss Price:

Your claim for the final pay due the estate of your father, John J. Price, Keeper, former Lighthouse Service now U. S. Coast Guard, Retired, has been approved and forwarded to the General Accounting Office for settlement.

As the Coast Guard has no further jurisdiction in the payment of this claim, it is suggested that in event of undue delay in settlement you contact the Claims Division, General Accounting Office, Washington, D. C.

By direction of the Commandant.

Very truly yours,

J. R. HINNANT
Commander, USCG
Chief, Military Morale Division

Incl.

U. S. COAST GUARD
MAIL SECTION (4)
MAILED MAR 16 1944

BSJ:hrm return to 2-4

WQh MJM

(PRM)
CG-75

file 3-14 B.C.

2 March 1944

Miss Francis V. Price
116 N. Maine Ave.
Atlantic City, New Jersey

My dear Miss Price:

Receipt is acknowledged of your card advising Headquarters of the death of John J. Price, Keeper, former Lighthouse Service now U. S. Coast Guard, Retired, on 30 June, 1933. Please accept my sincere sympathy.

At the time of death there was due the estate of John J. Price retired pay in the amount of $33.16. This retired pay ceases at death and there is no law providing for the continuance of payment of any part to dependents. The forms necessary to effect settlement of this final retired pay are herewith inclosed.

If there will be no legal representative to administer the estate, the next of kin or the person who paid, or will pay the funeral and burial expenses should execute the inclosed Form No. 1055, claim for final pay, in the presence of two witnesses and a notary public, taking care to answer all questions as checked by pencil mark. If a representative is appointed a copy of the Court Order showing the appointment should be attached to Form No. 1055. If the funeral expenses have been paid, a bill receipted by the undertaker who conducted the services should be forwarded. Otherwise the undertaker should sign the inclosed waiver form. This information is necessary to support the claim for the final retired pay.

When the inclosed forms have been completed, please return them to Coast Guard Headquarters, Washington, D. C.

By direction of the Commandant.

Very truly yours,

Incls
1. Form 1055
2. Waiver Form

J. R. HINNANT
Commander, USCG
Chief, Military Morale Div.

U. S. COAST GUARD
MAIL SECTION (4)
MAILED MAR 3 - 1944

M.J.M.

SSJ:bc
Return to 2-4

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

APPOINTMENT DIVISION

John J. Price (Name) — N. J. (Legal Residence)

STATUS

11—8040

DESIGNATION	ACTION	SALARY	BUREAU–SERVICE–STATION	DATE OF EFFECT
~~2d Asst Keeper~~	Appr. Law	$ 450	L.H. Montauk Point N.Y.	July 1, 1903
1st " "	From	500	" "	May 1, 1904
Asst Keeper	Transf	40pm	" New London Ct	May 3, 1909
3rd " "	"	528pa	" Navesink L.S. "	June 1, 1910
2d " "	From	552	" "	Oct. 25, 1912
2d " "	Trans	456	" Absecon L.S. N.J.	May 1, 1914
1st " "	From	516	" " "	Dec. 28, 1914
" " "	"	540	" " "	Jan. 1, 1916
" "	INCREASE IN COMPENSATION	720	" " "	Nov. 1, 1918
" "	Read of Pay	960	" " "	July 1, 1924
" "	"	1140	" " "	Feb 1, 1925
" "	INCREASE IN COMPENSATION	1200	" " "	July 1, 1925
" "	COMPENSATION Act May 28 1928.	1260	" " "	JUL 1 1928
" "	COMPENSATION Act July 3, 1930	1320	" " "	JUL 3 1930

Optional Retirement beginning July 1, 1933.
Annuity $971.95 pa.

7/1/39 Transferred from Bureau of Lighthouses, Department of Commerce, and consolidated with United States Coast Guard, under terms of Plan No. 2 of Reorganization Act of 1939, approved by Congress April 3, 1939.

File received - MAR 18 1940

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P. W. OCKENDEN — Asst. Superintendent.
(Signature of Preparing Officer) (Title)

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OCT 22 1928, 1928
(Date)

H. B. BOWERMAN — Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses.
(Signature of head of bureau or his representative) (Title)

U. S. GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE: 1928

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APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

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Respectfully,

CARDED

EDW. J. GARDNER. JUL 1933

Chief of Appointment Division.

APPOINTMENT DIVISION
ENTERED ON JOURNAL
JUL 22 1933
SHEET NO. 4309
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

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DANIEL C. ROPER

JUL 11 1933

Secretary of Commerce.

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Form 9

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RETIREMENT UNDER ACT OF JUNE 20, 1918, AS AMENDED

(In case of disability retirement, execute medical certificate on Form 9a)

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE JUN 19 1933 APPOINTMENT DIVISION

1933 JUN - 16 - AM 9:14 JUN - 17 - AM 9:48

Date June 10 1933

Superintendent of Lighthouses,

CHIEF CLERK

Third District

Staten Island, N.Y.
(City)

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE JUN 24 1933 APPOINTMENT DIVISION

I hereby apply for retirement from active duty in the Lighthouse Service effective June 30, 1933, on the basis of service shown hereon.

Optional at 65 after 30 yrs service

(30 yrs - 8 mos service)

John J Price
(Name)

1st Asst. Keeper,
Absecon Light Station, N.J.
(Designation)

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES

City Staten Island, N.Y. *Date* June 14, 1933

Submitted to Commissioner of Lighthouses, Washington, D. C., recommending retirement at $~~977.94~~ 971.95 (Corr)

per annum, effective at the close of June 30, 1933

It is certified that the record of service and pay shown on Page 2 is correct as shown by the records of this office, and that all Government service shown has been verified.

J.T. YATES
Superintendent of Lighthouses

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES, *Washington, D. C.*, JUN 16 1933

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, recommending approval.

6-19-33

C P Harman
Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses.

FOR USE OF DEPARTMENT

11—10551

Letter of

Chief Clerk

APPOINTMENT DIVISION NECESSARY ACTION TAKEN JUN 27 1933 DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

RETIREMENT UNDER ACT OF JUNE 20, 1918, AS AMENDED

(In case of disability retirement, execute medical certificate on Form 9a)

Name John J. Price Date of birth Jan. 9, 1867

Designation 1st Asst. Keeper, Absecon Light Station, N.J.

RECORD OF ALL ACTIVE GOVERNMENT SERVICE

(Including military, naval, and civilian service. Each department, branch, or independent office in which applicant served in a civilian capacity should be listed separately)

	Beginning			Ending			Remarks
	Month	Day	Year	Month	Day	Year	
Army							
Navy							
Marine Corps							
Civilian employment.							
3rd Lighthouse Dist.	Nov.	1	1902	June	30	1933	
Total service			30-Y, 8-Mos.				

Does applicant receive or has he applied for a pension from the Government under any law? No If so, give number of pension certificate or of claim:

Does applicant receive or has he applied for compensation under the War Risk Insurance Act? No If so, give number of claim:

Does applicant receive or has he applied for compensation under the Federal Compensation Act, as amended? No

If so, state the compensation received:

STATEMENT BY FISCAL YEARS OF BASIC PAY RECEIVED DURING LAST FIVE YEARS OF ACTIVE SERVICE IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING EFFECTIVE DATE OF RETIREMENT

(Compute service on basis of 30 days a month. Do not include periods of leave without pay, rations, quarters, or other allowance)

Designation	Beginning			Ending			Rate of Pay	Pay Received
	Month	Day	Year	Month	Day	Year		
								2527.00 (Bur)
3d Lighthouse	July	1	1928	July	2	1930	$1260	~~$2567.00~~
District	July	3	1930	June	30	1933	1320	3952.66
								6479.66
								1295.93

Total compensation for last five years of active service ~~6519.66~~ 6479.66 (Bur)

Average compensation for last five years of active service ~~1303.93~~ 1295.932 (Bur)

Annual rate of retired pay ($ ~~1303.93~~ 1295.932 (Bur) × years 30 ÷ 40) = ~~977.94~~ $971.95 (Bur)

(Not exceeding 30)

GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE: 1931 11—10551

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

July 3, 1930.

John J. Price

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

You are advised that under the Brookhart Act your compensation has been changed as indicated below, effective July 3, 1930.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

EDW. J. GARDNER,

Chief of Appointment Division.

APPOINTMENT DIVISION
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ON JOURNAL
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

CARDED

From: 1260

To: 1320

3rd Keeper

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

July 1, 1928.

Mr. John J. Price,

Through the Chief, Bureau of Lighthouses.

Sir:

You are advised that under the Welch Act your compensation has been changed as indicated below, effective July 1, 1928.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

EDW. J. GARDNER,

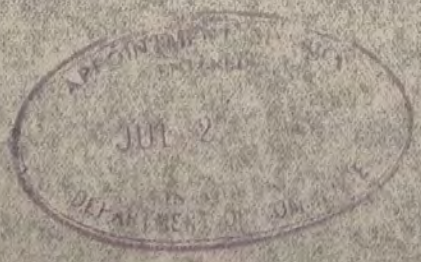
Chief of Appointment Division.

From: $1200

To: $1260

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CROSS REFERENCE

SEE FILE--464/16/D#1

NAME Price, John J. POSITION Keeper.

BUREAU BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES STATION 3rd 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	Subtracted
720	240	960	XCR	404.25	1364.25	LHS	3	1140			

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

approved - $1140

GRADE RECOMMENDED 4

RANGE OF COMPENSATION RECOMMENDED FROM $1020 TO $1260

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 None; annual cost, $

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

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

(b) High school; years ☐1 ☐2 ☐3 ☐4

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

(d) College: Name ; years ☐1 ☐2 ☐3 ☐4

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

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

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

	Percentage of total time given to each task
Assisting in operating illuminating apparatus, keep apparatus clean and in efficient order; care for buildings, keep them clean and in order, including painting and minor repairs; care for grounds.	100
18a. Not specified; stand watches; work equally divided; average 8 or less hours per day; Sundays, operation of light only.	

DO NOT WRITE IN THIS SPACE			
	a		
	b		
	c		
	d		

Price (Surname) John (Given name) J. (Initial)

2. Department Commerce
3. Bureau Lighthouses
4. Field Service Lighthouse Service
5. (a) Field Station Third Lighthouse District
   (b) Subdivision Absecon Light Station
   (c) City or town Atlantic City State N. J.
6. Pay-roll title Keeper
7. Customary office title 1st Assistant Keeper

8. (a) Number of regular working hours of the position, per day see 18a; per week 7 days
   (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 sunset to midnight to or midnight to sunrise.
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 $ 660.00 per annum; bonus, $ 240.00 per annum.
12. Rate of pay, exclusive of bonus, on January 1, 1923, $ 660.00 per " ; bonus, $ 240.00 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: X ☐ Quarters; ☐ 3 meals per day; ☐ 2 meals per day; ☐ 1 meal per day; X ☐ Subsistence or rations in kind; ☐ Uniform; ☐ Laundry; X ☐ Fuel; X ☐ Light; X ☐ Heat. If cash allowances are made for any of these items, state which items and the amounts per annum
    Subsistence $164.25 per annum
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 None; annual cost, $
17. Extent of employee's education. (Place an "X" in the box before the highest grade or year.)
    (a) Elementary school; years ☐ 1 ☐ 2 ☐ 3 ☐ 4 ☐ 5 ☐ 6 ☐ 7 ☐ 8
    (b) High school; years ☐ 1 ☐ 2 ☐ 3 ☐ 4
    (c) Business school; years ☐ ½ ☐ 1 ☐ 1½ ☐ 2 ☐ 2½ ☐ 3
    (d) College: Name ------; years ☐ 1 ☐ 2 ☐ 3 ☐ 4
    (e) Post graduate work: Kind ------; years ☐ 1 ☐ 2 ☐ 3
    (f) Correspondence courses: Kind ------; number of lessons ------; number completed ------

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

	Percentage of total time given to each task
Assisting in operating illuminating apparatus, keep apparatus clean and in efficient order; care for buildings, keep them clean and in order, including painting and minor repairs; care for grounds.	100

18a. Not specified; stand watches; work equally divided; average 8 or less hours per day; Sundays, operation of light only.

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

Works under the supervision of the keeper.

20. Do the duties involve direction or supervision of the work of other employees? Yes
If so, describe the nature of the direction or supervision and give the number and classes of employees directed or supervised.

General supervision of the work of the 2nd Asst. Keeper in the absence of the keeper.

21. How long have the employee's duties been substantially as described above? 9 years.

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

JUN 20 1923, 1923. (Date)

J. T. Yates (Signature of Preparing Officer)

Superintendent. (Title)

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

Impracticable to obtain signature on account of delay that would be involved.

(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		
Common School	X	

Technical Education: If essential, kind and extent

Experience: If essential, kind and extent Lighthouse apparatus, boating, gasolene engines, oil engines, painting.

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 $1300 to $1420

JUN 20 1923, 1923. (Date)

J. T. Yates (Signature of head of field office or station)

Superintendent. (Title)

GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE 2—12758

Form A-21

NOTICE OF CHANGE IN SALARY
KEEPERS-LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

June 25, 1925.

Mr. John J. Price,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

You are advised that your salary as keeper in the Lighthouse Service has been changed from $ 1140 per annum to $ 1200 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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APPOINTMENT DIVISION ENTERED JUL 25 1925 ON JOURNAL DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

January 31, 1925.

Mr. John J. Price,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

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

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

WM. J. GARDNER.

Acting Chief of Appointment Division.

APPOINTMENT DIVISION ENTERED FEB 4 1925 ON JOURNAL DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Position: Keeper.

Salary: $1140.

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

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FEB 4 - 1925

CARDED

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(CROSS REFERENCE)

Price John J. In accordance with authority of the Director of the Budget dated June 27, 1924, the salary is re-adjusted to $ 960, effective July 1, 1924.

For authorization see letter dated AUG 2 0 1924 File No. 1095/21.

Form 111

OATH OF OFFICE

(Prescribed by Section 1757, Revised Statutes)

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

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LIGHT DEC 3 1918 HOUSES

DEC 3 1918 CHIEF CLERK

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I, John J. Price,

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

John J Price
(Appointee signs here)

[2] Sworn (See below) and subscribed before me, this [3] 20 day of November, A. D. 1918

(Affix official seal here)

[4] (Name) Charles L. Farrow

(Official title) Notary Public State N Jersey

My commission expires May 14 — 1919

	Official Title	Rate of Pay	Name of Station, Vessel, or Place of Employment.
Present	Keeper	$720 p.a.	Absecon Lt.Sta., N.J.
Former [5]	1st Asst.Keeper	$540 "	do

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

Office of Lighthouse Inspector, 3rd District

Tompkinsville, N. Y. (Address), Nov 29/18 (Date)

The above-named appointee entered upon duty on Nov.1,1918 (Date)

Lt. Clk. 3rd Dist.

John J Price 1st Asst Keeper
(Signature, followed by title)

CARDED

[1] Insert here "swear" or "affirm," as the case may be.
[2] Insert here "sworn to" or "affirmed," as the case may be.
[3] The oath may be taken any time after the date of appointment and prior to the payment of compensation, but no compensation shall be paid until the oath is executed in proper form.
[4] This oath should be taken before a justice of the peace, notary public, judge, clerk of a court, a chief clerk in the office of a lighthouse inspector or other employee in the Lighthouse Service designated by a chief clerk, or any other officer having authority to administer oaths, but never before a collector of customs or postmaster, as neither officer has power to administer oaths in such cases. In case the officer administering the oath has no seal, his official character should be duly certified to by the clerk of the proper court or the proper county clerk, except in the case of chief clerks in the offices of lighthouse inspectors and other employees in the Lighthouse Service designated by them, who are not required to have a seal.
[5] Give this information in all cases where new oath is required.
Failure to fill out this oath properly will result in its return for correction.

11—944

GENERAL APPOINTMENT—FIXED RATE

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

November 9, 1918.

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

Sir:

You have been appointed, subject to taking the oath of office, and to actual entrance upon duty (unless on authorized leave) on the date indicated, Keeper in the Lighthouse Service at a salary of Seven Hundred and Twenty dollars per annum, effective November 1, 1918.

By promotion from first assistant keeper at $540 per annum.

(The above rate of pay includes longevity pay of $60.)

CARDED

OR BASIS OF THIS ACTION BE
DATED 10/10/18
1095/3

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(Signed) Clifford Hastings.

Chief of Appointment Division.

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Appropriation: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

Vice: New position. (By increase in compensation.)

Legal Residence: New Jersey.

USE TYPEWRITER—SEE INSTRUCTIONS ON BACK.

UNITED STATES
BUREAU OF EFFICIENCY.
FORM 8.

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

MAKE NO ENTRIES IN THIS COLUMN.

EIGHT OCT 4 1916 HOUSES

RECORD OF CIVIL EMPLOYEE.

JULY 1, 1916.

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

Price, John Judson

2. Department:

Commerce

3. Bureau, office, or service:

3rd Lighthouse District

4. Designation of position:

1st Assistant Keeper

5. Occupation (if not clearly shown by answer to question 4):

Assistant Lighthouse Keeper

6. Annual earnings:

540

7. Kind of appropriation:

LS

8. Present rate of pay:

AS

$

9. Initial rate of pay:

450

$

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

Substitute—		Regular—	
Years:	Months:	Years:	Months:
	13		8

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

Connecticut

12. Race:

W

13. Sex:

Male

14. Date of birth—

Month:

January

Year:

1867

15. Kinds of schools attended, years attended, and degrees taken:

E7

16. Marital condition:

M

17. War veteran?

No

18. Appointed from—

Congressional district and State:

1New York
~~2New Jersey~~

County:

Suffolk
~~XXXXXX~~

19. Civil service status:

C

20. Method by which classified status was obtained:

CE

21. Place of employment—

City:

Absecon Light Station
Atlantic City

State:

New Jersey

DO NOT FOLD THIS CARD.

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Form 111

OATH OF OFFICE

(Prescribed by Section 1757, Revised Statutes)

Department of Commerce and Labor

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

APPOINTMENTS JAN 18 1916 2,

LIGHT JAN 15 1916 HOUSES CHIEF CLERK JAN 18 1916

I, John J. Price

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

John J Price
(Appointee signs here)

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

(Affix official seal here)

[4] (Name) Lambert D Parker Jr.

(Official title) Notary Public.

OFFICIAL TITLE	RATE OF PAY	NAME OF STATION, VESSEL, OR PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT
Present 1st Asst. Keeper	$540 p.a.	Absecon Light Station, N. J.
Former [5] "	$516 "	do

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

CARDED.

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, Third DISTRICT

Tompkinsville, N. Y. (Address), Jany 14, 1916 (Date)

The above-named appointee entered upon duty on Jany 1, 1916 (Date)

J. J. Yates
(Signature, followed by title)

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

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

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

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

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

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

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GENERAL APPOINTMENT—FIXED DATE

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

December 29, 1915.

Mr. John J. Price,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

You have been appointed, subject to taking the oath of office, and to actual entrance upon duty (unless on authorized leave) on the date indicated, ~~First Assistant Keeper~~ in the ~~Lighthouse Service~~ at a salary of ~~Five Hundred and Forty~~ dollars per ~~annum~~, effective January 1, 1916.

(By increase in compensation from $516 per annum.)

APPOINTMENT DIVISION ENTERED DEC 29 1915 DEPT OF COMMERCE

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(SIGNED) CLIFFORD HASTINGS

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Chief of Appointment Division.

Appropriation: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

Vice:

Legal Residence: New York.

BALANCE REPORTED JAN 1916 C. F. COMMISSION.

11—1393

Form 73

NOMINATION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, Third DISTRICT,

Tompkinsville, N.Y., December 24, 1915, 191
(City.) (Date.)

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Action recommended, Increase in compensation

Name, John J. Price — Legal residence, New York

Position, 1st Asst.Keeper — Salary, $540 p.a.

Location, Absecon Light Station, N.J. — Appropriation, Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses

Effective January 1,1916 — {1 ~~the actual date of entrance on duty~~, or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty.

Former position, 1st Asst.Keeper — Former salary, $516 p.a.

Location, Absecon Lt.Sta., N.J.

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

Previous incumbent, John J. Price — Services terminated, Dec.31,1915

Reason, Increase in compensation.

Members of family in Government Service,

Remarks: In accordance with Bureau letter of Dec.17,1915

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

Secretary, *Civil Service District.*

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

DEC 27 1915

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

Acting Commissioner

1 Strike out the clause which does not apply.

11—2314

Form 111

OATH OF OFFICE

(Prescribed by Section 1757, Revised Statutes)

LIGHT DEC 30 1914 HOUSES

CHIEF CLERK JAN 7 1915

Department of Commerce and Labor

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

I, John J. Price

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

☞ John J. Price
(Appointee signs here)

APPOINTMENTS JAN 7 1915

[2] Sworn (See below) and subscribed before me, this[3] 22nd day of December, A. D. 1914.

(Affix official seal here)

[4](Name) [illegible]

(Official title) Notary Public of N.J.

Official Title	Rate of Pay	Name of Station, Vessel, or Place of Employment
Present 1st Asst. Keeper	$516 p.a.	Absecon Light Station, N.J.
Former 2nd Asst. Keeper	$456 p.a.	do

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

Office of Lighthouse Inspector, Third District

Tompkinsville, N.Y. (Address) December 29, 1914 (Date)

The above-named appointee entered upon duty on Dec 28, 1914 (Date)

CARDIFF

In the absence and by direction of Inspector.

(Signature, followed by title)

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

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

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

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

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

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

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GENERAL APPOINTME

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

December 2, 1914.

Mr. John J. Price,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

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

First Assistant Keeper

in the Lighthouse Service

at a salary of Five Hundred and Sixteen dollars per annum,

effective on the date on which you enter upon duty in the above-mentioned position.

(By promotion from second assistant keeper at $456 per annum.)

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

APPOINTMENT DIVISION ENTERED DEC 2 - 1914 ON JOURNAL DEPT. OF COMMERCE

CARDED

(SIGNED) CLIFFORD HASTINGS

Acting Chief of Appointment Division.

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Appropriation: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

Vice: Knud Hanson.

Legal Residence: New York.

CHANGE REPORTED DEC 1914 COMMISSION.

11—3692

COPY-WES.

Department of Commerce

Lighthouse Service.

General Depot
Office of Inspector, 3d Dist.
Tompkinsville, N. Y.

Nov. 27, 1914.

Commissioner:

Referring to nomination forwarded to the Bureau to-day recommending the promotion of John J. Price from the position of Second Assistant Keeper to that of First Assistant Keeper, at Absecon Light Station, N. J.

In explanation of this recommendation, in view of the fact that Mr. Price was transferred to this station to give him an opportunity to demonstrate whether or not he was capable of performing his duties in such a manner as to justify his further retention in the service, the Bureau is informed that during his period of service at Absecon Light Station, Mr. Price has performed the duties required of him in a satisfactory manner.

As Mr. Price has applied for this position in accordance with the regulations covering transfers and promotions of keepers and assistant keepers, and as his total period of service is far in excess of that of the few other assistant keepers who have also applied for the position, his promotion from 2nd assistant keeper to 1st assistant keeper is recommended.

(Signed) Yates.

Form 73 JHG

NOMINATION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, 3rd DISTRICT.

LIGHT HOUSES NOV 28 1914

Tompkinsville, N.Y., (City.) Nov. 27, 1914 (Date.) 191

CHIEF CLERK DEC 2 1914 5

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Action recommended, Promotion

Name, **John J. Price** Ef 100. Legal residence, **New York**

APPOINTMENT DIVISION DEC 2 1914 DEPT OF COMMERCE

Position, **First Assistant Keeper** Salary, **$516.00 per annum**

Location, **Absecon Light Station, N.J.** Appropriation, **Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses**

Effective **December 11, 1914** {the actual date of entrance on duty, or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty.

APPOINTMENTS DEC 2 1914

Former position, Second Assistant Keeper. Former salary, **$456 per annum** 10.00

Location, **Absecon Light Station, N.J.**

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

Previous incumbent, Knud Hanson Services terminated, **November 5, 1914**

Reason, **Promoted** Nov C. 14

Relatives in Government Service,

Remarks:

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

Yates

Secretary, Civil Service District.

JEL
One inclosure.

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

NOV 30 1914

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.
Inclosed is a copy of the Third Inspector's letter of November 27, 1914, in this case which is concurred in by the Bureau.

12-2-14

Acting Commissioner

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

11—2314

Form 111

OATH OF OFFICE

(Prescribed by Section 1757, Revised Statutes)

Department of Commerce and Labor

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHT MAY 12 1914 HOUSES

CHIEF CLERK MAY 13 1914

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I, John J. Price

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.

APPOINTMENT MAY 18 1914

John J Price
(Appointee signs here)

[2] Sworn (See below) and subscribed before me, this[3] fourth day of May, A. D. 191 4

(Affix official seal here)

[4] (Name) Jas. E. Jenkinson Jr.

(Official title) Notary Public of N.J.

	Official Title	Rate of Pay	Name of Station, Vessel, or Place of Employment
Present	2nd Asst. Keeper	$456 p.a.	Absecon Light Station, N.J.
Former[5]	2nd Asst. Keeper	$552 p.a.	Navesink Lt. Sta. & Shrewsbury River Lights, N.J.

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

Office of Lighthouse Inspector, Third District

Tompkinsville, N.Y. (Address), May 11, 1914 (Date)

The above-named appointee entered upon duty on May 1, 1914 (Date)

CARDED.

(Signature, followed by title)

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

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

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

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

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

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

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GENERAL APPOINTMENT

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

April 23, 1914.

Mr. John J. Price,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

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

~~Second Assistant Keeper~~

in the ~~Lighthouse Service~~

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

effective on the date on which you enter upon duty in the above-mentioned position.

(By transfer from second assistant keeper at $552 per annum.)

CHANGE REPORTED
MAY 1914
U. S. COMMISSION.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

CANCELED

(SIGNED) GEO. W. LEADLEY,
Chief of Appointment Division.

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Appropriation: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

Vice: Knud Hanson.

Legal Residence: New York.

APPOINTMENT DIVISION ENTERED APR 24 1914 JOURNAL DEPT. OF COMMERCE

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Form 73

NOMINATION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHT HOUSES APR 15 1914

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, Third DISTRICT,

Tompkinsville, N.Y. (City.) April 14, 1914 (Date.), 191

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

CHIEF CLERK APR 17 1914

Action recommended, Transfer and demotion

Name, John J. Price — Legal residence, New York

Position, 2nd Assistant Keeper — Salary, ~~$468~~ 456 per annum
Equalized Report $450

Location, Absecon Light Station, N.J. — Appropriation, Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses

APPOINTMENT DIVISION RECEIVED APR 23 1914 DEPT OF COMMERCE

Effective May 1, 1914 — {[1] ~~the actual date of entrance on duty,~~ or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty.

APPOINT APR 18 914

Former position, 2nd Assistant Keeper — Former salary, $552 per annum

Location, Navesink Lt. Sta. and Shrewsbury River Lights, N.J.

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

Previous incumbent, Knud Hanson — Services terminated, April 30, 1914

Reason, Promoted requested Done 4-16-14 [illegible]

Relatives in Government Service,

Remarks: Approval of this recommendation will not be in violation of Section 2 of Civil Service Rule 1.

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

Secretary, Civil Service District

HRW-McC.

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

April 16, 1914.

4-18-14

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

Attention is invited to Department letter of February 7, 1914, approving the Bureau's recommendation to the effect that Mr. Price be transferred to some station as assistant keeper at the first opportunity. See Bureau recommendation of to-day in the case of Theodore Judson.

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

11—2314

February 7, 1914.

Commissioner of Lighthouses:

Receipt is acknowledged of the Bureau's communication of the 31st ultimo forwarding letter dated the 20th ultimo, and enclosures, from the Inspector of the Third District in regard to the conduct of John J. Price, second assistant keeper of Navesink Light Station, etc., New Jersey.

The Department has carefully noted the correspondence in the case and has taken into consideration the fact that for some time in the past Mr. Price has made determined efforts to create dissention at the station. In view of the circumstances, therefore, the Department has approved the Bureau's recommendation to the effect that Mr. Price be transferred to some other station as assistant keeper at the first opportunity, it being noted that such change must necessarily involve a reduction in salary.

2-9-14

(SIGNED) E. F. SWEET

Assistant Secretary.

C-M

Department of Commerce and Labor
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
Washington

FEB 5 1914

February 5, 1914.

WROTE BUREAU
FEB 7 1914

The Assistant Secretary:

Attached hereto is letter dated the 20th ultimo, and enclosures, from the Inspector of the Third Lighthouse District, forwarded by the Bureau on the 31st ultimo, in regard to the conduct of John J. Price, second assistant keeper of Navesink Light Station, etc., New Jersey.

It appears from the correspondence in the case that on December 11, 1913, the keeper of the station, Robert A. Bishop, reported to the Inspector an act of insubordination on the part of Mr. Price. On the following day the Inspector embodied the keeper's report in formal charges which he preferred against Mr. Price. On December 15, 1913, Mr. Price addressed a letter of denial to the Inspector and made countercharges against the keeper.

An inspection of the records in Mr. Price's personal file discloses the fact that he is inclined to be insubordinate, and on September 26, 1913, he was reprimanded by the Bureau for neglect of duty.

Charges of a trivial nature have been repeatedly made by Mr. Price against the keeper, and he has been warned in the past by the Inspector that a continuance of such conduct would in all probability severely affect his status in the Lighthouse Service.

The Inspector also stated, in connection with another matter, as follows:

> "The present keeper is considered efficient and capable, and takes excellent care of his station. He has a hard station to maintain, located as it is in the center of a summer resort, and this office is of the opinion that a great deal of the petty troubles are caused by the influence of outside parties, who desire to make trouble for the keeper."

The Inspector accordingly recommends in his letter of the 20th ultimo that Mr. Price be transferred to some other station as assistant keeper at the first opportunity, in which recommendation the Bureau concurs, and in view of the circumstances it is suggested that the same be approved.

Clifford Harding

Acting Chief of Appointment Division.

APPROVED:

E. F. Sweet

Assistant Secretary.

C-M

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES

WASHINGTON

Caution.

November 5, 1913.

CHIEF CLERK NOV 6

Mr. John J. Price,
Second Assistant Keeper,
Navesink Light Station and
Shrewsbury River Lights, N. J.
Through 3rd Inspector, Tompkinsville, N. Y.

APPOINTMENTS 6

Referring to your letter of October 13, 1913 in regard to letter of caution which was addressed to you on September 26, 1913, for neglect of duty, in that you did not give proper care to the engine at the Navesink Light Station and Shrewsbury River Lights, New Jersey, on the night of August 17, 1913.

You are advised that a statement similar to that contained in your letter of October 13, 1913, made by you at the time of the investigation of the charges, and which covered practically the same ground as that under consideration, was given due weight and it is considered that the action taken in your case was justified by the circumstances.

The Bureau expects from you, as from all its employees, prompt, efficient and cheerful service, which is absolutely necessary for good discipline.

(Signed) G T Putnam

Commissioner

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington
NOV 3 1913

Submitted to Secretary of Commerce for his information.

Acting Commissioner.

October 27, 1913.

Commissioner of Lighthouses:

The Department is in receipt of copy of the Third Inspector's letter of the 17th instant, transmitting letter dated the 13th instant from John J. Price, second assistant keeper of Navesink Light Station and Shrewsbury River Lights, New Jersey, with regard to the action taken in the matter of certain charges recently preferred against him, and approves the Bureau's recommendation of the 23rd instant to the effect that it be authorized to address a letter to Mr. Price in regard thereto. It is suggested that he be advised that the prior statement made by him, and which covered practically the same ground as that under consideration, was given due weight; that the action taken in his case was considered justified by the circumstances; and that the Department expects from him, as from all its employees, the prompt, efficient, and cheerful service, which is absolutely necessary for good discipline.

(SIGNED) E. F. SWEET

Acting Secretary.

CH-M

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Lighthouse Service

General Depot
Office of Inspector, 3rd Dist.
Tompkinsville, N. Y.

Oct. 17th, 1913.

DIVISION OF APPOINTMENTS
NECESSARY ACTION TAKEN
OCT 27 1913
DEPT OF COMMERCE

CHIEF CLERK
OCT 25 1913
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Forwarded to Commissioner:

Correspondence pertaining to the charges preferred against Mr. Price has heretofore been forwarded to the Bureau.

It is considered that the spirit of attached letter shows a troublesome disposition on the part of Mr. Price.

APPOINTMENTS
OCT 25 13
7.00

(Signed) Yates.

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington, D. C.
October 23, 1913.

Submitted to Secretary of Commerce for his information.

The charges preferred against John J. Price, Second Assistant Keeper of Navesink Light Station and Shrewsbury River Lights, New Jersey, were carefully investigated before the Bureau submitted its recommendation that he be cautioned. It is considered that the action taken is justified by the facts adduced, and it is therefore recommended, that the Bureau be authorized to address a letter to Mr. Price advising him to the effect that the action taken was considered justified.

G R Putnam

10/27/13

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October 13th 1913



Navesink Light Station
and Shrewsbury River Lights. N.J.

Commissioner
(Through the Keeper & Inspector)
Sir:

Your favor of September 26th 1913, received a few days ago, and I fully note what you say in reference to the charges preferred against me by the Third Inspector on August 25th 1913, for neglect of duty in that I did not give proper care to the engine on the night of August 17th 1913, as a result that the light was extinguished for about eight minutes; and that I also violated the rules by not reporting the matter to the Keeper at that time.

In reply to same would say, on August 27th, 1913, I wrote the Inspector through the Keeper the following: Referring to Your charges of August 25th, 1913, I admit that the oil cup was shut off, causing the crank pin to become hot, which I might have done in wiping of cup without my knowledge, resulting the extinguishing

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
TOMPKINSVILLE, N. Y.

JHG

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHT JAN 21 1914 HOUSES

GENERAL DEPOT
OFFICE OF INSPECTOR, 3D DISTRICT
TOMPKINSVILLE, N.Y.

Jan.20,1914

FEB 3 1914

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Respectfully
FEB 1 1914
Commissioner.

DIVISION OF APPOINTMENTS RECEIVED FEB 1914 DEPT OF COMMERCE

APPOINTMENTS FEB 3 1914

The following correspondence re John J.Price, Second Assistant Keeper at Navesink Light Station and Shrewsbury River Lights, New Jersey, is enclosed for the Bureau's consideration:-

1. Letter dated Dec.11,1913 from Robert A.Bishop, Keeper.
2. Copy of letter of charges dated Dec.12,1913 to John J. Price, Second Assistant Keeper.
3. Letter dated Dec.15,1913 from John J.Price.
4. Letter dated Dec.15,1913 from John J.Price.

In view of the fact that Mr.Price seems to be a source of trouble at this station, as shown by this and previous correspondence, it is recommended that he be transferred to some other station as Assistant Keeper, at the first opportunity.

The approval of this transfer, which can be accomplished only by reducing the salary of Mr.Price, will not be in violation of Section 2 of Civil Service Rule I. There is no other station in this District where an assistant keeper receives as high a salary as Mr.Price receives at Navesink.

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington.
JAN 31 1914

Submitted to Secretary of Commerce recommended for approval.

Commissioner.

LIGHT HOUSE INSPECTOR 2d DIST. DEC 12 1913 RECEIVED TOMPKINSVILLE, N.Y.
LIGHT JAN 21 1914 HOUSES

Navesink, L.S.

Highlands, N.J.

Dec 11, 1913.

Inspector:-

On 9th ins't at about 9-P.M. I was called to the Power House by 2nd Ass't Keeper John J. Price, who was on watch, and found oil pipe leaking badly, which necessitated the use of the spare engine, which was done.

When the spare engine was started and the disabled one shut down, I was at the switch board attending the throwing of switches, and I called to Mr Price to be careful and see that everything with the engine was all right, oil cups, etc, and as he was doing something about the disabled engine told him to attend to the one in use. He came to me at the switch board much excited, and said, "This is my watch, and I don't need any orders as to what to do". Disrespectful, and showing his disapproval of my orders to him.

I had no argument with him, and desire that your office should be acquainted of the facts.

Richards

LIGHT
JAN 211914
HOUSES

FWO/RJC.

December 12th, 1913.

REGISTERED.
RECEIPT REQUESTED.

John J.Price, 2d Asst.Keeper,
(Through the Keeper,) Navesink Lt.Station,
Highlands, N J E W J E R S E Y.

The following charges are hereby preferred against you:

1. With failure to readily obey without question lawful orders given you by the Keeper of the Station on December 9th, 1913.

2. With conducting yourself in an insubordinate and disrespectful manner towards the Keeper of Navesink Light Station on December 9th, 1913.

Copy of letter of December 11th, 1913, from the Keeper of Navesink Light Station is enclosed for your information.

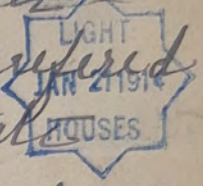
You are directed to submit any statement you may desire to make through official channels within three days from the receipt of this letter. Any statement made must be couched in temperate language, free from countercharges and confined to the point at issue.

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Asst Keeper Light Station
Highlands N J
Dec 15th 1913.





Inspector - Through the Keeper

In reply to the charges preferred by R. A. Bishop Keeper. I beg to state Dec 9th 13. at 8 40 P. M. the oil pipe was breaking on No 2 Engine. I started the primus lamp under the No 2 Engine then called out the Keeper. The Keeper then instructed me to call out the 1st Assistant; the No 2 Engine was working by 9 00 P. M. The Keeper then instructed me to shut down the No 1 Engine, which order I was carrying out when he again called to me to attend to the No 2 Engine

I went to the Keeper and replied in a quite and respectful manner as possible "The oil cups are full. the Engine is running alright. I cannot do more The Keeper is making a false statement in saying that I remarked -. "This is my watch and I dont need any orders what to do" The Keeper is always very excited when anything goes wrong at night, and is the only man that does the shouting and is disrespectful toward the assistants

LIGHT-HOUSE INSPECTOR
3D DIST.
DEC
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1913
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TOMPKINSVILLE, N.Y.

I dont dare to answer as he has made the remark before the 1st & 3rd Assistants "You will get yours in a few days"

Respectfully forwarded Price

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Navesink Light - Station
High lands N. J.
Dec 15th 1913

LIGHT-HOUSE INSPECTOR 2d DIST. DEC 18 1913 RECEIVED TOMPKINSVILLE, S.I.
LIGHT JAN 21 1914 HOUSES

Inspector - Through the Keeper

I beg respectfully to draw the Inspector's attention to the following

The Keeper and assistants received a letter Dated June 5th 1912. Signed L. Conover. Stating that the Keeper and all the assistants must perform an equal amount of work and watches, This order the Keeper has ignored. He does not do his share of the River work, or at the Station. The Keeper has not been over the River lights since Mr Luther was here with the pile driver. He does not take part in putting in or taking out the tanks or other Work. When he has gone; he has taken an extra assistant along to do his work, as he is incapable and cannot handle himself in the boat He will stand by giving orders and treating the Assistants more like Slaves than men. We dont dare to open our mouth

LIGHT-HOUSE INSPECTOR 2d DIST. DEC 31 1913 RECEIVED TOMPKINSVILLE N.Y.

LIGHT JAN 21 1914 HOUSES

or reply as we would be reported to the Inspector.

On one occasion the Keeper 1st Assistant and myself started for the No 1 Dike light as same was extinguished. A N. W. wind was blowing the Keeper when half way got scared and turned back, on reaching the Boat house it appeared to be calm, We then started a second time and when half way the Keeper again turned back put the boat in the boat-house and returned to the station.

After dinner the Keeper gave orders to the three Assistants to go to the No 1 Dike and get the light going, which we did, notwithstanding the fact that the Wind was stronger & the Sea worse as the tide was then running ebb.

I wish also to draw the Inspectors attention to the fact, that on Oct 2nd 13. the 3rd Assistant reported Lower Rocky Point light out.

The Keeper did not attend to this until Oct 3rd 13.

This is one of the most important lights on the River. I consider it serious neglect on the part of the Keeper, in allowing the light to remain extinguished for 24 hours after been reported

LIGHT-HOUSE INSPECTOR
2d DIST.
DEC
1913
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COMMERCE, N.Y.

These statements I can prove truthfull by witnesses

LIGHT
JAN 21 1914
HOUSES

Price

Respectfully forwarded

Brown

of the light for a period of about Seven minutes

Violation of rules in not calling the Keeper at time, beg to inform that we never had orders to do so since we received the new instructions, All previous orders and instructions in confliction with these orders are hereby revoked.

Referring to Mr Bishop's letter of August 19th 1913, I beg to inform that on August 17th 1913, at 2:20 A.M. I called the 1st Assistant and after that went up in the tower, turned over light and also wind clock. In doing this engine stopped. I ran to power house where I met 1st Assistant, found trouble, started engine and got light going in about Seven minutes.

At 8:05 A.M. the 1st Assistant told the Keeper, Mr Bishop, about light been out. the Keeper then asked 1st Assistant, why he did not call him. 1st Assistant answered that he heard Mr & Mrs Bishop, talking upstairs, when he passed through the hall.

The Keeper then gave us the orders for the first time, since the new instruction was received at this station, to call him if any trouble at night.

I much regret that I should be considered

Guilty of neglect of my duties. I assure the Department that it is my greatest aim to perform the duties that are inbolved upon me.

You will note that the Keeper's statements and mine are not the same. I am in a position and do solemly affirm that my statements are correct. I would like to have an investigation that the Keeper may prove the charges + that he unjustly made against me.

I assure you it is humiliating to me or anyone else to have false charges made without a chance to clear myself. The Keeper has threatened (and I can prove it) that 1st, + 2nd Assistant dare not make any complaint to the Inspector, under the threat that they will be dismissed from the service Commissioner; all I ask for is fair play. Had the Keeper instructed me to have called him in case of trouble, prior to this accident, I certainly would have done so, but not having received any instructions at that time, and when this accident happened it was on the change of watches, and my first thought

was to get the engine started and the light going as quickly as possible. Where had I called the Keeper, the light would have been out at least twenty or thirty minutes, as the vaporizer would have cooled off, and I would have had to heat the lamp. In an immergency like that I thought it was my duty to get the light going as quickly as possible, as I was held responsible during my watch. I have gone into this in great length. but I felt that I should do so, in order to make matters clear. I feel that when the Keeper said I violated the rules in not calling him, he is doing me a great injustice, as I have said before at this time, we had never received from him such instructions, and furthermore. I have obeyed the Keeper in all the orders he has given me.

I do think that if any one has violated the rules, it is the Keeper, to be awake in the House, light out engine stopped, and not coming out to see what the trouble is. It seems an impossibility for the Keeper to be awake and not knowing the trouble as his

quarters face the power house and tower, and as the engines are only a short distance from his quarters and making considerable noise, it seems almost an other impossibility

Trusting that you will give this your careful consideration in and comparison with other reports.

Respectfully, forwarded to 3rd Lighthouse Inspector,

Robt A. Price

Keeper.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES

WASHINGTON

HNW-HHV.

John J.Price,
caution.

Copy

September 26, 1913.

CHIEF CLERK
SEP 30 1913

Mr. John J. Price,
Second Assistant Keeper of Navesink Light Station
and Shrewsbury River Lights, New Jersey.
(Through Third Inspector.)

APPOINTMENTS
OCT 1 1913

Referring to the charges preferred against you by the Third Inspector, on August 25, 1913, for neglect of duty, in that you did not give proper care to the engine on the night of August 17, 1913, as the result of which the light was extinguished for about eight minutes; and, also, that you violated the rules by not reporting the matter to the keeper at the time of its occurrence.

The Bureau regrets your delinquencies in this matter, and cautions you that should you be guilty of any further neglect of duty consideration will be given to taking more drastic action in your case.

The fact that you have been cautioned will be noted on the records of the Department, the Bureau, and those of the Inspector, as a part of your official history.

(Signed)
G T Putnam
Commissioner.

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington
SEP 27 1913

Submitted to Secretary of Commerce for his information.

Acting Commissioner.

September 22, 1913.

Commissioner of Lighthouses:

The Department is in receipt of the Third Inspector's letter of the 11th instant, and enclosures, relative to the charges preferred against John J. Price, second assistant keeper of Navesink Light Station and Shrewsbury River Lights, New Jersey, for neglect of duty in that he did not give proper care to the engine on the night of August 17, 1913, as the result of which the light was extinguished for about eight minutes, and also that he violated the rules by not reporting the matter to the keeper at the time of its occurrence.

As it appears that Mr. Price was not guilty of willful neglect, the Department approves the Bureau's recommendation of the 17th instant to the effect that he be addressed a letter of caution, it being noted that a copy of the same will be furnished the Department for its files.

[illegible] Albert Lee Hartman

Acting Secretary.

C-M

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
TOMPKINSVILLE, N. Y.

Department of Commerce and Lab
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

GENERAL DEPOT
OFFICE OF INSPECTOR, 3D DISTRICT
TOMPKINSVILLE, N.Y. SEP 12 1913
BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
DEPT OF COMMERCE
CHIEF CLERK
SEP 18 1913

FWC/EJC.

September 11th, 1913.

Commissioner:

The following correspondence is forwarded herewith for the Bureau's consideration:

1. Letter of August 17th, 1913 from the keeper of Navesink Light Station.

2. Copy of letter of August 19th, addressed to the Keeper of Navesink Light Station.

3. Letter of August 21st from the Keeper of Navesink Light Station.

4. Copy of letter of August 25th addressed to John J.Price, 2nd Asst.Keeper, Navesink Light Station.

5. Letter of August 27th, received from John J.Price.

6. Letter of August 28th, received from the Keeper of Navesink Light Station.

It is considered that Mr. Price was negligent in permitting the oil cup on engine to be shut off, which caused the crank pin bearing to become hot, which stopped the engine and resulted in extinguishing the light. Also by reason of his failure to notify the Keeper of the Station that the light was extinguished, it being the first duty of an Assistant Keeper to notify the Keeper of a Station in the event of break down or stopping of machinery or extinguishment of the light.

CHIEF CLERK
SEP 18 1913
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John J. ✓

It is recommended that Mr. Price be cautioned against a re-occurence of this character and informed that such will necessitate more drastic disciplinary measures.

DIVISION OF APPOINTMENTS
NECESSARY ACTION TAKEN
SEP 22 1913
DEPT OF COMMERCE

2nd Asst. Kpr $552.,
Navesink L.S. and Shrewsbury River Lights, N. J.

APPOINTMENTS
SEP 18 1913
4-05

September 17, 1913.

HRM
Let me know rez

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce for his information and with statement that the Bureau concurs in the recommendation of the Inspector above. A copy of the caution will be submitted to the Department if this recommendation is approved.

S. Conway
Acting Commissioner.

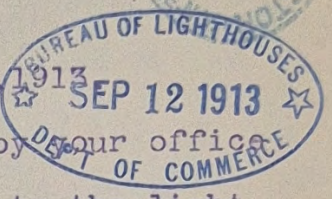
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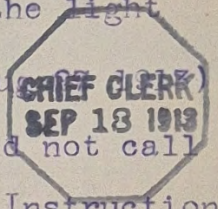


Navesink, L.S.

Highlands, N.J.



Inspector:- August 28, 1913



Referring to answer of charges made by your office against 2nd Ass't Keeper John J.Price, relative to the light being extinguished through his carelessness, etc; (August 23rd)

Mr Price states in his answer that he did not call me because all orders previous to the new "Book of Instructions" were countermanded, but every Keeper that has been at this station has been given that order by the Keeper.

There is a disposition on his part to ignore any orders given by the Keeper, and he complains when called upon to perform some duty that he considers unnecessary, making such complaints in the presence of all Keepers, such actions being detrimental to good discipline, and good services.

On July 6th 1913 (Sunday) the tower was not in good condition, caused by the many persons visiting the previous day, and I ordered the Keepers to go with me and clean the same, a matter of 15 minutes work. Mr Price complained about being called upon to perform any work on Sunday, and in the presence of all Keepers said it was the first time that he was called on to work on Sunday. Mr Price is lacking in zeal, takes no interest in his work, is disrespectful at times when addressing the Keeper, and such actions are detrimental to good services.

Richards

Wm Ackenfels
serve about
this

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Navesink Light-Station
Highlands N.J.
Aug 27th 1913

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
SEP 12 1913
DEPT OF COMMERCE

CHIEF CLERK
SEP 18 1913

Inspector:-

(Through The Keeper)

Referring to your charges of August 25th 1913. I admit oil cup was shut off causing crank pin bearing to become hot, which I may have done in wiping of cup without my knowledge, resulting extinguishing the light for a period of Seven minutes.

Violation of rules in not calling the Keeper at the time of trouble, I beg to inform you, that we never had Orders from the Keeper to do so since we received the new instructions, which read all previous orders or instructions in conflict with this general instruction are hereby revoked.

Referring to Mr Bishops letter of August 19th 1913. I beg to inform You that on August 17th 2.20 A. M. I called Mr Anderson and after went up in tower to turn over lamp, and also wind Clock. In doing this engine Stoped, I run to Powerhouse where I met Mr Anderson, found trouble, started engine and got light going again, in Seven minutes.

At 8.00 A.M. Mr Anderson told Mr Bishop. about light been out. Mr Bishop then asked Mr Anderson, why he did not call him. Mr Anderson answered that he heard Mr & Mrs Bishop talking upstairs when he passed through the Hall.

Mr Bishop then gave us the orders for the first time, since the new instruct-ions was received at this station. to call him if any trouble at night

Respectfully forwarded

Price

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REGISTERED
MAIL

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
SEP 12 1913
DEP'T OF COMMERCE

August 25, 1913

John J. Price, 2nd Assistant Keeper,
Through the Keeper,
Navesink Light Station,
Highlands, N.J.

You are hereby charged with neglect of duty in having permitted oil cup on engine to be shut off causing crank pin bearing to become hot, thereby stopping the engine and resulting in extinguishing the light for a period of eight minutes, at 2:25 A.M. on August 17,1913 at Navesink Light Station,N.J., also with violation of rules in not calling the Keeper at the time of the trouble. A copy of letter from Keeper Bishop is attached herewith.

You are directed to submit any statement you may desire to make, through official channels, within three days from the receipt of this letter. Any statement made must be couched in temperate language, free from countercharges and confined to the point at issue.

If you desire to make no statement, you will so state in writing.

YATES

Navesink, L.S. Highlands, N.J.

August 21, 1913.

Inspector:-

Referring to your letter of August 19, 1913, regarding hot bearing of crank pin, etc.

Mr Price called his relief at 2-20 A.M., and went to the tower to wind the clock, previous to turning the watch over to the 1st Ass't at 2-30 A.M.

When he came from the tower about 2-25, the engine slowed down, stopped. The 1st Ass't who was preparing to take the watch, heard the engine slow down and stop, came out found the trouble was a hot pin, and succeeded in starting the engine, cooled off the pin, the engine running through the night.

In reply to why I was not called, Mr Price said he had called Mr Andersen, and did not have time to do so.

Mr Andersen says that he heard talking in my quarters when he passed through the hall, and supposed I was aware of light being out.

There is no doubt that the cause of the hot pin was the oil cup being shut off, and so reported by Mr Andersen when he came to the power house, carelessness, and negligence on the part of Mr Price.

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
SEP 12 1913
DEPT OF COMMERCE
CHIEF CLERK
SEP 18 1913

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August 19th, 1913.

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
SEP 12 1913
DEPT OF COMMERCE

CHIEF-CLERK
SEP 13 1913

Bishop, Keeper,
Navesink Light Station,
Highlands, N.J.

Referring to your letter of August 17th, 1913, re light being extinguished:

Inform this office if the heating of crank pin was due to any negligence on the part of Asst.Keeper Price, also if he stated any reason for not calling you when the crank pin became hot.

YATES

Inspty

LIGHT-HOUSE INSPECTOR 2d DIST. AUG 19 1913 RECEIVED POUGHKEEPSIE, N.Y.

Navesink, L.S. Highlands, N.J.

August 17, 1913.

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES SEP 12 1913 DEPT OF COMMERCE

CHIEF CLERK SEP 13 1913

Inspector:-

To conform to the orders of your office, I have to report that the light at this station was out for a period of ~~seven~~ minutes, as reported by the Ass't Keeper on watch.

The Keeper was not called, that fact being contrary to the written orders of the Dep't.

The occasion of the extinguishing of the light was caused by the crank pin of engine being hot, the same slowing down and stopping.

The time about 2.25 A.M. of this date, the Keeper on duty 2nd Ass't John J. Price.

Respectfully

ask. keeper if heating of crank pin was due to any neglect, on part of asst keeper, also if asst. gave any reason for his not calling the keeper

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Form 111

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BUREAU OF LIGHT-HOUSES
OCT 31 1912
DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

OATH OF OFFICE

(Prescribed by Section 1757, Revised Statutes)

Department of Commerce and Labor

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

Carded in the Disbursing Office

I, John J. Price

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

John J Price
(Appointee signs here.)

[2] Sworn (See below.) and subscribed before me, this[3] 21st day of October, A. D. 191

(Affix Official seal here.)

[4](Name) [illegible]

(Official title) Notary Public

Official Title.	Rate of Pay.	Name of Station, Vessel, or Place of Employment.
2nd Assistant Keeper	$552. p.a.	Navesink Light Station and Shrewsbury River Lights, N.J.

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

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DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

Office of Lighthouse Inspector, 3rd District

Tompkinsville, N.Y., Oct 30/12
(Address.) (Date.)

The above-named appointee entered upon duty on Oct 20/1912
(Date.)

Formerly 2nd Asst. Keeper, Navesink Lt. Sta. & Shrewsbury River Lights, N.J., at $528. per annum.

[illegible]
(Signature, followed by title.)

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

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

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

[4] This oath should be taken before a justice of the peace, notary public, judge, clerk of a court, 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.

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

GENERAL APPOINTMENT

Department of Commerce and Labor
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
Washington

October 16, 1912.

M
r. John J. Price,
Through
the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

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

Second Assistant Keeper

in the Lighthouse Service

at a salary of Five Hundred and Fifty-two dollars per annum,

effective on the date on which you enter upon duty in the above-mentioned position.

(By promotion from third assistant keeper at $528 per annum.)

CARDED

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(SIGNED) H. C. SHELDEN

Chief of Appointment Division.

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Acting

Appropriation:
Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

Vice
Sidney Williams.

Legal Residence:
New York.

APPOINTMENT DIVISION RECEIVED OCT 16 1912

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Form 73 ORIGINAL APPOINTMENT, PROMOTION, OR TRANSFER OF APPOINTEE

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Department of Commerce and Labor

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, Third DISTRICT,

Tompkinsville, N.Y.

October 14, 1912 .191

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES OCT 15 1912 DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

The following recommendation is submitted:

Action proposed, Promotion

Name, John J. Price 100% Legal residence, New York

Position, 2nd Assistant Keeper Salary, $552 per annum

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF CLERK RECEIVED OCT 16 1912 DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

Location, Navesink Light Station, N.J. & Shrewsbury River Lights, N.J.

Effective as soon thereafter as he enters on duty.
October 25, 1912 or ~~on the actual date of entrance on duty.~~

CHIEF CLERK FORWARDED TO OCT 16 1912 APPTS. COMMERCE AND LABOR

Former position, 3rd Assistant Keeper Former salary, $528 per annum

Location, Navesink Light Station, N.J. & Shrewsbury River Lights, N.J.

Rank in list of eligibles, Rating, Percentage,

Other eligibles considered,

APPOINTMENT DIVISION RECEIVED OCT 16 1912 DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

Letters of declination inclosed,

9.27

Previous incumbent, Sidney Williams Services terminated, On receipt of notice of his dismissal. (Dept. letter Oct. 10-12)

Reason, Dismissed

Remarks: Payable from "Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses"

10/16/12 MCb

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Department of Commerce and Labor

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES

WASHINGTON

OCT 15 1912

Respectfully submitted to the Secretary of Commerce and Labor, approved.

APPOINTMENT DIVISION APPOINTMENT WRITTEN OCT 16 1912 DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

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Acting Commissioner

READ THE INSTRUCTIONS ON PAGE 3

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Department of Commerce and Labor

JAN 4 1912

EFFICIENCY REPORT

JAN 2 1912

(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 John J. Price, 2. Age 44 (Last birthday.)

3. Bureau of Lighthouses 4. Position 3rd Asst. Keeper, Navesink and Shrewsbury River Lights, N.J.

5. Compensation $528 p.a. 6. Where employed Navesink & Shrewsbury River Lts. N.J.

7. When appointed (a) Nov. 1, 1902. 8. How appointed (b) Through Civil Service 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 None

13. Duties (describe fully) Assisting keeping lights, caring for station, cleaning, painting, etc. 1st order light,* and post lantern lights.

* Electric arc light.

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14. Has the employee special qualifications? No If so, state them

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15. Efficiency (d):

	Averages.	Relative weights.	Products of averages multiplied by weights.	
Quantity of work	100	2	200	
Quality of work	100	3	300	
Interest manifested in work (see also Question 17)	100	3	300	
Attendance		x2		
Total		8 ~~10~~	800	
Average percentage			100	✓

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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.

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.)

Takes excellent interest ✓

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.)

Pay received O. K. 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—

Wilders Verner

Asst. Supt. L.H.S.

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

C. D. Stearns.

Commander, U.S.N.
Inspector.

G. T. Putnam Commissioner

Chief of Bureau or Office.

11—4259

Form 111

OATH OF OFFICE

(PRESCRIBED BY SECTION 1757, REVISED STATUTES)

LIGHT HOUSE BOARD
JUN 15 1910
No. 666

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF CLERK
RECEIVED
JUN 16 1910
DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

Enclosure.

Department of Commerce and Labor

LIGHT-HOUSE ESTABLISHMENT

I, John J. Price

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

John J Price
(Appointee signs here.)

[b] Sworn (See below.) and subscribed before me, this 13 day of June, A. D. 1910

(Affix official seal here.)

[c] (Name:) Charles J Maison

(Official title:) Notary Public

Official Title.	Pay.	Name of Station.	State or Country in which born.	State or Territory from which last appointed.
3rd Asst. Keeper in the L.H.Service	$528.per annum	Navesink L.S. & Shrewsbury River Lights, New Jersey	Conn.	N.Y.

(The above should be filled in by the district officer.)

Office of the Inspector, 3rd Light-House District,

Tompkinsville, N.Y. (Address.), JUN 14 1910 (Date.)

The above-named appointee entered upon duty on June 1, 1910 (Date.)

(Signed:) R. M. Doyle

Captain, U.S.N., Inspector.

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF CLERK
FORWARDED
JUN 16 1910
TO APPOINTMENTS
DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

[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.

CARDED

NOTE CAREFULLY.

The oath may be taken any time prior to the payment of compensation, but no compensation should be paid until the oath is executed in proper form.

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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GENERAL APPOINTMENT

Department of Commerce and Labor
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF CLERK
Washington

5559

May 10, 1910.

Sir:

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

Keeper of Navesink Light-Station and Shrewsbury River Lights, New Jersey,

in the Light-House Service,

at a salary of Five Hundred and Twenty-eight dollars per annum,

effective beginning May 10, 1910, or as soon thereafter

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

(vice Sidney Williams.)

(By transfer from Assistant Keeper of New London Harbor Light-Station, Connecticut, at 540 per annum.)

CHANGE REPORTED
MAY 11 - 1910
U.S. COMMISSION

APPOINTMENT DIVISION
REPORTED
MAY 10 1910
TO DISBURSING CLERK
DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

By direction of the Secretary.

Respectfully,

CARDED.

A. N. Ballenger

Chief Clerk.

Mr. John J. Friese.

Through the Light-House Board.

Appropriation:
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Form 73 ORIGINAL APPOINTMENT, PROMOTION, OR TRANSFER OF EMPLOYEE

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
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DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

Department of Commerce and Labor

LIGHT-HOUSE ESTABLISHMENT

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Office of the Inspector, Third L. H. Dist.,
Tompkinsville, New York.

DIVISION OF APPOINTMENTS
RECEIVED
MAY 9 1910
4:00 P.M.
DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

April 26, 1910.
(Date)

The Light-House Board,

Washington, D. C.

Sirs: I have the honor to recommend the (1) transfer
(Probationary appointment, transfer, promotion, etc.)
of (2) John J. Price of (3) N.Y.
(Name of person—letter for letter—as reported to Board) (State of legal residence)
from (4) Assistant Keeper,
(Official title of present position, as Keeper, First Assistant Keeper, etc.)
at (5) New London Harbor Light-Station, Conn.
(Official name of aid, as given in Light List, as Absecon Light-Station, N. J.)
at (6) $40 per month to (7) Third Assistant Keeper,
(Salary now paid) (Official title of position, as Keeper, First Assistant Keeper, etc.)
at (8) Navesink Light-Station and Shrewsbury River Lts, N. J. at
(Official name of aid, as given in Light List, as Absecon Light-Station, N. J.)
(9) $~~44 per mo.~~ $528 per annum, effective beginning (10) May 6, 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) Sidney Williams
(State name of *last* person holding position)
who (12) was promoted on (13) March 10, 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,

R. M. Doyle

Captain U.S.N.,
Inspector.

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Department of Commerce and Labor

LIGHT-HOUSE BOARD

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
FORWARDED
MAY 9 1910
DIVISION OF APPOINTMENTS
DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

May 7, 1910., ~~190~~

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

DIVISION OF APPOINTMENTS
APPOINTMENT WRITER
MAY 10 1910
DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

W. P. Gaperton

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

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Department of Commerce and Labor

LIGHT HOUSE BOARD
MAY 28 1909
NO.

EFFICIENCY REPORT

(Read the instructions on the reverse side of this Form before attempting to fill it out.)

1. Bureau Third Light-House District. 2. Where employed New London Harbor L.S., Conn.
3. Name John J. Price 4. Where born Conn.
5. Age 42 6. Position Asst. Keeper.
7. Compensation $40 p.m. 8. When appointed (a) Nov. 1, 1902.
9. How appointed (b) From C. S. Eligible Register.
10. Appointed from — State New York; Congressional District First; County Suffolk
11. Status under Civil Service Rules (c) Classified Competitive
12. Is the employee an honorably discharged soldier or sailor? No
13. Other Government service None (Card record)
14. Duties (describe fully) Assisting in the attendance and operation of a light and fog-signal and incidental work connected therewith, including the cleaning and painting of station.
15. Efficiency — Quantity of work (d) 8; Quality of work (e) Good; Interest manifested in work (f) Good
16. Is this employee fully earning the salary he is now receiving? Yes
17. Remarks (g)

O.R.

CARDED

C. Thomas.
Head of Bureau or Office.
Captain, U.S.N., Inspector.

CAPTAIN, U. S. N.
NAVAL SECRETARY

May 20, 1909

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Enclosure.

Form 111

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF CLERK RECEIVED MAY 22 1909 DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

LIGHT HOUSE BOARD MAY 20 1909 NO. 5369

OATH OF OFFICE

(PRESCRIBED BY SECTION 1757, REVISED STATUTES)

Department of Commerce and Labor

LIGHT-HOUSE ESTABLISHMENT

I, John J. Price

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

John J Price
(Appointee signs here.)

[b] Sworn to (See below.) and subscribed before me, this 18 day of May, A. D. 190 9.

(Affix official seal here.)

[c] (Name:) Reuben Lord

(Official title:) Notary Public

Official Title.	Pay.	Name of Station.	State or Country in which born.	State or Territory from which last appointed.
Asst. Keeper in the Light House Service.	$ 40. pr. mo.	New London Harbor. (Conn.)	Conn.	New York.

(The above should be filled in by the district officer.)

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF CLERK FORWARDED MAY 22 1909 TO APPOINTMENTS DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

Office of the Inspector, 3rd. Light-House District,

Tompkinsville, N.Y. (Address.), May 19th. 1909. (Date.)

The above-named appointee entered upon duty on May 3rd. 1909. (Date.)

(Signed:) C. Thomas

Captain, 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 taken any time prior to the payment of compensation, but no compensation should be paid until the oath is executed in proper form.

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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Ent'd MAY 21 1909

DIVISION OF APPOINTMENTS G RECEIVED MAY 22 1909 DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

GENERAL APPOINTMENT—PRIOR DATE

Department of Commerce and Labor

8369 OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

Washington

May 11, 1909.

Mr. John J. Price, of New York, is hereby appointed

Assistant Keeper of New London Harbor Light Station, Conn.,

in the Light-House Service,

at a salary of Forty dollars per month,

this appointment to be effective beginning May 3, 1909, he

having entered upon duty on that date and since continuously served

in the above-mentioned position. (vice Elmer J. Rathbun.)

Payment of the compensation authorized in this appointment is

subject to the oath of office being taken.

(By transfer from Third Assistant Keeper of Navesink Light Station, New

Jersey, at $525 per annum.)

CARDED

Acting Secretary.

(Date of oath)

The Light House Board.

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TO DISBURSING CLERK
DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

Department of Commerce and Labor

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

Washington

5269

May 11, 1909.

Gentlemen:

Referring to the Third Inspector's recommendation of the 5th instant that John J. Price be transferred from third assistant keeper of Matsinik Light-Station, New Jersey, at $525 per annum, to assistant keeper of New London Harbor Light-Station, Connecticut, at $40 per month, the Department notes his statement that although to a position with lower compensation, this transfer is recommended at the request of Mr. Price.

The Department asks that in the future the Board forward similar requests of this character for its files.

Respectfully,

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Acting Secretary.

The Light-House Board.

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Form 73 ORIGINAL APPOINTMENT, PROMOTION, OR TRANSFER OF EMPLOYEE

DIVISION OF APPOINTMENTS RECEIVED MAY 8 1909 DEPT. OF COMMERCE & LABOR

Department of Commerce and Labor

LIGHT-HOUSE ESTABLISHMENT

RLM-NO. 721

Office of the Inspector, 3rd L. H. Dist.,

Poughkeepsie, N.Y.,

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF CLERK RECEIVED MAY 8-1909 DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

The Light-House Board,

Washington, D. C.

May 5, 1909.
(Date)

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

of (2) John J. Price & to Good of (3) New York
(Name of person—letter for letter—as reported to Board) (State of legal residence)

from (4) 3rd-assistant Keeper,
(Official title of present position, as Keeper, First Assistant Keeper, etc.)

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

at (6) $525. per annum to (7) assistant keeper
(Salary now paid) (Official title of position, as Keeper, First Assistant Keeper, etc.)

at (8) New London Harbor Light-Station, Conn. at
(Official name of aid, as given in Light List, as Absecon Light-Station, N. J.)

(9) $ 540. per mo., effective beginning (10) May 3, 1909 (the date
(Salary recommended) (Was 500 pa)

of his entrance on duty) (~~or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty~~)
(Strike out the clause not appropriate)

in the place of (11) Elmer J. Rathbun
(State name of *last* person holding position)

who (12) was transferred on (13) April 27, 1909.
(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.

This transfer which involves a reduction in pay is recommended at the request of Mr. Price.

Respectfully,

Geo. N. Haywood

Lieut. Commander, U.S.N. Asst. to Inspr.

(In the absence, and by direction of Inspr.)

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Department of Commerce and Labor

LIGHT-HOUSE BOARD

May 7, 1909.

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

5-10-09

WRITER BOARD MAY 10 1909

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF CLERK FORWARDED MAY 8-1909 TO APPOINTMENTS DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

DIVISION OF APPOINTMENTS APPOINTMENT WRITER MAY 10 1909 DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

F. Mayo

Captain, U.S.N.

Naval Secretary

11—2314

Form 111

OATH OF OFFICE

(PRESCRIBED BY SECTION 1757, REVISED STATUTES)

JAN 8 1908 — LIGHT HOUSE BOARD — Received.

Enclosure

Department of Commerce and Labor

LIGHT-HOUSE ESTABLISHMENT

I, John J Price

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.**

John J Price

[b] Sworn and subscribed before me, this 4th day of January, A. D. 1908

[c] Name: Charles J Chaisson

Official title: Notary Public

{Affix official seal.}

CARDED

NAME OF OFFICE.	NAME OF STATION.	State or Country in which born.	State or Territory from which appointed.
3d Asst Keeper	Navesink Lt. Sta. N.J.	Canada	New York

[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.

Light House Board, entered upon duty.

Date 1 Jany '08

J Johnson

Chief Clerk

GENERAL APPOINTMENT—WITHOUT FIXED DATE

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Department of Commerce and Labor
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
Washington

December 19, 1907.

Mr. John J. Price, of New York, is hereby appointed Third Assistant Keeper of Navesink Light-Station, New Jersey, in the Light-House Service, with compensation at the rate of Five Hundred and Twenty-five dollars per annum, effective beginning January 1, 1908, or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty. (vice Edward Hill.)

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

(By transfer from First Assistant Keeper of Montauk Point Light-Station, New York, at $600 per annum.)

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Secretary.

The Light-House Board,

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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. John J. Price, of N. Y., to be from First Assistant Keeper of Montauk Point, N. Y., Light-Station, at $500 a year, to Third Assistant Keeper of Navesink, N. J., Light-Station, at $525 a year, from 1 Jan'y,'08, or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty, in the place of Mr. Edward Hill, transferred, from 1 Jan'y, '08.

Respectfully,

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Commander, U.S.N.,

Naval Secretary.

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1st Assistant

PERSONAL INFORMATION SHEET

NOTE.—This sheet is to be used only in cases of persons transferred to the Department of Commerce and Labor, by operation of law, July 1, 1903.

Department of Commerce and Labor

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

Washington

May 15, 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 in Part II of this form, relative to each appointee or employee, now in the service, who was serving in your Bureau June 30, 1903, and was transferred to the Department of Commerce and Labor July 1, 1903, pursuant to the acts of Congress approved February 14, 1903, and March 3, 1903, 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.

CARDED

Geo. B. Cortelyou

Secretary.

PART I.

(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 John Judson Price

2. How do you write your name on the pay roll? John J Price

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

East Hampton (City or town.) New York (State or Territory.) Suffolk (County.) First (Congressional district.)

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

5. Where were you born? New Brunswick Canada

6. When were you born? January (Month.) Ninth (Day.) 1867 (Year.)

7. Are you pensioned by the United States 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 Government? (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.
None				

9. How long were you in the civil service of the United States Government prior to July 1, 1903?

From Nove 1st 1902 to July 1st 1903 (8 months)

10. 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;" or, "By reinstatement;" or, "By transfer from ————," stating Department, Bureau or Service, position and salary, if known.)

I through Local Civil service ~~latter part of~~ January 31st 1902

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

None

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

Regiment and company, or vessel.	Date enlisted.	Date discharged.	Cause of discharge.
None			

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.
None			

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 9, 12, and 13.)

Fireman And Assistant Engineer

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.")

Publice School

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

Fireman And Assistant Engineer

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17. What, if any, civil service examinations have you passed? (State name and ...e of each, as near as you recollect.)

17. What, if any, civil service examinations have you passed?

For assistant Keepers Light House ~~Service~~ Service
~~Later part~~ January 28th 1902

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. July 7th, 1904

Witness:

(Signature) John J Price

P. O. Address: Montauk
City or town.

T. Light House
Number and street.

New York
State or Territory.

In case signature is by mark.

Reviewed, approved, and forwarded MAR 4 1905, 190

(Signature) H R Smackenzy

(Official title) Captain, U. S. Navy, 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 was employed July 1, 1903.

Light-House Service (Bureau or Service.) Montauk Point Lt. Station (Place (city, town, or station).) Third (District.)

2. What position did he hold July 1, 1903? 2nd Asst Keeper, Montauk Point Lt, Montauk, New York

3. On what date was he appointed to this position? November 1st 1902

4. How long had he served in the Bureau or Service in which he was employed July 1, 1903?

Eight months.

5. What was his salary July 1, 1903? $450. per Annum

6. From what appropriation was he paid July 1, 1903? Salaries of Keepers of Light-Houses,

7. Was the position he held July 1, 1903, excepted, competitive, or unclassified under the civil service rules?

Competitive.

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

9. If the appointee or employee was appointed through examination, state the kind of examination. If not so appointed, state how he entered the position. (Examples: "Appointed before position was classified;" or, "By reinstatement;" or, "By transfer from ——— ———," stating Department, Bureau or Service, position, and salary, if known.)

Local C.S. Exam. for Keeper or Asst. Keeper, 3rd L.H. District Jany 31, 1902

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

(Signature) H R Chamberlain

(Official title) Captain, U. S. Navy,
Inspector.

Date: MAR 4 1905, 190

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OATH OF OFFICE.

Prescribed by Section 1757, Revised Statutes.

I, John J. Price do solemnly that I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; that I take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion; and that I will well and faithfully discharge the duties of the office on which I am about to enter: So help me God.

John J Price

Sworn and subscribed before me, this 6th day of May A. D. 1904

James M. Strong
Notary Public

E. O. d. May 1, '04.

NAME OF OFFICE.	NAME OF STATION.	State or Country in which born.	State or Territory from which appointed.
Third assistant, Light-House Keeper.	Montauk Point, Long Island	Newfoundland Canada	Atlantic Highlands New Jersey

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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OATH OF OFFICE

OF

John L. Brice

Position: Light-Keeper

Montauk Pt. L.H. Sta.

N.Y. (3rd Dist.)

Dated, May 6th, 1904

May 1, '04 COB

May 19, 04 Acctt.

EXTRACTS FROM THE REVISED STATUTES RELATING TO OATHS OF OFFICE.

SEC. 1756. Every person elected or appointed to any office of honor or profit, either in the civil, military, or naval service, excepting the President and the persons embraced by the section following, shall, before entering upon the duties of such office, and before being entitled to any part of the salary or other emoluments thereof, take and subscribe the following oath:

* * * * * * *

SEC. 1757. * * * I, A. B., do solemnly swear (or affirm) 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.

AN ACT amending the Revised Statutes of the United States in respect to official oaths, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section twelve hundred and eighteen of the Revised Statutes of the United States be and is hereby, amended so as to read as follows:

* * * * * * *

SEC. 2. That section seventeen hundred and fifty-six of the Revised Statutes be, and the same is hereby, repealed, and hereafter the oath to be taken by any person elected or appointed to any office of honor or profit either in the civil, military, or naval service, except the President of the United States, shall be as prescribed in section seventeen hundred and fifty-seven of the Revised Statutes.

Approved, May 13, 1884.

GENERAL APPOINTMENT

Department of Commerce and Labor
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
Washington

April 27, 1904.

Mr. John J. Price, of New Jersey, is hereby appointed First Assistant Keeper of the Montauk Point Light-Station, New York, in the Light-House Service, at a salary of Five Hundred dollars per annum, this appointment to take effect on May 1, 1904, or as soon thereafter as oath of office is taken. vice Everett C. King, resigned. (By promotion from the position of Second Assistant Keeper of the same station, at a salary of $450 per annum.)

Change reported to Civil Service Commission.

Secretary.

Date of oath: _____, 190

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The Light-House Board.

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The Honorable

The Secretary of Commerce and Labor.

Sir:

The Board has the honor to ask the promotion of Mr. John J. Price, from the position of Second Assistant Keeper at Montauk Point, N. Y., Light-Station, to that of First Assistant Keeper at the same station, to date from 1 May, '04, with pay at the rate of $500. a year, in the place of Mr. Everett C. King, resigned.

Respectfully,

C. J. Gatchin
Captain, U. S. N.,
Naval Secretary.

APPROVED
APR 25 1904
Laurence O. Murray
ACTING Secretary

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DIVISION OF APPOINTMENTS.
Form 248.—Ed. 10 11 1900 1,000.

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY,

J. A. D.

Washington, D. C., May 8, 1903.
9,

Mr. John J. Price,
Care of the Chairman
of the Light-House Board.

Sir:

Having served satisfactorily for the probationary period of six months required by law, you are hereby *absolutely* appointed Second Assistant KEEPER of the Montauk Point, Light Station, New York with compensation at the rate of Four hundred and fifty dollars ($450.) per annum from May 1, 1903. subject to taking the required oath of office.

Respectfully,

CARDED.

(Signed) R. B. Armstrong
Acting Secretary

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT,
LIGHT-HOUSE ESTABLISHMENT.
Form 138 c.—Ed. 6 27 1902 1,000.

ATJ. LETTER ASKING FULL APPOINTMENT OF KEEPER.

COMMUNICATIONS SHOULD BE ADDRESSED TO THE LIGHT-HOUSE BOARD. IN WRITING UPON THE SUBJECT OF THIS LETTER QUOTE THE FOLLOWING FILE NUMBER:

FILE No. 5369.

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE LIGHT-HOUSE BOARD,

Washington, 17 April, 1903.

The Honorable

The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

The Board has the honor to ask the full appointment of Mr. John J. Price, as Second Assistant Keeper of Montauk Point, N. Y., Light-Station, to date from 1 May, '03, with pay at the rate of $450. a year.

The probationary appointment of Mr. Price will expire on 30 April, '03 and his full appointment is recommended by the Inspector of the 3d Light-House District.

Respectfully,

C. T. Hutchins
Captain, U. S. N.,
Naval Secretary.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT,
LIGHT-HOUSE ESTABLISHMENT.
Form 111.—Ed. 1 4 1900 1,500.

OATH OF OFFICE.

PRESCRIBED BY SECTION 1757, REVISED STATUTES.

I, John J Price do solemnly Declare that I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; that I take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion; and that I will well and faithfully discharge the duties of the office on which I am about to enter: So help me God.

John J Price

E.O.d. Nov. 1, 1902.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this First day of November A. D. 1902

James M. Strong
Notary Public

CARDED.

NAME OF OFFICE.	NAME OF STATION.	State or Country in which born.	State or Territory from which appointed.
Second assistant Keeper	Montauk Point Light Station Long Island	Butternut Ridge Kings Co. N.B. Canada	New Jersey U.S.A.

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.*

DIVISION OF APPOINTMENTS.
Form 68-3.—Ed. 9 27 1900 2,000.

J.A.D.

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY.

Washington, D. C., October 23, 1902.

The Chairman of the

Light-House Board,

Washington, D.C.

Sir:

In order that the Department may comply with the requirements of Section 3, Rule VIII, Civil Service Rules, you will report to this office in writing near the end of the probationary term, viz:

of May 1, 1903,

appointed Mr. John J. Price,

on Second Assistant Keeper, Montauk Point Light Station, N.Y., *to serve under your direction,*

whether his *conduct and capacity have been satisfactory during said term,*

and whether you recommend his *absolute appointment.*

If his *conduct and capacity have not been satisfactory, you will state specifically the reasons why they have not been.*

Respectfully,

(Signed) O. L. Spaulding

Secretary.

Acting

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DIVISION OF APPOINTMENTS.
Form No. 247.—Ed. 9 23 1902 1,000.

J.A.P.

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY.

Washington, D. C., October 23, 1902.

Mr. John J. Price,

Care of the Chairman

of the Light-House Board.

Sir:

Having been certified as eligible by the United States Civil Service Commission, you are hereby appointed Second Assistant KEEPER of the Montauk Point Light Station, New York, with compensation at the rate of four hundred and fifty dollars dollars ($450.00) per annum for a *probationary period of six months*, from November 1, 1902, subject to taking the required oath of office.

Respectfully,

(Signed) O. L. Spaulding.

Acting Secretary.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT,

OFFICE OF THE LIGHT-HOUSE BOARD,

COMMUNICATIONS SHOULD BE ADDRESSED TO THE LIGHT-HOUSE BOARD. IN WRITING UPON THE SUBJECT OF THIS LETTER QUOTE THE FOLLOWING FILE NUMBER:

FILE No. 5369

Washington, 10 Oct. '02.

The Honorable,

The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

The Board has the honor to ask the probationary appointment of Mr. John J. Price as Second Assistant Keeper of Montauk Point, N. Y. Light-station, with pay at the rate of $450. a year, to date from 1 Nov. '02, in the place of Mr. Harry T. Scott, who has resigned to take effect 31 Oct. '02.

Mr. Price has passed the required civil service examination and attained a rating of 82 per cent.

Respectfully,

W. Maynard

Captain, U. S. N.,

Naval Secretary.

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LIGHT-HOUSE INSPECTOR 2d DIST. FEB 28 1917 RECEIVED TOMPKINSVILLE, N.Y.

PERSONAL QUESTION SHEET

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
WASHINGTON

MARCH 5, 1913.

To the CHIEFS OF BUREAUS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE:

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

Final Certificate of Naturalization of John J. Price, Inferior Court of Common Pleas, County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey, Oct. 6, 1900. (Ret'd 2-26-17)

William C. Redfield
Secretary.

PART I.

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

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

Mr John Jethro Price

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

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

City or town.	State or Territory.	County.	Congressional district.
Atlantic City	New Jersey	Atlantic	second

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

5. Where were you born? New Brunswick Canada

6. When were you born? January (Month.) 9 (Day.) 1867 (Year.)

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

Mrs John J Price (Name.) 32 So Vermont Ave (Number and street.)

Atlantic City (City or town.) New Jersey (State or Territory.)

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

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

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

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

Civil Service examination either 1901 - 1902

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

No Glasses

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

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

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

No

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

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

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

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

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

Relationship (widow or orphan) ——

Name under which soldier or sailor rendered service ——

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

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

Fireman in Electric Plant

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

Public School

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

None

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

Light House 1901 - 1902

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

Yes

21. State the date upon which the above blanks were filled. February 27, 1917

Witness:

(Signature) John J Price

In case signature is by mark.

P. O. Address: Atlantic City
City or town.
82 So Vermont Ave
Number and street.
New Jersey
State or Territory.

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

Reviewed, approved, and forwarded ....., 191

(Signature) .....

(Official title) .....

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New York, N. Y.

9 March,1940

From: Commander, New York District.
To : John J. Price, 116 N.Maine Avenue, Atlantic City, N.J.

Subject: Medical service.

Reference: (a) Your letter 7 March,1940.

1. Attached hereto is copy of circular letter of November 1,1930, which will give you full information is regard to the obtaining of free medical treatment.

P. E. SHAW
By direction.

Atlantic City, N. J.
7 March, 1940.

MAR 7 8 9 1940 RECEIVED TOMPKINSVILLE

Superintendent of Lighthouses, J. T. Yates
General Coast Guard Depot,
St. George, Staten Island,
N. Y.

Sir:

Information is requested as to what procedure will be necessary to gain admittance to Public Health Service Hospitals for retired personnel of the former Lighthouse Service. I do not require hospitalization at the present time but deem it advisable to know what to do in case I should require treatment in an emergency.

Thanking you in advance for any information you may be able to give, I remain,

Yours truly,

John J. Price

John J. Price
116 N. Maine Avenue,
Atlantic City, N. J.

Form 76

...E LIBERTY OR LEAVE OF ABSENCE OF KEEPERS

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

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SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES APR 7 1921 RECEIVED TOMPKINSVILLE, N.Y.

REQUEST

Absecom Lighthouse, April 6, 1921
(Station.)

SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES, Third DISTRICT:

I respectfully request that I be granted Fifteen days ~~of shore liberty or~~ leave, from April 7 to April 21, inclusive, 1921. I have had five days ~~shore liberty or~~ leave to date during this calendar year.

This application for shore liberty or leave is made in accordance with regulations governing this subject for this class station and with the understanding that I furnish, if required, at my own expense, a substitute competent in all respects to perform my duties and who will be satisfactory to you.

The name and address of the substitute I propose to furnish follow:

George W. Kaine (Name.), 15 So Congress Ave, Atlantic City (P. O. Address.)

If leave is granted, my address during absence will be as follows, and any change will be reported to the keeper in charge of the station:

Butternut Ridge (Street or R. D. Route.) Kings County (City.) N. B. (State.) Canada

Forwarded. Approval recommended.
Proposed substitute is considered satisfactory and competent.

Knud Hansen
Keeper in charge.

John J Price
(Applicant's signature.)

1st asst Keeper
(Title.)

AUTHORITY

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT, 3rd DISTRICT, April 7, 1921, 19

The above application for shore liberty or leave is hereby approved for 15 days, from April 7th to April 21, inclusive, 19 21

Substitute must be (Insert "must" or "need not.") be furnished during this absence.

J. T. YATES

~~Superintendent~~, Supt. 3rd Lighthouse District.

See over

FINAL REPORT

Absence begun: At 8 a.M. April 7, 1921. (State nearest hour.)

Returned to duty: At 8 a.M. April 22, 1921. (State nearest hour.)

Period of absence: Fifteen days.

Period charged: Fifteen days.

John J. Price
(Applicant's signature.)

1st Keeper
(Title.)

Certified correct and forwarded.

Knud Hansen
Keeper in charge.

11—882

FWC-JHG

Knud Hanson, Keeper,
Absecon Light Station,
Atlantic City, N. J.

April 5,1921

SUBJECT: Leave of absence, 1st Asst.Keeper Price.
REFERENCE: Form 76 dated March 29th, and letter April 4,1921.

1. Referring to Form 76 dated March 29,1921 from Assistant Keeper Price, and to your endorsement on letter from Price dated April 4,1921; you are authorised to employ George W. Kain from April 7th to April 21st,1921 to perform the duties of assistant keeper during the absence of Assistant Keeper Price, with pay at the rate of $83.50 per month. The substitute will make suitable arrangements for his subsistence at his own expense, as the rate of pay stated above covers the full amount allowed.

2. Upon the return to duty of Assistant Keeper Price on April 21st, you will promptly advise this office of the time and date on which the substitute was assigned to duty, and the time and date on which his services were discontinued. Upon receipt of this information check for the salary due the substitute will be promptly forwarded.

3. This leave is granted only on condition that Assistant Keeper Price forward to this office by return mail Form 76, in duplicate, with the name and address of substitute filled in as called for by form.

4. You are again directed to familiarize yourself with the regulations pertaining to leave of absence and the preparation of Form 76 etc, and thus avoid in future all unnecessary correspondence.

S. T. YATES.

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
TOMPKINSVILLE, N. Y.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

THIRD DISTRICT

SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
TOMPKINSVILLE, N. Y.
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APR 5 1921

Absecon light station.
(Station, Depot, or Vessel)

April 4, 1921., 191

From: J.J.Price, 1st Ass't Keeper.
To: Superintendent, 3rd lighthouse District.
(Through Keeper Absecon light)

Subject: Leave of absence.

Reference (a) Superintendents Letter, dated April 2, 1921.

I. In making a reply to your letter I respectfully inform you that I am able obtain the services of a man who is willing to perform the duties at the light as a substitute, the man who is willing to serve is George W.Kain, #15 South Congress Avene, Atlantic City, N.J.

John J Price
1st Keeper

Substitute referred to is willing to perform duties to the best of his ability, and will be responsible to Keeper

Forwarded
Edward Kain
Keeper

FWO:MBM.

April 2, 1921.

J.J. Price, 1st. Ass't. Kpr.
Through the Keeper.
Absecon Light Station,
Atlantic City, N.J.

SUBJECT: Leave of absence.

REFERENCE: Your letter and application dated March 29, 1921.

1. You are advised that it is impracticable for this office to obtain a person in this vicinity to goto Absecon Light Station to act as substitute for you during your absence, therefore, it is not possible to approve your application at this time. If you will obtain a person to perform your duties during your absence and forward his name to this office together with the other information, required by circular letter Number 245, dated June 10, 1920, action will be taken toward granting the leave desired.

J.T.YATES.

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
TOMPKINSVILLE, N. Y.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
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THIRD DISTRICT

4-10

Absecon Lighthouse, N.J.
(Station, Depot, or Vessel)

March 29, 1921

Superintendent,
Tompkinsville, N.Y.
Through the Keeper.

Enclosed find application on Form 76. for leave of absence, as my mother is seriously ill and not expected to live much longer.

I am unable to get a substitute here.

John J Price
1st Ass't. Keeper

Forwarded

Knud Hansen
Keeper

Form 76

SHORE LIBERTY OR LEAVE OF ABSENCE OF KEEPERS

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
MAR 30 1921
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TOMPKINSVILLE, N.Y.

REQUEST

Absecon Lighthouse, March 29, 1921.
(Station.)

LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, Third DISTRICT:

I respectfully request that I be granted Fifteen days of ~~shore liberty~~ or leave, from April 7 to April 21, inclusive, 1921 I have had 5. days shore liberty or leave to date during this calendar year.

This application for shore liberty or leave is made in accordance with regulations governing this subject for this class station and with the understanding that I furnish, if required, at my own expense, a substitute competent in all respects to perform my duties and who will be satisfactory to you.

The name and address of the substitute I propose to furnish follow:

_____, _____
(Name.) (P. O. Address.)

If leave is granted, my address during absence will be as follows, and any change will be reported to the keeper in charge of the station:

Buttermut Ridge, Kings County N.B. Canada
(Street or R. D. Route.) (City.) (State.)

Forwarded. Approval recommended.
Proposed substitute is considered satisfactory and competent.

Howard Hanson
Keeper in charge.

John J. Price
(Applicant's signature.)

1st Asst Keeper
(Title.)

AUTHORITY

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR, _____ DISTRICT, _____, 191

The above application for shore liberty or leave is hereby approved for _____ days, from

_____ to _____, inclusive, 191 .

Substitute _____ be furnished during this absence.
(Insert "must" or "need not.")

_____

Inspector, _____ Lighthouse District.

FINAL REPORT

Absence begun: At _____ M., 191 .
(State nearest hour.)

Period of absence: _____ days.

Returned to duty: At _____ M., 191 .
(State nearest hour.)

Period charged: _____ days.

Certified correct and forwarded.

_____
(Applicant's signature.)

_____
Keeper in charge.

_____
(Title.)

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Form 207
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

(SEE INSTRUCTIONS AND REGULATIONS ON BACK)

APPLICATION FOR MEDICAL EXAMINATION AND TREATMENT OF SICK OR DISABLED EMPLOYEES IN THE LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

2006

Office of the Superintendant of Lighthouse, 3rd District.

Staten Island, N. Y.
(Place)

January 4, 1935., 19

TO THE MEDICAL OFFICER IN CHARGE,
U. S. Marine Hospital,
~~U. S. Public Health Service~~
Stapleton, S. I., N. Y.

SIR:

It is requested that an examination be made of John J. Price, Retired Keeper
(Name and title of person to be examined)
in the U. S. Lighthouse Service, attached to Retired, and, if in need of medical
(Name of vessel or station)
treatment and entitled to same as a beneficiary of the Public Health Service, to furnish him with such medical treatment as the case may require. The signature and description of the applicant appear below.

Signature of employee to be examined John J Price

Title Retired Keeper

Nativity U. S. Age 69 years. Height 5 feet 10 inches.

Color of eyes gray Color of hair gray

Distinguishing marks ---

*Date of original appointment in the Lighthouse Service November 1, 1902

~~†Date of certificate by the Public Health Service that person named passed physical examination~~

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For and in the absence of the Supt.
F. W. Ockenfels
(Title of officer signing request)
F.W.OCKENFELS, Asst.Supt.

*Fill in only if person to be examined is a light keeper or assistant light keeper.

†Fill in only in case of light keeper or assistant light keeper when the date of original appointment in the Lighthouse Service is subsequent to August 27, 1916.

(OVER)

11—5992

July 8, 1933.

Mr. John J. Price,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Dear Sir:

The Department, under date of June 28, 1933, advised you of your retirement from the Lighthouse Service after serving in that organization for approximately 31 years.

The Department hereby extends to you its thanks for faithful service rendered over so many years, and entertains the hope that you may long enjoy the rest which you have so well earned.

Sincerely yours,

DANIEL C. ROPER
Secretary of Commerce.

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JUL 13 1933 AM
DEPT. OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSES

WJL-PS

July 8th, 1933.

John J. Price, Retired,
Absecon Light Station,
Atlantic City, N.J.

Subject: Method of making payments to Retired Employees.

Reference: Pay Certificate by Retired Employee-Form No. 10. attached.

1. Herewith, is blank form No. 10, referred to above, prepared by this office to cover Retirement Compensation due for period July 1st to 31st, 1933, inclusive, and you are requested to affix signature, insert date of signature and address in spaces and on lines provided for that purpose, returning same for payment in accordance with par. 1 of "Instructions" contained on form No. 10.

2. Attention is directed to arrangement of typewritten data, certificate inclosed, for your future reference and guidance, in view of the fact that hereafter form No.10 for the succeeding months will have to be prepared and submitted by yourself on blank forms furnished each month with the previous month's check.

3. Strict compliance with instructions will prevent delay in payment of monthly retirement compensation due.

J. T. Yates,
Superintendent.

By: W. J. Lawton
Chief Clerk.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE
Form 10

PS

PAY CERTIFICATE BY RETIRED EMPLOYEE

Superintendent of Lighthouses, Third District,

Staten Island, N.Y.

To John J. Price, Dr. $ 80.99

For pay as Keeper (retired) in the Lighthouse Service,

from July 1st, 1933, to July 31st, 1933, at $971.95 per annum.

I certify that the above statement is correct and just, and payment has not been received.

X _____
(Signature of payee.)

_____
(Witness to signature of payee.)

X _____
(Date of signature.)

_____
(Address of witness.)

X _____
(Address of payee.)

INSTRUCTIONS

This statement must be prepared, signed, and dated, and forwarded by retired employees to the Superintendent of Lighthouses of the district in which the employee served at the time of his retirement, unless otherwise directed, *on the last day of each month.* Whenever the signature of a retired employee is made by mark, it must be witnessed on the space provided, and the address of the witness shown. One copy of Form 10 shall be mailed to the retired employee each month, inclosed with pay check, to be used in preparing certificate for the succeeding month.

In case retired employee can not sign receipt himself for physical or other reasons, circumstances should be reported to the Superintendent. Advise Superintendent of any change in address. Death of retired employee must be reported at once by member of family or friend. Under the law, retired pay ceases with death of employee and can not be continued to widow or other member of family. Strict compliance with these instructions will assist in lessening delay in payment.

11—7728 U. S. GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE: 1933

FWO-JHG

June 29,1933

John J. Price, 1st Asst.Keeper,
Thru.the Keeper,
Absecon Light Station,
Atlantic City, N. J.

SUBJECT: Retirement.
REFERENCE: Letter from this office June 9,1933.

1. You are advised your retirement from active service as 1st Assistant Keeper of Absecon Light Station, has been approved, effective at the close of June 30th, 1933. Further information in reference to your retirement will be sent you later.

J. T. YATES

Superintendent

By: W. J. Lawton,
Chief Clerk

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

June 28, 1933.

Mr. John J. Price,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of Section 6 of the Act approved June 20, 1918, and upon recommendation of the Commissioner of Lighthouses, the Department has retired you from active duty in the Lighthouse Service (Third District), with retired pay at the rate of $971.95 per annum, effective beginning July 1, 1933.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

EDW. J. GARDNER,
Chief of Appointment Division.

DSK

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

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

JUN 17 1933 AM
SUPT. OF LIGHTHOUSES STATEN ISLAND
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June 16, 1933.

Superintendent of Lighthouses, Staten Island, N.Y.

SUBJECT: Amendment of ~~retired~~ pay, Keeper John J. Price.

On Form 9 you show the amount of pay received by this employee for the period July 1, 1928 to July 2, 1930, at the rate of $1260 per annum, as $2567.00. It appears the correct amount of pay for this period should be $2527.00, and the Bureau has accordingly amended your computation. This change amends the computation of retired pay as follows:

Total pay last five years -	$6479.660
Average pay last 5 years -	1295.932
Retired pay - - - - - - -	971.950

For the Commissioner:

W. P. Harman
Administrative Assistant.

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Form 9

FWO-JHG

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

RETIREMENT UNDER ACT OF JUNE 20, 1918, AS AMENDED

(In case of disability retirement, execute medical certificate on Form 9a)

Date June 10, 1933

Superintendent of Lighthouses,

Third District

Staten Island, N.Y.
(City)

I hereby apply for retirement from active duty in the Lighthouse Service effective June 30, 1933, on the basis of service shown hereon.

(Sgd.) John J. Price
(Name)

1st Asst. Keeper,
~~Absecon Light Station, N.J.~~
(Designation)

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES

City Staten Island, N.Y. *Date* June 14, 1933

Submitted to Commissioner of Lighthouses, Washington, D. C., recommending retirement at $977.94 per annum, effective at the close of June 30, 1933

It is certified that the record of service and pay shown on Page 2 is correct as shown by the records of this office, and that all Government service shown has been verified.

6/22 Follows report

J. T. YATES
Superintendent of Lighthouses.

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES, *Washington, D. C.*, ...

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, recommending approval.

.....
Commissioner of Lighthouses.

FOR USE OF DEPARTMENT

11—10551

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

RETIREMENT UNDER ACT OF JUNE 20, 1918, AS AMENDED

(In case of disability retirement, execute medical certificate on Form 9a)

Name John J. Price Date of birth Jan. 9, 1867

Designation 1st Asst. Keeper, Absecon Light Station, N.J.

RECORD OF ALL ACTIVE GOVERNMENT SERVICE

(Including military, naval, and civilian service. Each department, branch, or independent office in which applicant served in a civilian capacity should be listed separately)

	Beginning			Ending			Remarks
	Month	Day	Year	Month	Day	Year	
Army							
Navy							
Marine Corps							
Civilian employment							
3rd Lighthouse Dist.	Nov.	1	1902	June	30	1933	
Total service			30-Y, 8-Mos.				

Does applicant receive or has he applied for a pension from the Government under any law? No If so, give number of pension certificate or of claim: ---

Does applicant receive or has he applied for compensation under the War Risk Insurance Act? No If so, give number of claim: ---

Does applicant receive or has he applied for compensation under the Federal Compensation Act, as amended? No

If so, state the compensation received: ---

STATEMENT BY FISCAL YEARS OF BASIC PAY RECEIVED DURING LAST FIVE YEARS OF ACTIVE SERVICE IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING EFFECTIVE DATE OF RETIREMENT

(Compute service on basis of 30 days a month. Do not include periods of leave without pay, rations, quarters, or other allowance)

Designation	Beginning			Ending			Rate of Pay	Pay Received
	Month	Day	Year	Month	Day	Year		
~~3d Lighthouse~~	~~July~~	~~1~~	~~1928~~	~~July~~	~~2~~	~~1930~~	~~$1260~~	~~$2587.00~~
~~District~~	~~July~~	~~3~~	~~1930~~	~~June~~	~~30~~	~~1933~~	~~1320~~	~~3952.66~~

Total compensation for last five years of active service ~~3519.66~~ 4779.66

Average compensation for last five years of active service ~~1303.93~~ 1295.93

Annual rate of retired pay ($ ~~1303.93~~ 1295.93 × years ~~30~~ (Not exceeding 30) ÷ 40) = ~~977.94~~ 971.95

U. S. GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE: 1931 11—10551

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

FWO:JHG

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

GENERAL DEPOT
OFFICE SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
3D DISTRICT, STATEN ISLAND, N. Y.

June 9,1933

John J. Price, Keeper, (1st Asst)
Thr. the Keeper,
Absecon Lt.Sta.

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SUBJECT: Retirement.

1. Referring to the matter of your retirement from active duty in the Lighthouse Service:- Form 9 is enclosed herewith, which you are directed to fill out as follows:-

Page 1 - Sign this form where marked "X", and insert date. No other part of this form is to be filled in by you.

Page 2 - Fill in the part of form that is bracketed in pencil. If you have had service in the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, or Coast Guard, fill in this information on form, and forward your Discharge, or Discharges, showing the period of your service in same. Also fill in any service you may have had in a civilian capacity in the Government Service, including your employment in the Lighthouse Service. Also answer the three questions pertaining to pension and compensation.

2. When completed, return the Form 9 to this office. Give this matter your prompt attention.

J. T. YATES
Superintendent.

By; W. J. Lawton,
Chief Clerk.

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

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

THIRD DISTRICT

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SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
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STATEN ISLAND, N.Y.

Per

Absecon Lt. Sta.
(Station, Depot, or Vessel)

May 21, 1931

Mr. J. T Yates
Superintendent of Lighthouses
Through the Keeper.
Third District, Staten Island. N. Y.

Dear Sir,

I beg to advise that I wish to continue in active service until I reach the compulsory retirement age of 70 years.

Respectfully,
John J Price
First Asst Keeper.

Forwarded Knud Hanson
Keeper

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

Asst Supt

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

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SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
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STATEN ISLAND, N.Y.

THIRD DISTRICT

Absecon Light Station
(Station, Depot or Vessel)

August 13, 1927

Superintendent of Lighthouses,
Through the Keeper,
Staten Island, N. Y. Subject Transfers
Reference: your letter of 8/12/27
~~Dear Sir:~~

I do not wish to accept transfers as Keeper to either Beavertail Light Station or Point Judith Light Station.

Respectfully,

John J Price
First Asst Keeper.

Knud Ronson
Keeper

asst. Cr (75)

FWO-JHG

Aug. 12, 1927

John J. Price, 1st Asst. Keeper,
Through the Keeper,
Absecon Light Station,
Atlantic City, N. J.

SUBJECT: Transfer.

1. Advise this office by return mail whether or not, in the event of a vacancy, you would be willing to accept transfer to the position of Keeper at either of the following light stations:-

a - Beavertail Light Station, located on Conanicut Island in Narragansett Bay, Rhode Island. Salary $1380 per annum. Family quarters are provided. There is one assistant keeper. The light is a 4th order oil vapor, and the fog signal a first class air siren.

b - Point Judith Light Station, located on shore at entrance to Block Island Sound, Rhode Island. Salary $1380 per annum. Family quarters are provided. There is one assistant keeper. The light is a 4th order oil vapor and the fog-signal a 1st class air siren.

J. T. YATES

Superintendent

By: W. J. Lawton,
Chief Clerk

WJL:JJH

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August 4, 1927.

Knud Hanson, Keeper,
Absecon Light Station,
Atlantic City, N.J.

SUBJECT: Leave of John J. Price, 1st Asst.

REFERENCE: Form 65 for July 1927.

1. Returned herewith is your Form 65 for July on which it is requested that you fill in the date and time that John J. Price, 1st Asst. Keeper returned to station.

J. T. YATES
Superintendent

By W. J. Lawton
Chief Clerk

GENERAL APPOINTMENT—FIXED DATE

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

5.

LIGHT
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HOUSES

NOV 11 1918

November 9, 1918.

Mr. John J. Price,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

You have been appointed, subject to taking the oath of office, and to actual entrance upon duty (unless on authorized leave) on the date indicated, Keeper

in the Lighthouse Service

at a salary of Seven Hundred and Twenty dollars per annum,

effective November 1, 1918.

By promotion from first assistant keeper at $540 per annum.

(The above rate of pay includes longevity pay of $60.)

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

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Chief of Appointment Division.

Appropriation: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

Vice: New position. (By increase in compensation.)

Legal Residence: New Jersey.

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Jan. 6, 1922

Chief Clerk

Voucher Clerk RS. 1/7/22

In paying salary for December, 1921, to John J. Price, Assistant Keeper of Absecon Light Station, make deduction for six (6) days pay and allowances on account of excess leave taken during the year 1921.

The dates on which excess leave was taken are as follows:-

Oct. 15th and 22nd	2 days
Nov. 19th and 26th	2 days
Dec. 15th and 31st	2 days
	6 days

SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
TOMPKINSVILLE
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N.Y.

Paid 1-7-22
Vou. No. 2476
Check No. 291274 80

1st Asst. Supt.

TOTAL

1/6/22

Hold Check until further notice

Question of Excess Leave

P.S.

Check # 29016 - Cancelled 1/7/22

FWO-JHG

John J. Price, 2nd Asst.Keeper,
Through the Keeper,
Absecon Light Station,
Atlantic City, N. J.

Jan. 6,1922

SUBJECT: Excess leave.

1. Your attention is invited to the fact that the maximum leave allowance for the keepers at Absecon Light Station is 30 days per annum, which includes regular leave as well as sick leave, as provided for by paragraph 104, page 36, of Instructions to Employees. It is noted from the monthly report for Absecon Light Station that during the calendar year 1921 you were absent from your station on 36 days, which is six days in excess of the maximum allowance. The matter of excess leave taken by you will be adjusted by the deduction of six days pay and allowance from the amount due you for the month of December,1921.

J. T. YATES.

Leave - 1921

	d	h
Jan —	2	0
Feb —	1	0
March —	2	0
April —	15	0
May —	2	0
June —	2	0
July —	2	0
Aug —	2	0
Sept —	2	0
Oct —	2	0
Nov —	2	0
Dec —	2	0
	36	0

6,1922

John J.Price, Assistant

n for six (6) days pay

n during the year 1921.

as follows:-

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1st Asst. Supt.

Jan. 6, 1922

Chief Clerk

Voucher Clerk

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1st Asst. Supt.

USE TYPEWRITER—SEE INSTRUCTIONS ON BACK.

UNITED STATES BUREAU OF EFFICIENCY. FORM 8.

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

MAKE NO ENTRIES IN THIS COLUMN.

RECORD OF CIVIL EMPLOYEE.

JULY 1, 1916.

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

2. Department:
Commerce

3. Bureau, office, or service:
3rd Lighthouse District

4. Designation of position:
1st Assistant Keeper

5. Occupation (if not clearly shown by answer to question 4):
Assistant Lighthouse Keeper

6. Annual earnings:
$ 540

7. Kind of appropriation:
AS

8. Present rate of pay:
$ 540

9. Initial rate of pay:
$ 450

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

Substitute— Years:	Substitute— Months:	Regular— Years:	Regular— Months:
		13	8

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

12. Race:
W

13. Sex:
Male

14. Date of birth—
Month: January
Year: 1867

15. Kinds of schools attended, years attended, and degrees taken:
E7

16. Marital condition:
M

17. War veteran?
No

18. Appointed from—
Congressional district and State: 1 New York
County: Suffolk

19. Civil service status:
C

20. Method by which classified status was obtained:
CE

21. Place of employment—
City: Absecon Light Station
State: Atlantic City New Jersey

DO NOT FOLD THIS CARD.

11—5869

LIGHT-HOUSE INSPECTOR 3d DIST. SEP 14 1916 RECEIVED TOMPKINSVILLE, N.Y.

t of Commerce

August 24, 1916.

ent of Commerce:

ain data to the Bureau of Efficiency in con-
s of the probable cost of retirement of civil
rtment requests that you give to the best of
nd return this form to Inspector, 3rd Lt. House Dist.
t practicable date. Please give this matter

E. F. Sweet
Acting Secretary.

Light House September 13th 1916
1st Assistant Keeper.
ial hours: Light House.
ed from the Government during the year ended
in service less than one year, state num-
nd total amount of compensation received,

Form A,



Department of Commerce

August 24, 1916.

To Officers and Employees of the Department of Commerce:

In order to be able to furnish certain data to the Bureau of Efficiency in connection with the preparation of estimates of the probable cost of retirement of civil employees of the United States, the Department requests that you give to the best of your ability the following information and return this form to Inspector, 3rd Lt. House Dist. at the earliest practicable date. Please give this matter immediate attention.

E. F. Sweet
Acting Secretary.

It is important that this letter be answered promptly

Observer Light House September 13th 1916

1. Name: John J. Price 1st Assistant Keeper.
2. Character of your work during official hours: Light House.
3. Total amount of compensation received from the Government during the year ended June 30, 1916; $ 540. If in service less than one year, state number of months served, _____, and total amount of compensation received, $ _____.
4. Service in any other department or civil establishment of the United States. If none, so state.

Department or establishment	Bureau	From (date)	To (date)
Light House	Treasury Department	November 1st 1902	1916

5. Rate of compensation at original entry into the Government service: $ 460.
6. Educational training:
   Elementary school, years 7
   High school, years none
   College or University, years none
   Special courses of study, [redacted] none
   (e.g. law, architecture, business, political science, technical, etc.)
   Degrees taken none
   Marital condition, (single, married, widow, widower, or divorced) Married.
   Service in Civil or Spanish War, Philippine Insurrection, Indian Campaign, or other military engagement _____. If none so state none.
9. Congressional District (under present Congressional apportionment) to which your present appointment is charged.
   Congressional District, Second; State, New Jersey; County, Atlantic
10. If classified, indicate by "Yes" the method by which you originally obtained your competitive classified status. Competitive examination, _____. Non-competitive examination, _____. Individual Executive order specifying you by name, _____. Blanket Executive order covering entire class, _____. Classified by Act of Congress, _____. Reinstated under individual Executive order, _____. Reinstated under blanket Executive order, _____. Reinstated in position classified by Executive order, _____. Reinstated in position classified by Act of Congress, _____.

Entered the Light House, Through Civil Service

Form 76

SHORE LIBERTY OR LEAVE OF ABSENCE OF KEEPERS

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR 3RD DIST. OCT 30 1915 RECEIVED WILLOUGHBY, N.Y.

REQUEST

Absecon Light Station Oct 29th, 1915.
(Station.)

LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, 3rd DISTRICT:

I respectfully request that I be granted 20 days of shore liberty or leave from November 4th to 24th, inclusive, 1915. I have had no days shore liberty or leave to date during this calendar year.

LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR 3RD DIST. NOV 26 1915 RECEIVED WILLOUGHBY, N.Y.

This application for shore liberty or leave is made in accordance with regulations governing this subject for this class station and with the understanding that I furnish, if required, at my own expense, a substitute competent in all respects to perform my duties and who will be satisfactory to you.

The name and address of the substitute I propose to furnish follow:

_____, _____
(Name.) (P. O. Address.)

If leave is granted, my address during absence will be as follows, and any change will be reported to the keeper in charge of the station:

32 S. Vermont Avenue, Atlantic City, N. J.
(Street or R. D. Route.) (City.) (State.)

Forwarded. Approval recommended.
Proposed substitute is considered satisfactory and competent.

Knud Hansen
Keeper in charge.

John J. Price
(Applicant's signature.)

1st Assistant
(Title.)

AUTHORITY

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR, Third DISTRICT, October 30, 1915

The above application for shore liberty or leave is hereby approved for twenty days, from Nov. 4th to Nov. 23rd, inclusive, 1915

Substitute not required be furnished during this absence.
(Insert "must" or "need not.")

J. A. Hall

Inspector, Third *Lighthouse District.*

FINAL REPORT

Absence begun: At 12 M. (State nearest hour.) Nov. 4th, 1915.

Returned to duty: At 12 M. (State nearest hour.) Nov. 24th, 1915.

Period of absence: 20 days.

Period charged: _____ days.

John J. Price
(Applicant's signature.)

1st Assistant
(Title.)

Certified correct and forwarded.

Knud Hansen
Keeper in charge.

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Price, J. J. Asst

FWO/EJC.

February 25th, 1915.

John J.Price, 1st Asst.Keeper,
(Through the Keeper,)
Absecon Light Station,
Atlantic City,N.J.

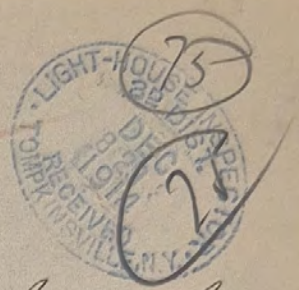
Referring to your letter of February 24th, 1915, relative to matter of leave of absence allowed to keepers at Absecon Light Station:

You are informed that the leave allowed the keepers at the station at which you are employed is 30 days each year, as provided for by the regulations, page 100, paragraph entitled Leaves of Absence for Keepers.

YAMS.

See Absecon Lt. Sta

Price, John J.



Files

Abercrombie Light Station
Dec 28. 1914.

Inspector

John J. Price entered on duty to day, as 1st Assistant and Samuel. G. Wright arrived at the Station at 2. p. m.

Hanson
Keyser.

Both E.O.D - Dec. 28-1914

JHG

Dec.18,1914

John J. Price, 2nd Asst.Keeper,
Through the Keeper,
Absecon Lt.Sta.,
Atlantic City, N.J.

Transmitted herewith is Department letter of December 2,1914 appointing you to the position of first assistant keeper of Absecon Light Station,N.J.

In accordance therewith you are hereby directed to enter on duty as First Assistant Keeper of Absecon Light Station, on December 28th,1914.

In the absence and by direction of Inspector.

HASKELL

Superintendent

Tompkinsville,N.Y?
Dec.18,1914

Copy forwarded to the Keeper of Absecon Lt.Sta.,,for his information.
Report to this office promptly by mail the date on which Price enters on duty as 1st Asst.Keeper.
Samuel C.Wright, 1st Asst.Keeper of West Bank Lt.Sta.,has been appointed to the position of 2nd Asst.Keeper at Absecon. He has been directed to report for duty at your station on Dec.28,1914. Report to this office promptly by mail the date of his entrance on duty.
In the absence and by direction of Inspector.

HASKELL
Superintendent

GENERAL APPOINTMENT

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

LIGHT
DEC 4 1914
HOUSES

December 2, 1914.

Mr. John J. Price,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

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

First Assistant Keeper

in the Lighthouse Service

at a salary of Five Hundred and Sixteen dollars per annum,

effective on the date on which you enter upon duty in the above-mentioned position.

(By promotion from second assistant keeper at $456 per annum.)

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(SIGNED) CLIFFORD HASTINGS
Acting Chief of Appointment Division.

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Appropriation: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

Vice: Knud Hanson.

Legal Residence: New York.

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Form 73 JHG

Price John J. 73 73

NOMINATION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, 3rd DISTRICT,

Tompkinsville,N.Y., Nov.27,1914, 191
(City.) (Date.)

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Action recommended, Promotion

Name, **John J. Price** Legal residence, **New York**

Position, **First Assistant Keeper** Salary, **$516.00 per annum**

Location, **Absecon Light Station,N.J.** Appropriation, **Salaries,Keepers of Lighthouses**

Effective **December 11,1914** {~~the actual date of entrance on duty~~, or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty.

Former position, Second Assistant Keeper Former salary, **$456 per annum**

Location, **Absecon Light Station,N.J.**

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

Previous incumbent, Knud Hanson Services terminated, **November 5,1914**

Reason, **Promoted**

Relatives in Government Service,

Remarks:

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

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YATES

Secretary, Civil Service District.

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

[1] Strike out the clause which does not apply. 11—2314

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Nov.27,1914

Commissioner.

Referring to nomination forwarded to the Bureau to-day recommending the promotion of John J.Price from the position of Second Assistant Keeper to that of First Assistant Keeper, at Absecon Light Station, N.J.

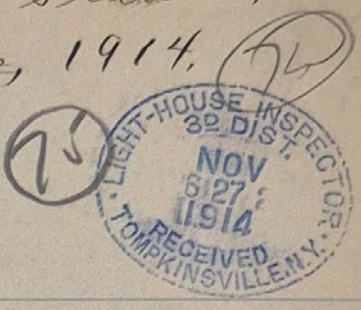
In explanation of this recommendation, in view of the fact that Mr.Price was transferred to this station to give him an opportunity to demonstrate whether or not he was capable of performing his duties in such a manner as to justify his further retention in the service, the Bureau is informed that during his period of service at Absecon Light Station, Mr.Price has performed the duties required of him in a satisfactory manner.

As Mr.Price has applied for this position in accordance with the regulations covering transfers and promotions of keepers and assistant keepers, and as his total period of service is far in excess of that of the few other assistant keepers who have also applied for the position, his promotion from 2nd assistant keeper to 1st assistant keeper is recommended.

YATES

Amp. a/c

Absecon Light Station,
November 26, 1914.



Inspector.

Yours of even date at hand. In reference to Assistant Keeper Price. His work is satisfactory and he is willing to do what I have asked him the short time I have been Keeper, but as to his ability in taking charge in case of absence of Keeper I have no knowledge, but otherwise I think he is competent for promotion to First Assistant Keeper.

Hanson, Keeper.

Files



Absecon Light-Station
Atlantic City. N. J.
Nov 11th 1914

Inspector:-

(Through the Keeper)

I hereby file my application for transfer to the position of 1st Assistant Keeper, the following been a list of stations to which I would accept transfer in the event of a vacancy:

X Absecon Light
X Shinnacock Light
X Staten Island Light

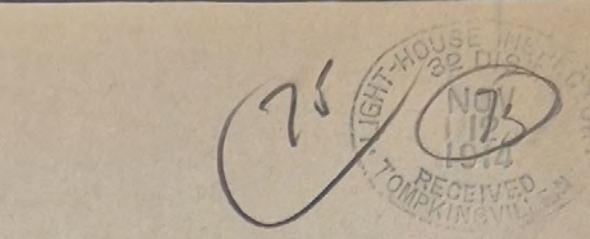
John J. Price
2nd Assist Keeper

Forward

Harrison Keeper

Circular sent 2-27-15

No new list received to March 13-1915 JJP.



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Absecon Light-Station
Atlantic City N. J.
Nov 11th 1914

Inspector:-

(Through the Keeper)

I hereby file my Application for transfer to the position of 1st Assistant Keeper, the following been a list of the Stations to which I would accept transfer in the event of a vacancy:

Absecon Light
Shinnecock Light
Staten Island Light Sta.

John J. Price
2nd Assist Keeper

Forward
Hanson Keyser

Price John J. (75) 75

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Nov.7,1914

John J.Price, 2nd Asst.Keeper,
Through the Keeper,
Absecon Light Station,
Atlantic City, N.J.

Referring to your letter of November 6,1914 requesting appointment to the position of 1st assistant keeper of Absecon Light Station,N.J.

Before consideration can be given to your transfer to this or any other station or position, it will be necessary for you to comply with the instructions heretofore sent you in regard to filing in this office a list of the stations and positions to which you would accept transfer in the event of a vacancy. Copy of letter of instructions mentioned above is enclosed herewith.

YATES

Inspector

LIGHT-HOUSE INSPECTOR
3d DIST.
NOV
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TOMPKINSVILLE

Absecon Light-Station
Atlantic City. N.J.
Nov. 6th 1914.

Inspector:-

Through the Keeper
I respectfully ask for the position of 1st Assistant Keeper at this station

Price

Forwarded
Hansen Keeper

Respectfully submitted as per instructions

Copy Price, John J.

LIGHT-HOUSE INSPECTOR 3D DIST. MAY 22 1914 RECEIVED TOMPKINSVILLE, N.Y.

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John J. Price,
transfer.

May 21, 1914.

Hon. Thomas J. Scully,
House of Representatives,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Congressman:

Referring again to your letter of May 11, 1914, inclosing one from Mr. S. F. Phillips, of Highlands, New Jersey, dated May 6, 1914, relative to the case of Mr. John J. Price, former second assistant keeper of Navesink Light Station and Shrewsbury River Lights, New Jersey, I have to advise you that before Mr. Price was transferred to the Absecon Light Station, New Jersey, his case was given thorough consideration, and in view of the fact that he proved to be a source of trouble at his former station it became necessary to transfer him to another station in the Third Lighthouse District, to which district Mr. Price is attached, and as no assistant keeper in that district receives as high a salary as Mr. Price received as second assistant keeper of the Navesink Light Station, the transfer necessarily involved a reduction in pay.

On May 27, 1912, charges were preferred against Mr. Price of having made detrimental criticisms in regard to the keeper at his station, and with conducting himself in such a manner as to create discord, and he was warned against further acts of like character. In July, 1913, evidence was discovered tending to show that Mr. Price was assisting the former second assistant keeper at the Navesink Light Station in an attack on the keeper. On August 27, 1913, Mr. Price permitted the oil cup on one of the engines to shut off, causing the stopping of the engines and the extinguishing of the light for a period of eight minutes.

As it appeared that Mr. Price was not willfully negligent, he was again merely cautioned. On December 12, 1913, he was charged with failure to readily obeyorders given by the keeper and with conducting himself in an insubordinate and disrespectful manner toward the keeper. As a result of this last occurrence of trouble at the Navesink Light Station, it was plainly evident that Mr. Price was a source of trouble at the station and for the benefit of the service it was decided to transfer him to another light station, in order to give him an opportunity to demonstrate whether or not he is capable of performing such prompt, efficient and cheerful service as would justify his further retention in the Lighthouse Service.

Respectfully,

(Signed) G. L. Putnam

Commissioner.

McC.

Bureau of Lighthouses,
May 21, 1914.

Referred to Lighthouse Inspector, Tompkinsville, New York, for the files of his office. See your report of May 14, 1914.

By direction of the Commissioner:

Clark

Chief Clerk.

Price John J.

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May 14,1914

Returned to Commissioner.

Under dated of May 27,1912, John J. Price, third assistant keeper, accused the keeper of Navesink Light Station of snubbing him, neglecting to instruct him personally as to daily work, also neglecting to inform him of rearrangement of watches. The explanation given by the keeper was considered satisfactory by this office, and on May 27,1912 charges were preferred against Mr.Price of making detrimental criticisms of the manner in which the keeper carried on the work at the station, and with conducting himself in such a manner as to interfere with the existence of a harmonious condition among the keepers at the station. Price denied the charges, and both he and the keeper were advised by this office that both must work in harmony and that if there was any further trouble of such nature, the office would be obliged to take such action as appeared necessary, which, in all probability, would seriously effect their status in the Lighthouse Service.

By endoresment dated July 23,1913, the Bureau forwarded to this office letter from Sidney Williams, formerly second assistant keeper at Navesink Light Station, making various complaints against the keeper of that station, amongst them being the trouble which had occurred between Mr.Price and the Keeper. As Mr.Williams seemed to have full information in regard to charges brought by Mr.Price, action taken, etc.,it seems very evident that he could only have obtained this information direct from Mr.Price, thus proving that Price was assisting Williams in his attack on the Keeper,

On August 25,1913, Mr.Price was charged with neglect of duty in having permitted oil cup on one of the engines at Navesink to shut off, causing the crank pin bearing to become hot, thereby stopping the engine and extinguishing the light for a period of eight minutes, and with violation of the rules in not calling the keeper at the time of the trouble. As it was not considered that this was willful neglect on Mr.Price's part, he was cautioned that should he be guilty of any further neglect of duty, consideration would be given to taking more drastic action in his case.

By letter dated December 11,1913, the Keeper advised this office that at about 9 P.M. on December 9,1913, Mr.Price called him to the power house and that he found one of the engines disabled. The keeper gave certain orders to Price, which Price resented and stated he did not need any orders as to what to do. On December 12,1913 this office charged Price with failure to readily obey orders given by the keeper, and with conducting himself in an insubordinate and disrespectful manner towards the keeper. By letter of Dec.15 Mr.Price denied the charges, and stated that the statement of the keeper was false.

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On January 20,1914 this office forwarded to the Bureau copies of correspondence re the charges of the Keeper, and recommended that, in view of the fact that Mr.Price seemed to be a source of trouble at Navesink Light Station, he be transferred to some other station as assistant keeper. This recommendation was approved under dated of February 7,1914 by the Department of Commerce, and on April 14,1914, it was recommended that Mr.Price be transferred to the position of second assistant keeper at Absecon Light Station,N.J.. The reason for the delay in transferring Mr.Price was that there was no position vacant to which he could be transferred prior to the vacancy which occurred at Absecon Light Station.

It is considered that the action taken in transferring Mr.Price to another station, which involved a reduction in pay, was justified by his conduct while at Navesink Light Station.

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THOMAS J.SCULLY
3rd DISTRICT,NEW JERSEY

COMMITTEE
RIVERS AND HARBORS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
WASHINGTON

May 11, 1914.

Hon.George R.Putnam,
Bureau of Lighthouses,
Department of Commerce,
Washington, D.C.

My dear Commissioner:

Enclosed herewith please find a communication from Mr. S.F.Phillips of Highlands, New Jersey, relative to the case of Second Assistant Keeper Price of the Navesink Lighthouse Station, which is self explanatory.

I will thank you to give this matter your kind consideration and favor me with a report of the case as soon as practicable.

Thanking you for past favors, I am,

Very truly yours,

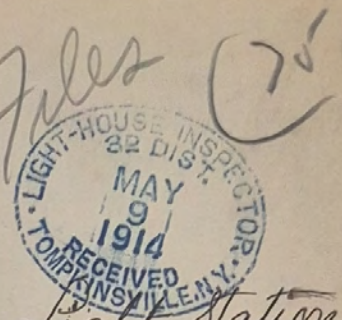
Signed- Thomas J.Scully.

Bureau of Lighthouses,Washington,
May 12 1914

To Lighthouse Inspector,....Tompkinsville, N.Y.
for remark and return.

Signed-Bowerman,
Acting Commissioner.

Price John J. Files (7)



Absecon Light Station
May 8th/14

Inspector

Mr John J. Price will go on duty at 2 A. M. on 9th may

Bills

Taken up as E O D May 1

Was on leave of absence

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Highlands, N.J., May 6, 1914.

Hon.T.J.Scully,
Broadway,
N.Y.City.

Sir:

Knowing you have taken an interest in the affairs of the Navesink Lighthouse, I take the liberty of addressing you upon this subject, respectfully calling your attention to facts which are unfair and unjust, if not allegal.

During Dec.,1913 one of the engines at this station became disabled. Second Assistant Keeper Price on watch called Keeper Bishop who came to start up the spare engine and during this time Bishop claims Price was insolent and entered a complaint to this effect to the Light house Department. In due time Price received the complaint with request for explanation. Price denied the charge(and as there was no witness it was a question of veracity between them) and handed reply to Bishop to forward as required by rules of Department;these rules also allow the Keeper to make endorsements as they wish to the assistants reply, which endorsement is not made known to the Defendant. In a separate letter, Price reported the Keeper for neglect of duty in caring for river light that had been reported extinguished and also had proof of neglect.

No reply was received by Price to either letter until last week when he was informed that his statement had been forwarded to Washington, and it had been decided to transfer him at first opportunity and therewith ordered him to Absecon Station at a salary of $455.00 per year, a decrease of $96.00 from salary at this station. It does not seem probable that it would take from December to May for the officers to arrive at this decision, and why should he not have been informed of the decision at once? This would have saved him considerable work in his garden and expense in checken yard,etc.

I have known Price for 4 years and cannot speak too highly of him. He is honest, sober, industrious and obliging man. For 2 years we have lived within 300 feet of him and family and have found them splendid neighbors and people we are proud to call friends;this is the reputation they bear wherever known excepting ofcourse Keeper Bishop, and papers already handled by you speak for him. Bishop's wife has told at least one family that "Price would be the next" and while they have been a long time at it they have succeeded at last. I sincerely believe the charge is simply a "frame up", for the purpose of having Price dismissed or transferred.

Is it not a fact that a Civil Service man shall not be transferred to a lower salary without a fair investigation or hearing? This, Price has not had, and does not even know what endorsement Bishop placed on his reply to charges,yet is transferred and is prevented by rules from employing any outside help, but must accept the transfer, resign or be dismissed. All of this too, under the Stars & Stripes, not Russia.

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Is there anything that can be done in a case of this kind? Price has gone to his new station, but if the transfer is allegal I believe he would gladly return to this station if it was revoked and was assured fair treatment.

I believe I voice the sentiments of the entire town when I appeal to you on behalf of the men of this Light Station for fair play and if it would be of any assistance to you I believe could get vouchers for Mr.Price from every prominent citizen and official of this town.

I might add that this station is one of the most desirable along the coast, not alone on account of location but salary is better yet there has been more transfers from here by request or forced than from many of the undesirable places and I have not heard of one ass't keeper that has a good word for the Keeper. Does not this point to the seat of the trouble? Surely all assistants are not undesirable.

Williams had authority to apply for any station in this district and applied for this station but apparanely the application was ignored as the vacancy caused by Price's transfer has already been filled. It looks as if all William's will get is his authority to apply for a station.

If you decide that this case is of sufficient importance to merit any action I sincerely trust you will give it your attention and if I can be of any assistance, please command me at any time.

Just a word about myself and am through. For seventeen years I have been employed as Marine observor by the W.U.Tel.Co., 13 years at Sandy Hook and 4 years at Highlands.W.U.Marine Observatory. My father whom you have met was for 21 years a member of the Life Saving Crew at Sandy Hook and was one of the crew, your steamer Navigator took to Atlantic City at time of stranding of Clyde Line Steamer Cherokee, so for last 17 years I have been associated with the L.S.S. and L.H.Service very closely and have a peculiar regard for these special branches of Govt.Service and it is thisxx, with my knowledge of your interest in this Navesink Light Station, coupled with my desire for fair play for the under man that urges me to impose upon you to this extent.I am quite sure any action you may deem advisable will be appreciated highly in this vicinity.

Sincerely yours,

Signed- S.F.PHILLIPS.

Price

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Navesink, L.S.

Highlands, N.J.

May 6, 1914.

Inspector:-

John J. Price, 2nd Ass't Keeper of Absecon, L.S. left this Station for Atlantic City, to-day.

Price Kpr.

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FWO/WJL

May 4,1914.

Thomas Bills, Keeper
Absecon Light Station,
Atlantic City, N.J.

Your letter of May 2nd 1914 relative to the matter of leave of absence that has been granted Mr.Price has been received.

In reply you are informed that this office is aware of the fact that there are but two keepers at the station in your charge at the present time and this fact was taken into consideration when Mr.Price was granted leave.

This office does not know of any reason why the Absecon Light Station cannot be cared for by yourself and one assistant keeper until Mr.Price reports for duty after the expiration of leave granted him.

Yates

See Absecon Lt

Price

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May, 1st 1914

Keeper Navesink Lt. Stn States 2d asst Kpr.
~~Pickup~~ Price finished Service on Apl. 29th
and 2 asst Kpr. Pickup entered on duty

Lee - Navesink Lt. Stn

Price John J. (75

Form 76

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LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Department of Commerce and Labor

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, 3rd DISTRICT

April 29,1914 , 191

John J.Price, 2nd Asst.Keeper,
Navesink Light Station,
Highlands, N.J.
(through the keeper)

Your application of April 28th , 1914 , for ten days leave of absence from April 29th 1914 to May 8th 1914 inclusive has been received, and your request is hereby granted, ~~provided~~ you furnish, at your own expense, a substitute competent in all respects to ~~perform~~ your duties and satisfactory to the Light-~~house Inspector.~~

Report by letter the date on which you leave the station, also the date on which you return to duty, ~~and give the name of the person employed as substitute~~. Keep this office, and also the person left in charge of the station, advised of your address while you are absent from duty.

In the absence and by direction of the Inspector.

F.W.Ockenfels

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Navesink Light Station
Highlands New Jersey
April 28th 1914



Inspector; Through the Keeper

I hereby acknowledge the receipt of my appointment as 2nd Asst. Keeper of the Absecon Light Station, to take effect on May 1st

As it is impossible for me to Get my furniture packed in such a short time, I respectfully ask for ten days leave from April 29th to May 9th

Price

Respectfully forwarded.
Robt A. Burnett
Keeper

Navesink -

D/WJL

April 27, 1914.

John J. Price, 2nd Asst. Keeper,
Navesink Light Station,
Highlands, N.J.
(through the keeper)

Referring to charges preferred against you by letter from this office dated December 12th 1913.

I have to inform you that the matter of charges referred to was referred to Washington and after giving the matter due consideration it was decided to transfer you to some other station as assistant keeper at the first opportunity.

An other letter of this date has been forwarded to you giving you instructions as to your transfer to the position of second assistant keeper at the Absecon Light Station.

Yates

See Price, John J.

JHG

April 14,1914

Returned to Commissioner with the information that it is considered probable that John J.Price, if transferred to the position of Assistant Keeper of Stratford Point Light Station,Conn., would work in harmony with the keeper.

Mr.Price has been in the service since November 1,1902, as follows:-

Nov.1,1902 to April 30,1904, 2nd assistant keeper, Montauk Point Lt.Sta.,N.Y.
May 1,1904 to Dec.31,1907, 1st Assistant keeper, Montauk Point Lt.Sta.
Jan.1,1908 to May 2,1909, 3rd assistant keeper, Navesink Light Station.
May 3,1909 to May 31,1910, as assistant keeper, New London Harbor Light Station.
June 1,1910 to Oct.24,1912 as 3rd assistant keeper, Navesink Lt.Sta.
October 25,1912 to present date as 2nd assistant keeper at Navesink Lt.Sta.

It will be noted that Mr.Price was employed at Navesink previous to his present assignment, and during his first tour of duty there is nothing to indicate that he had any difficulty. Outside of Mr.Price's difficulties during his present tour of duty, the records of this office do not indicate that he had trouble at any of the other stations where he was employed with the exception of Montauk Point. (Copy of letter dated October 4,1905, re his trouble at that station, is attached.)

Enclosed for the Bureau's consideration, is copy of letter dated April 10,1914, addressed to the Keeper of Navesink, and his reply thereto, dated April 11,1914.

Should the Bureau not desire to transfer Mr.Price to Stratford Point Light Station, it is recommended that John J. Price be transferred to the position of 2nd assistant keeper of Absecon Light Station,N.J.; that William J.Lavell, assistant keeper at Stratford Point Light Station be transferred to the position of 3rd assistant keeper at Navesink Light Station and Shrewsbury River Lights,N.J., and that William F.Petzolt, assistant keeper of Governors Island Light Station and Governors Island Extension Light Station be transferred to the position

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of assistant keeper at Stratford Point Light Station.

There are enclosed herewith nomination forms 73 and 73a covering the changes last named, and also forms 73 covering the transfer of John J.Price from the position of 2nd assistant keeper at Navesink Light Station and Shrewsbury River Lights, N.J. to the position of assistant keeper of Stratford Point Light Station,Conn., also the transfer of William J.Lavell, assistant keeper at Stratford Point Light Station,Conn., to the position of 3rd assistant keeper of Navesink Light Station and Shrewsbury River Lights,N.J.

Two sets of nomination forms are forwarded so that the necessary appointments can be obtained with the least possible delay, according to the changes the Bureau finally decides to make in the matter, the nomination forms not used to be returned to this office for cancellation.

YATES

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
Bureau of Lighthouses
Washington,

Theo. Judson,
conditions at station.

April 9,1913

Subject; Theo. Judson, conditions at station.

Returned to Lighthouse Inspector, Tompkinsville, New York, with statement that before submitting this case finally to the Department, the Bureau desires to know whether or not it is considered that J.J.Price, second assistant keeper of Navesink Light Station, etc.,N.J.,if transferred to the position of assistant keeper of Stratford Point Light Station, will work in harmony with the keeper, Theo.Judson. In giving Judson another trial for a period of one year, it is desired to send an assistant to his station who is known to have a disposition which will make it probable that he will get along well with keeper Judson, thereby preventing a recurrence of trouble, which the Bureau desires to avoid.

It is requested that you return all of these papers to the Bureau, with your further report and recommendation, in duplicate, and that you submit the necessary nomination forms (No.73) required to effect the transfers which involve new appointments. In cases where the transfers can be made without change in title or pay, forms 73a should be submitted.

See your letter of January 20,1914, and Department letter of February 7,1914, in the case of J.J.Price.

(Sgd.) PUTNAM

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Oct.4,1905

John J. Price, 1st Asst.Keeper,

(Through the Keeper) Montauk Point Lt.Sta.,

Montauk Point, New York

Sir:-

With reference to your complaint against Mr.Scott, Principal Keeper, Montauk Point Lt.Station, and his counter report against you, my decision is as follows:-

1. Mr. Scott has been instructed that it is his duty to treat the Asst.Keepers in an absolutely courteous manner.

2. I find that on March 31,1903, you were under the influence of liquor and that on July 14,1904, you left the station without permission. Either of these offenses was sufficient to cause your discharge provided it had been reported at the time. I do not think it fair to bring them up against you now.

You are now warned that this letter forms part of your record and may be considered in case any other offense is charged against you.

Respectfully,

(Sgd.) M.R.S.McKenzie

Captain, U.S.N.,

Inspector

FWO-LC

April 10, 1914.

Robert A. Bishop, Keeper,
Navesink Light Station,
Highlands, N.J.

This office has under consideration the matter of transferring Second Assistant Keeper Price to the position of Assistant Keeper at Stratford Point Light Station. There has recently been trouble between the Keeper and Asst.Keeper of Stratford Point Light Station, and your opinion is requested as to whether or not you think Mr. Price would be able to get along at Stratford Point Light Station, and conduct himself in such a manner as would promote an harmonious condition at Stratford Point.

Your prompt reply is requested.

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Navesink L. S.

Highlands, N.J.

April 11,1914

Inspector;

In reply to yours of the 10th inst. relative to the matter of transfer of second assistant keeper Price, and requesting my opinion as to his conduct.

I am of the opinion that where there are only two Keepers at a station, there is less liability of trouble between them and their families, and especially the absence of a desire to incite others against those in authority, as is and has been the case at this station.

Removed from such influences, Mr.Price I think will be agreeable, especially should there not be much work attached to the station, and the rules of the Dep't leniently observed.

(Sgd.) BISHOP

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Navesink L.S.,
Highlands, N.J.,
Jan.20,1914

Commissioner.

The following correspondence re John J.Price, Second Assistant Keeper at Navesink Light Station and Shrewsbury River Lights, New Jersey, is enclosed for the Bureau's consideration:-

1. Letter dated Dec.11,1913 from Robert A.Bishop, Keeper.
2. Copy of letter of charges dated Dec.12,1913 to John J. Price, Second Assistant Keeper.
3. Letter dated Dec.15,1913 from John J.Price.
4. Letter dated Dec.15,1913 from John J.Price.

In view of the fact that Mr.Price seems to be a source of trouble at this station, as shown by this and previous correspondence, it is recommended that he be transferred to some other station as Assistant Keeper, at the first opportunity. The approval of this transfer, which can be accomplished only by reducing the salary of Mr.Price, will not be in violation of Section 2 of Civil Service Rule I. There is no other station in this District where an assistant keeper receives as high a salary as Mr.Price receives at Navesink.

YATES

COPY-EJC.

Navesink L.S.,
Highlands, N.J.,
Dec.11,1913.

Inspector:

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I had no argument with him, and desire that your office should be acquainted with the facts.

SIGNED- B i s h o p.

FWO/RJC.

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REGISTERED.
RECEIPT REQUESTED.

December 12th, 1913.

John J.Price, 2d Asst.Keeper,
(Through the Keeper,)Navesink Lt.Station,
Highlands, N J E R S E Y.

The following charges are hereby preferred against you:

1. With failure to readily obey without question lawful orders given you by the Keeper of the Station on December 9th, 1913.

2. With conducting yourself in an insubordinate and disrespectful manner towards the Keeper of Navesink Light Station on December 9th, 1913.

Copy of letter of December 11th, 1913, from the Keeper of Navesink Light Station is enclosed for your information.

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Navesink Light Station,
Highlands, N.J.
Dec.15,1913

Inspector;

Through the Keeper.

In reply to the charges preferred by R.A.Bishop, Keeper. I beg to state Dec.9,'13 at 8:40 P.M. the oil pipe was breaking on No.1 engine. I started the primus lamp under the No.2 engine then called out the Keeper. The Keeper then instructed me to call out the 1st Assistant; the No.2 engine was working by 9.00 P.M. The Keeper then instructed me to shut down the No.1 engine, which order I was carrying out when he again called to me to attend to the No.2 engine.

I went to the Keeper and replied in a quiet and respectful manner as possible "The oil cups are full, the engine is running all right, I cannot do more".

The Keeper is making a false statement in saying that I remarked; "This is my watch and I dont need any orders what to do" The Keeper is always very excited when anything goes wrong at night, and is the only man that does the shouting and is disrespectful toward the Assistants. I dont dare to answer as he has made the remark before the 1st and 3rd Assistants "You will get yours in a few days".

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C O P Y

Navesink Light Station,

Highlands, N.J.

Dec.15,1913

Inspector;

Through the Keeper.

I beg respectfully to draw the Inspector's attention to the following.

The Keeper and Assistants received a letter dated June 5, 1912 signed by Conover, stating that the Keeper and all the Assistants must perform an equal amount of work and watches. This order the Keeper has ignored. He does not do his share of the River work or at the station. The Keeper has not been over the River lights since Mr.Luther was here with the pile driver. He does not take part in putting in or taking out the tanks or other work. When he has gone; he has taken an extra assistant along to do his work, as he is incapable and cannot handle himself in the boat. He will stand by giving orders and treating the assistants more like slaves than men. We dont dare to open our mouth or reply as we would be reported to the Inspector.

On one occasion the Keeper, 1st Assistant and myself started for the No.1 Dike Light as same was extinguished. A N.W. wind was blowing, the Keeper when half way got scared and turned back, on reaching the boat house it appeared to be calm. We then started a second time and when half way the Keeper again turned back put the boat in the boat house and returned to the station.

After dinner the Keeper gave orders to the three Assistants to go to the No.1 Dike and get the light going, which we did, notwithstanding the fact that the wind was stronger and the sea worse as the tide was then running ebb.

I wish also to draw the Inspector's attention to the fact that on Oct.2nd,'13 the 3rd Assistant reported Lower Rocky Point light out. The Keeper did not attend to this until Oct.3rd,'13. This is one of the most important lights on the River. I consider it serious neglect on the part of the Keeper, in allowing the light to remain extinguished for 24 hours after been reported.

These statements I can prove truthful by witnesses.

(Signed) PRICE

Respectfully forwarded.

(Signed) BISHOP

Navesink Lt Sta

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May 14,1914

Returned to Commissioner.

Under dated of May 27,1913, John J. Price, third assistant keeper, accused the keeper of Navesink Light Station of snubbing him, neglecting to instruct him personally as to daily work, also neglecting to inform him of rearrangement of watches. The explanation given by the keeper was considered satisfactory by this office, and on May 27,1913 charges were preferred against Mr.Price of making detrimental criticisms of the manner in which the keeper carried on the work at the station, and with conducting himself in such a manner as to interfere with the existence of a harmonious condition among the keepers at the station. Price denied the charges, and both he and the keeper were advised by this office that both must work in harmony and that if there was any further trouble of such nature, the office would be obliged to take such action as appeared necessary, which, in all probability, would seriously effect their status in the Lighthouse Service.

By endorsement dated July 28,1913, the Bureau forwarded to this office letter from Sidney Williams, formerly second assistant keeper at Navesink Light Station, making various complaints against the keeper of that station, amongst them being the trouble which had occurred between Mr.Price and the Keeper. As Mr.Williams seemed to have full information in regard to charges brought by Mr.Price, action taken, etc.,it seems very evident that he could only have obtained this information direct from Mr.Price, thus proving that Price was assisting Williams in his attack on the Keeper,

On August 25,1913, Mr.Price was charged with neglect of duty in having permitted oil cup on one of the engines at Navesink to shut off, causing the crank pin bearing to become hot, thereby stopping the engine and extinguishing the light for a period of eight minutes, and with violation of the rules in not calling the keeper at the time of the trouble. As it was not considered that this was willful neglect on Mr.Price's part, he was cautioned that should he be guilty of any further neglect of duty, consideration would be given to taking more drastic action in his case.

By letter dated December 11,1913, the Keeper advised this office that at about 9 P.M. on December 9,1913, Mr.Price called him to the power house and that he found one of the engines disabled. The keeper gave certain orders to Price, which Price resented nd stated he did not need any orders as to what to do. On December 12,191 this office charged Price with failure to readily obey orders given by the ke per, and with conducting himself in an insubordinate and disrespectful manner towards the keeper. By letter of Dec.15 Mr.Price denied the charges, and stated that the statement of the keeper was false.

Lee Price J.J

On January 20,1914 this office forwarded to the Bureau copies of correspondence re the charges of the Keeper, and recommended that, in view of the fact that Mr.Price seemed to be a source of trouble at Navesink Light Station, he be transferred to some other station as assistant keeper. This recommendation was approved under dated of February 7,1914 by the Department of Commerce, and on April 14,1914, it was recommended that Mr.Price be transferred to the position of second assistant keeper at Absecon Light Station,N.J.. The reason for the delay in transferring Mr.Price was that there was no position vacant to which he could be transferred prior to the vacancy which occurred at Absecon Light Station.

It is considered that the action taken in transferring Mr.Price to another station, which involved a reduction in pay, was justified by his conduct while at Navesink Light Station.

YATES

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THOMAS J.SCULLY
3rd DISTRICT,NEW JERSEY

COMMITTEE
RIVERS AND HARBORS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
WASHINGTON

May 11, 1914.

Hon.George R.Putnam,
Bureau of Lighthouses,
Department of Commerce,
Washington, D.C.

My dear Commissioner:

Enclosed herewith please find a communication from Mr. S.F.Phillips of Highlands, New Jersey, relative to the case of Second Assistant Keeper Price of the Navesink Lighthouse Station, which is self explanatory.

I will thank you to give this matter your kind consideration and favor me with a report of the case as soon as practicable.

Thanking you for past favors, I am,

Very truly yours,

Signed- Thomas J.Scully.

Bureau of Lighthouses,Washington,
May 12 1914

To Lighthouse Inspector,....Tompkinsville, N.Y.
for remark and return.

Signed-Bowerman,
Acting Commissioner.

Highlands, N.J., May 6, 1914.

Hon. T.J. Scully,
Broadway,
N.Y.City.

Sir:

Knowing you have taken an interest in the affairs of the Navesink Lighthouse, I take the liberty of addressing you upon this subject, respectfully calling your attention to facts which are unfair and unjust, if not allegal.

During Dec.,1913 one of the engines at this station became disabled. Second Assistant Keeper Price on watch called Keeper Bishop who came to start up the spare engine and during this time Bishop claims Price was insolent and entered a complaint to this effect to the Light house Department. In due time Price received the complaint with request for explanation. Price denied the charge(and as there was no witness it was a question of veracity between them) and handed reply to Bishop to forward as required by rules of Department;these rules also allow the Keeper to make endorsements as they wish to the assistants reply, which endorsement is not made known to the Defendant. In a separate letter, Price reported the Keeper for neglect of duty in caring for river light that had been reported extinguished and also had proof of neglect.

No reply was received by Price to either letter until last week when he was informed that his statement had been forwarded to Washington, and it had been decided to transfer him at first opportunity and therewith ordered him to Absecon Station at a salary of $455.00 per year, a decrease of $96.00 from salary at this station. It does not seem probable that it would take from December to May for the officers to arrive at this decision, and why should he not have been informed of the decision at once? This would have saved him considerable work in his garden and expense in checken yard,etc.

I have known Price for 4 years and cannot speak too highly of him. He is honest, sober, industrious and obliging man. For 2 years we have lived within 300 feet of him and family and have found them splendid neighbors and people we are proud to call friends;this is the reputation they bear wherever known excepting ofcourse Keeper Bishop, and papers already handled by you speak for him. Bishop's wife has told at least one family that "Price would be the next" and while they have been a long time at it they have succeeded at last. I sincerely believe the charge is simply a "frame up", for the purpose of having Price dismissed or transferred.

Is it not a fact that a Civil Service man shall not be transferred to a lower salary without a fair investigation or hearing? This, Price has not had, and does not even know what endorsement Bishop placed on his reply to charges,yet is transferred and is prevented by rules from employing any outside help, but must accept the transfer, resign or be dismissed. All of this too, under the Stars & Stripes, not Russia.

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Is there anything that can be done in a case of this kind? Price has gone to his new station, but if the transfer is allegal I believe he would gladly return to this station if it was revoked and was assured fair treatment.

I believe I voice the sentiments of the entire town when I appeal to you on behalf of the men of this Light Station for fair play and if it would be of any assistance to you I believe could get vouchers for Mr.Price from every prominent citizen and official of this town.

I might add that this station is one of the most desirable along the coast, not alone on account of location but salary is better yet there has been more transfers from here by request or forced than from many of the undesirable places and I have not heard of one ass't keeper that has a good word for the Keeper. Does not this point to the seat of the trouble? Surely all assistants are not undesirable.

Williams had authority to apply for any station in this district and applied for this station but apparanely the application was ignored as the vacancy caused by Price's transfer has already been filled. It looks as if all William's will get is his authority to apply for a station.

If you decide that this case is of sufficient importance to merit any action I sincerely trust you will give it your attention and if I can be of any assistance, please command me at any time.

Just a word about myself and am through. For seventeen years I have been employed as Marine observor by the W.U.Tel.Co., 13 years at Sandy Hook and 4 years at Highlands.W.U.Marine Observatory. My father whom you have met was for 21 years a member of the Life Saving Crew at Sandy Hook and was one of the crew, your steamer Navigator took to Atlantic City at time of stranding of Clyde Line Steamer Cherokee, so for last 17 years I have been associated with the L.S.S. and L.H.Service very closely and have a peculiar regard for these special branches of Govt.Service and it is thismx, with my knowledge of your interest in this Navesink Light Station, coupled with my desire for fair play for the under man that urges me to impose upon you to this extent.I am quite sure any action you may deem advisable will be appreciated highly in this vicinity.

Sincerely yours,

Signed- S.F.PHILLIPS.

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April 27,1914

John J. Price, 2nd Asst.Keeper,
Through the Keeper,
Navesink Lt.Sta.,
Highlands, N.J.

Enclosed herewith is Department letter of April 23, 1914, appointing you to the position of 2nd assistant keeper of Absecon Light Station,N.J.

In accordance therewith, you are hereby directed to report for duty at that station as 2nd assistant keeper, on May 1st,1914. Transportation will be at your own expense. Show this letter to the keeper, which will be his authority for assigning you to duty.

The keeper's name and address, is Thomas Bills, Atlantic City, N.J.

Acknowledge receipt of this letter.

YATES
Inspector.

Tompkinsville,N.Y.
April 27,1914
Copy to keeper of Navesink Lt. Sta.,for his information.
Report last day of service of Price as 2nd Asst.Keeper, and date on which Pickup enters on duty as 2nd assistant keeper.

Tompkinsville,N.Y.
April 27,1914
Copy to keeper of Absecon Lt.Sta.,for his information.
Report date on which Price enters on duty as 2nd Asst. Keeper.

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Price to OD as 2 A.K. Absecon on May 1-1914

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On leave of absence but C.C. says to take him up as to OD May 1

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April 27,1914.

John J.Price, 2nd Asst.Keeper,
Navesink Light Station,
Highlands, N.J.
(through the keeper)

Referring to charges preferred against you by letter from this office dated December 12th 1913.

I have to inform you that the matter of charges referred to was referred to Washington and after giving the matter due consideration it was decided to transfer you to some other station as assistant keeper at the first opportunity.

An other letter of this date has been forwarded to you giving you instructions as to your transfer to the position of second assistant keeper at the Absecon Light Station.

Yours

GENERAL APPOINTMENT

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

LIGHT
APR 25 1914
HOUSES

April 23, 1914.

Mr. John J. Price,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

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

~~Second Assistant Keeper~~

in the ~~Lighthouse Service~~

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

effective on the date on which you enter upon duty in the above-mentioned position.

(By transfer from second assistant keeper at $552 per annum.)

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(SIGNED) GEO. W. LEADLEY,

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Chief of Appointment Division.

Appropriation: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

Vice: Knud Hanson.

Legal Residence: New York.

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Form 73 JHG

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NOMINATION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR. Third DISTRICT,

Tompkinsville, N.Y. April 14, 1914, 191
(City) (Date)

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Action recommended, Transfer and demotion

Name, John J. Price — Legal residence, New York

Position, 2nd Assistant Keeper — Salary, $468 per annum

Location, Absecon Light Station, N.J. — Appropriation, Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses

Effective May 1, 1914 { the actual date of entrance on duty, or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty.

Former position, 2nd Assistant Keeper — Former salary, $552 per annum

Location, Navesink Lt. Sta. and Shrewsbury River Lights, N.J.

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

Previous incumbent, Knud Hanson — Services terminated, April 30, 1914

Reason, Promoted

Relatives in Government Service,

Remarks: Approval of this recommendation will not be in violation of Section 2 of Civil Service Rule 1.

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

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YATES

Secretary, Civil Service District

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

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

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Form 73 JHG

NOMINATION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, Third DISTRICT.

Tompkinsville, N.Y. (City.) April 14, 1914 (Date.) 191

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Action recommended, Transfer and demotion.

Name, John J. Price — Legal residence, New York

Position, Assistant Keeper — Salary, $480 per annum

Location, Stratford Point Lt.Station, Conn. — Appropriation, Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses

Effective May 1, 1914 {the actual date of entrance on duty, or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty.

Former position, 2nd Assistant Keeper — Former salary, $552 per annum

Location, Navesink Light Station and Shrewsbury River Lights, N.J.

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

Previous incumbent, William J. Lavell — Services terminated, April 30, 1914

Reason, Transferred

Relatives in Government Service,

Remarks: Approval of this recommendation will not be in violation of Section 2 of Civil Service Rule 1.

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

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Secretary, Civil Service District

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

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BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

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April 14,1914

Returned to Commissioner with the information that it is considered probable that John J.Price, if transferred to the position of Assistant Keeper of Stratford Point Light Station,Conn., would work in harmony with the keeper.

Mr.Price has been in the service since November 1,1902, as follows:-

Nov.1,1902 to April 30,1904, 2nd assistant keeper, Montauk Point Lt.Sta.,N.Y.

May 1,1904 to Dec.31,1907, 1st Assistant keeper, Montauk Point Lt.Sta.

Jan.1,1908 to May 2,1909, 3rd assistant keeper, Navesink Light Station.

May 3,1909 to May 31,1910, as assistant keeper, New London Harbor Light Station.

June 1,1910 to Oct.24,1912 as 3rd assistant keeper, Navesink Lt.Sta.

October 25,1912 to present date as 2nd assistant keeper at Navesink Lt.Sta.

It will be noted that Mr.Price was employed at Navesink previous to his present assignment, and during his first tour of duty there is nothing to indicate that he had any difficulty. Outside of Mr.Price's difficulties during his present tour of duty, the records of this office do not indicate that he had trouble at any of the other stations where he was employed with the exception of Montauk Point. (Copy of letter dated October 4,1905, re his trouble at that station, is attached.)

Enclosed for the Bureau's consideration, is copy of letter dated April 10,1914, addressed to the Keeper of Navesink, and his reply thereto, dated April 11,1914.

Should the Bureau not desire to transfer Mr.Price to Stratford Point Light Station, it is recommended that John J. Price be transferred to the position of 2nd assistant keeper of Absecon Light Station,N.J.; that William J.Lavell, assistant keeper at Stratford Point Light Station be transferred to the position of 3rd assistant keeper at Navesink Light Station and Shrewsbury River Lights,N.J., and that William F.Petzolt, assistant keeper of Governors Island Light Station and Governors Island Extension Light Station be transferred to the position

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of assistant keeper at Stratford Point Light Station.

There are enclosed herewith nomination forms 73 and 73a covering the changes last named, and also forms 73 covering the transfer of John J.Price from the position of 2nd assistant keeper at Navesink Light Station and Shrewsbury River Lights, N.J. to the position of assistant keeper of Stratford Point Light Station,Conn., also the transfer of William J.Lavell, assistant keeper at Stratford Point Light Station,Conn., to the position of 3rd assistant keeper of Navesink Light Station and Shrewsbury River Lights,N.J.

Two sets of nomination forms are forwarded so that the necessary appointments can be obtained with the least possible delay, according to the changes the Bureau finally decides to make in the matter, the nomination forms not used to be returned to this office for cancellation.

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Form 73 JJG

NOMINATION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, Third DISTRICT,

Tompkinsville, N.Y. (City.) April 14, 1914 (Date.), 191

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Action recommended, Transfer and demotion.

Name, John J. Price — Legal residence, New York

Position, Assistant Keeper — Salary, $480 per annum

Location, Stratford Point Lt. Station, Conn. — Appropriation, Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses

Effective May 1, 1914 — {~~the actual date of entrance on duty~~, or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty.

Former position, 2nd Assistant Keeper — Former salary, $552 per annum

Location, Navesink Light Station and Shrewsbury River Lights, N.J.

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

Previous incumbent, William J. Lavell — Services terminated, April 30, 1914

Reason, Transferred

Relatives in Government Service,

Remarks: Approval of this recommendation will not be in violation of Section 2 of Civil Service Rule 1.

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

Secretary, Civil Service District

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BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

April 16, 1914.

~~Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved~~

Returned to Third Inspector canceled, the Bureau having decided to recommend to the Department the approval of the recommendations contained in the last paragraph, page 1, of your letter of April 14, 1914. The nomination for the transfer of Price to Absecon Light Station has been submitted to the Department recommended for approval.

Acting Commissioner.

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Navesink L. S.

Highlands, N.J.

April 11,1914

Inspector;

In reply to yours of the 10th inst. relative to the matter of transfer of second assistant keeper Price, and requesting my opinion as to his conduct.

I am of the opinion that where there are only two Keepers at a station, there is less liability of trouble between them and their families, and especially the absence of a desire to incite others against those in authority, as is and has been the case at this station.

Removed from such influences, Mr.Price I think will be agreeable, especially should there not be much work attached to the station, and the rules of the Dep't leniently observed.

(Sgd.) BISHOP

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April 10, 1914.

Robert A. Bishop, Keeper,
Navesink Light Station,
Highlands, N.J.

This office has under consideration the matter of transferring Second Assistant Keeper Price to the position of Assistant Keeper at Stratford Point Light Station. There has recently been trouble between the Keeper and Asst.Keeper of Stratford Point Light Station, and your opinion is requested as to whether or not you think Mr. Price would be able to get along at Stratford Point Light Station, and conduct himself in such a manner as would promote an harmonious condition at Stratford Point.

Your prompt reply is requested.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE ~~AND LABOR~~
WASHINGTON



February 7, 1914.

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Commissioner of Lighthouses:

Receipt is acknowledged of the Bureau's communication of the 31st ultimo forwarding letter dated the 20th ultimo, and enclosures, from the Inspector of the Third District in regard to the conduct of John J. Price, second assistant keeper of Navesink Light Station, etc., New Jersey.

The Department has carefully noted the correspondence in the case and has taken into consideration the fact that for some time in the past Mr. Price has made determined efforts to create dissention at the station. In view of the circumstances, therefore, the Department has approved the Bureau's recommendation to the effect that Mr. Price be transferred to some other station as assistant keeper at the first opportunity, it being noted that such change must necessarily involve a reduction in salary.

E. F. Stuart

Assistant Secretary.

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington.
FEB 10 1914

To Lighthouse Inspector, Tompkinsville, N.Y.
for his information, guidance, and files of office.

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Acting Commissioner.

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Navesink L.S.,
Highlands, N.J.
Jan.20,1914

Commissioner.

The following correspondence re John J.Price, Second Assistant Keeper at Navesink Light Station and Shrewsbury River Lights, New Jersey, is enclosed for the Bureau's consideration:-

1. Letter dated Dec.11,1913 from Robert A.Bishop, Keeper.
2. Copy of letter of charges dated Dec.12,1913 to John J. Price, Second Assistant Keeper.
3. Letter dated Dec.15,1913 from John J.Price.
4. Letter dated Dec.15,1913 from John J.Price.

In view of the fact that Mr.Price seems to be a source of trouble at this station, as shown by this and previous correspondence, it is recommended that he be transferred to some other station as Assistant Keeper, at the first opportunity.

The approval of this transfer, which can be accomplished only by reducing the salary of Mr.Price, will not be in violation of Section 2 of Civil Service Rule I. There is no other station in this District where an assistant keeper receives as high a salary as Mr.Price receives at Navesink.

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COPY-EJC.

Navesink L.S.,
Highlands, N.J.,
Dec.11,1913.

Inspector:

On 9th ins't at about 9-P.M. I was called to the Power House by 2nd Asst.Keeper John J.Price, who was on watch, and found oil pipe leaking badly, which necessitated the use of the spare engine, which was done.

When the spare engine was started and the disabled one shut down, I was at the switch board attending the throwing of switches, and I called to Mr.Price to be careful and see that everything with the engine was all right, oil cups, etc., and as he was doing something about the disabled engine told him to attend to the one in use. He came to me at the switch board much excited, and said, "This is my watch, and I don't need any orders as to what to do." Disrespectful, and showing his disapproval of my orders to him.

I had no argument with him, and desire that your office should be acquainted with the facts.

SIGNED- B i s h o p.

FWO/RJC.

REGISTERED.
RECEIPT REQUESTED.

December 12th, 1913.

John J.Price, 2d Asst.Keeper,
(Through the Keeper,)Navesink Lt.Station,
Highlands, N E W J E R S E Y.

The following charges are hereby preferred against you:

1. With failure to readily obey without question lawful orders given you by the Keeper of the Station on December 9th, 1913.

2. With conducting yourself in an insubordinate and disrespectful manner towards the Keeper of Navesink Light Station on December 9th, 1913.

Copy of letter of December 11th, 1913, from the Keeper of Navesink Light Station is enclosed for your information.

You are directed to submit any statement you may desire to make through official channels within three days from the receipt of this letter. Any statement made must be couched in temperate language, free from countercharges and confined to the point at issue.

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Navesink Light Station,

Highlands, N.J.

Dec.15,1913

Inspector;

Through the Keeper.

In reply to the charges preferred by R.A.Bishop, Keeper. I beg to state Dec.9,'13 at 8:40 P.M. the oil pipe was breaking on No.1 engine. I started the primus lamp under the No.2 engine then called out the Keeper. The Keeper then instructed me to call out the 1st Assistant; the No.2 engine was working by 9.00 P.M. The Keeper then instructed me to shut down the No.1 engine, which order I was carrying out when he again called to me to attend to the No.2 engine.

I went to the Keeper and replied in a quiet and respectful manner as possible "The oil cups are full, the engine is running all right, I cannot do more".

The Keeper is making a false statement in saying that I remarked; "This is my watch and I dont need any orders what to do" The Keeper is always very excited when anything goes wrong at night, and is the only man that does the shouting and is disrespectful toward the Assistants. I dont dare to answer as he has made the remark before the 1st and 3rd Assistants "You will get yours in a few days".

(Signed) PRICE

Respectfully forwarded.

(Signed) BISHOP

C O P Y

Navesink Light Station,

Highlands, N.J.

Dec.15,1913

Inspector;

Through the Keeper.

I beg respectfully to draw the Inspector's attention to the following.

The Keeper and Assistants received a letter dated June 5, 1912 signed by Conover, stating that the Keeper and all the Assistants must perform an equal amount of work and watches. This order the Keeper has ignored. He does not do his share of the River work or at the station. The Keeper has not been over the River lights since Mr.Luther was here with the pile driver. He does not take part in putting in or taking out the tanks or other work. When he has gone; he has taken an extra assistant along to do his work, as he is incapable and cannot handle himself in the boat. He will stand by giving orders and treating the assistants more like slaves than men. We dont dare to open our mouth or reply as we would be reported to the Inspector.

On one occasion the Keeper, 1st Assistant and myself started for the No.1 Dike Light as same was extinguished. A N.W. wind was blowing, the Keeper when half way got scared and turned back, on reaching the boat house it appeared to be calm. We then started a second time and when half way the Keeper again turned back put the boat in the boat house and returned to the station.

After dinner the Keeper gave orders to the three Assistants to go to the No.1 Dike and get the light going, which we did, notwithstanding the fact that the wind was stronger and the sea worse as the tide was then running ebb.

I wish also to draw the Inspector's attention to the fact that on Oct.2nd,'13 the 3rd Assistant reported Lower Rocky Point light out. The Keeper did not attend to this until Oct.3rd,'13. This is one of the most important lights on the River. I consider it serious neglect on the part of the Keeper, in allowing the light to remain extinguished for 24 hours after been reported.

These statements I can prove truthful by witnesses.

(Signed) PRICE

Respectfully forwarded.

(Signed) BISHOP

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON



Caution. November 3, 1913.

Mr. John J. Price,
Second Assistant Keeper,
Navesink Light Station and
Shrewsbury River Lights, N. J.

Through 3rd Inspector, Tompkinsville, N. Y.

Referring to your letter of October 13, 1913 in regard to letter of caution which was addressed to you on September 26, 1913, for neglect of duty, in that you did not give proper care to the engine at the Navesink Light Station and Shrewsbury River Lights, New Jersey, on the night of August 17, 1913.

You are advised that a statement similar to that contained in your letter of October 13, 1913, made by you at the time of the investigation of the charges, and which covered practically the same ground as that under consideration, was given due weight and it is considered that the action taken in your case was justified by the circumstances.

The Bureau expects from you, as from all its employees, prompt, efficient and cheerful service, which is absolutely necessary for good discipline.

(Signed) L. B. Putnam
Commissioner

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington
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To Lighthouse Inspector ..... Tompkinsville, New York
For files of his office. By direction of the Commissioner:

Tompkinsville, N.Y., November 6th, 1913.

Forwarded to John J. Price, 2dAsst. Keeper, Navesink Lt. Station, & Shrewsbury River Lights, N.J. (Through the Keeper.)

Clark
Chief Clerk

FWO/EJC.

Price, Asst Keeper.

October 17th, 1913.

Forwarded to Commissioner:

Correspondence pertaining to the charges preferred against Mr. Price has heretofore been forwarded to the Bureau.

It is considered that the spirit of attached letter shows a troublesome disposition on the part of Mr. Price.

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October 13th, 1913.

Navesink Light Station and Shrewsbury River Lights, N.J.

Commissioner,
(Through the Keeper and Inspector.)

Your favor of September 26th, 1913 received a few days ago, and I fully note what you say in reference to the charges preferred against me by the Third Inspector, on August 25th, 1913, for neglect of duty in that I did not give proper care to the engine on the night of August 17th, 1913, as a result that the light was extinguished for about eight minutes; and that I also violated the rules by not reporting the matter to the Keeper at that time.

In reply to same would say, on August 27th, 1913, I wrote the Inspector, through the Keeper the following: Referring to your charges of August 25th, 1913, I admit that the oil cup was shut off, causing the crank pin to become hot; which I might have done in wiping of cup without my knowledge, resulting the extinguishing of the light for a period of about seven minutes.

Violation of rules in not calling the Keeper at time, beg to inform that we never had orders to do so since we received the new instructions. All previous orders and instructions in confliction with these orders are hereby revoked.

Referring to Mr. Bishop's letter of August 19th, 1913, I beg to inform that on August 17th, 1913 at 2:20 A.M. I called the First Assistant and after that went up on the tower, turned over light and also wind clock. In doing this engine stopped. I ran to power house where I met 1st Assistant, found trouble, started engine and got light going in about seven minutes.

At 8.00 A.M. the 1st Assistant told the Keeper, Mr. Bishop, about light been out. The Keeper then asked 1st Assistant, why he did not call him. 1st Assistant answered that he heard Mr. and Mrs. Bishop, talking upstairs, when he passed through the hall.

The Keeper then gave us the orders for the first time, since the new instruction was received at this station, to call him if any trouble at night.

I much regret that I should be considered guilty of neglect of my duties. I assure the department that it is my greatest aim to perform the duties that are involved upon me.

You will note that the Keeper's statements and mine are not the same. I am in a position and do solemnly affirm that my statements are correct. I would like to have an investigation that the Keeper may prove the charges that he unjustly made against me.

I assure you it is humiliating to me or anyone else to have false charges made without a chance to clear myself. The Keeper has threatened (and I can prove it) that 1st and 2nd Assistant dare not make any complaint to the Inspector, under the threat that they will be dismissed from the service. Commissioner; all I ask is fair play. Had the Keeper instructed me to have called him in case of trouble, prior to this accident, I certainly would have done so, but not having received any instructions at that time and when this accident happened it was on the change of watches, and my first thought was to get the engine started and the light going as quickly as possible. Where had I called the Keeper, the light would have been out at least twenty or thirty minutes, as the vaporizer would have cooled off and I would have had to heat the lamp. In an emergency like that I thought it was my duty to get the light going as quickly as possible, as I was held responsible during my watch. I have gone into this in great length, but I feel that I should do so in order to make matters clear. I feel that when the Keeper said I violated the rules in not calling him, he is doing me a great injustice, as I have said before at this time, we had never received from him such instructions, and furthermore, I have obeyed the Keeper in all the orders he has given me.

I do ~~not~~ think that if any one has violated the rules, it is the Keeper, to be awake in the House, light out, engine stopped, and not coming out to see what the trouble is. It seems an impossibility for the Keeper to be awake and not knowing the trouble as his quarters face the power house and tower, and as the engines are only a short distance from his quarters and making considerable noise, it seems almost an other impossibility .

Trusting that you will give this your careful consideration in and comparison with other reports.

Signed-Price.

Respectfully forwarded to 3rd Lighthouse Inspector.
Signed-Robert A.Bishop.
Keeper.

John J. Price

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

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John J.Price,
Keeper.

Copy

September 26, 1913.

LIGHT-HOUSE INSPECTOR 3D DIST.
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KINGSVILLE, N.Y.

Mr. John J. Price,
Second Assistant Keeper of Navesink Light Station
and Shrewsbury River Lights, New Jersey.
(Through Third Inspector.)

Referring to the charges preferred against you by the Third Inspector, on August 25, 1913, for neglect of duty, in that you did not give proper care to the engine on the night of August 17, 1913, as the result of which the light was extinguished for about eight minutes; and, also, that you violated the rules by not reporting the matter to the keeper at the time of its occurrence.

The Bureau regrets your delinquencies in this matter, and cautions you that should you be guilty of any further neglect of duty consideration will be given to taking more drastic action in your case.

The fact that you have been cautioned will be noted on the records of the Department, the Bureau, and those of the Inspector, as a part of your official history.

(Signed) G T Putnam
Commissioner.

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington
SEP 27 1913

To Lighthouse Inspector ..... Kingsville, N.Y.
for files of his office. By direction of the Commissioner:

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Acting Chief Clerk.

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BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
WASHINGTON

September 22, 1913.

LIGHT-HOUSE INSPECTOR
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TOMPKINSVILLE, N.Y.

Commissioner of Lighthouses:

The Department is in receipt of the Third Inspector's letter of the 11th instant, and enclosures, relative to the charges preferred against John J. Price, second assistant keeper of Navesink Light Station and Shrewsbury River Lights, New Jersey, for neglect of duty in that he did not give proper care to the engine on the night of August 17, 1913, as the result of which the light was extinguished for about eight minutes, and also that he violated the rules by not reporting the matter to the keeper at the time of its occurrence.

As it appears that Mr. Price was not guilty of willful neglect, the Department approves the Bureau's recommendation of the 17th instant to the effect that he be addressed a letter of caution, it being noted that a copy of the same will be furnished the Department for its files.

Albert Lee Thurman

Acting Secretary.

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington, September 26, 1913.

Referred to the Third Inspector for his information and files, there being inclosed a copy of the caution issued by the Bureau, on September 26, 1913. A copy of the caution has been furnished to the Department.

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Acting Commissioner

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September 11th, 1913.

Commissioner:

The following correspondence is forwarded herewith for the Bureau's consideration:

1. Letter of August 17th, 1913 from the keeper of Navesink Light Station.

2. Copy of letter of August 19th, addressed to the Keeper of Navesink Light Station.

3. Letter of August 21st from the Keeper of Navesink Light Station.

4. Copy of letter of August 25th addressed to John J.Price, 2nd Asst.Keeper, Navesink Light Station.

5. Letter of August 27th, received from John J.Price.

6. Letter of August 28th, received from the Keeper of Navesink Light Station.

It is considered that Mr. Price was negligent in permitting the oil cup on engine to be shut off, which caused the crank pin bearing to become hot, which stopped the engine and resulted in extinguishing the light. Also by reason of his failure to notify the Keeper of the Station that the light was extinguished, it being the first duty of an Assistant Keeper to notify the Keeper of a Station in the event of break down or stopping of machinery or extinguishment of the light.

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It is recommended that Mr. Price be cautioned against a re-occurence of this character and informed that such will necessitate more drastic disciplinary measures.

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COPY-EJC.

Navesink L.S. Highlands, N.J.
August 17, 1913.

Inspector:-

To conform to the orders of your office, I have to report that the light at this station was out for a period of eight minutes, as reported by the Ass't Keeper on watch.

The Keeper was not called, that fact being contrary to the written orders of the Dep't.

The occasion of the extinguishing of the light was caused by the crank pin of engine being hot, the same slowing down and stopping.

The time about 2;25 A.M. of this date, the Keeper on duty 2nd Ass't John J.Price.

Signed-Bishop.

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August 19th, 1913.

Bishop, Keeper,
Navesink Light Station,
Highlands, N.J.

Referring to your letter of August 17th, 1913, re light being extinguished.

Inform this office if the heating of crank pin was due to any negligence on the part of Asst.Keeper Price, also if he stated any reason for not calling you when the crank pin became hot.

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Navesink L.S. Highlands, N.J.

August 21, 1913.

Inspector:-

Referring to your letter of August 19, 1913, regarding heating of crank pin, etc.

Mr. Price called his relief at 2-20 A.M., and went into the tower to wind the clock, previous to turning the watch over to the 1st Ass't at 2-30 A.M.

When he came from the tower about 2-25, the engine slowed down, stopped. The 1st Asst. who was preparing to take the watch, heard the engine slow down and stop, came out found the trouble was a hot pin, and succeeded in starting the engine, cooled off the pin, the engine running through the night.

In reply to why I was not called, Mr. Price said he had called Mr. Andersen, and did not have time to do so.

Mr.Anderson says that he heard talking in my quarters when he passed through the hall, and supposed I was aware of light being out.

There is no doubt that the cause of the hot pin was the oil cup being shut off, and so reported by Mr.Anderson when he came to the power house, carelessness, and negligence on the part of Mr.Price.

SIGNED- Bishop.

Copy-EJC.

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REGISTERED
MAIL

August 25th, 1913.

John J.Price, 2nd Asst.Keeper,
Through the Keeper,
Navesink Light Station,
Highlands, N.J.

You are hereby charged with neglect of duty in having permitted oil cup on engine to shut off causing crank pin bearing to become hot, thereby stopping the engine and resulting in extinguishing the light for a period of eight minutes, at 2:25 A.M. on August 17, 1913 at Navesink Light Station, N.J., also with violation of rules in not calling the Keeper at the time of the trouble. A copy of letter from Keeper Bishop is attached herewith.

You are directed to submit any statement you may desire to make, through official channels, within three days from the receipt of this letter. Any statement made must be couched in temperate language, free from countercharges and confined to the point at issue.

If you desire to make no statement, you will so state in writing.

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Navesink Light Station,
Highlands, N.J.,
August 27th, 1913.

Inspector:

(Through the Keeper.)

Referring to your charges of August 25th, 1913. I admit oil cup was shut off causing crank pin bearing to become hot, which I may have done in wiping of cup, without my knowledge , resulting extinguishing the light for a period of seven minutes.

Violation of rules in not calling the Keeper at the time of trouble. I beg to inform you that we never had orders from the Keeper to do so since we received the new instructions, which read all previous orders or instructions in conflict with this general instruction are hereby revoked.

Referring to Mr. Bishop's letter of August 19th, 1913. I beg to inform you that on August 17t, 2:20 A.M. I called Mr. Anderson and after went up in tower to turn over lamp, and also wind clock. In doing this engine stoped, I run to Powerhouse where I met Mr. Anderson, found trouble, started engine and got light going again, in seven minutes.

At 8:00 A.M. Mr.Anderson told Mr.Bishop about light been out. Mr. Bishop then asked Mr. Anderson, why he did not call him. Mr. Anderson answered that he heard Mr. and Mrs.Bishop talking upstairs when he passed through the hall.

Mr.Bishop then gave us the orders for the first time, since the new instrucions was received at this station to call him if any trouble at night.

SIGNED-Price.

Respectfully forwarded.
SIGNED-Bishop.

Navesink L.S., Highlands, N.J.,

August 28th, 1913.

Inspector:

Referring to answer of charged made by your office against 2nd Asst.Keeper John J.Price, relative to the light being extinguished through his carelessness, etc;(Aug.27,1913)

Mr. Price states in his answer that he did not call me because all orders previous to the new"Book of Instructions" were countermanded, but every Keeper that has been at this station has been given that order by the Keeper.

There is a disposition on his part to ignore any orders given by the Keeper, and he complains when called upon to perform some duty that he considers unnecessary, making such complaints in the presence of all Keepers, such actions being detrimental to good discipline and good services.

On July 6th, 1913 (Sunday) the tower was not in good condition, caused by the many persons visiting the previous day, and I ordered the Keepers to go with me and clean the same, a matter of fifteen minutes work. Mr. Price complained about being called upon to perform any work on Sunday, and in the presence of all Keepers said it was the first time that he was called on to work on Sunday. Mr. Price is lacking in zeal, takes no interest in his work, is disrespectful at times when addressing the Keeper, and such actions are detrimental to good services.

Signed-Bishop.

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(Signature or name of addressee.)

(Signature of addressee's agent.)

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

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REGISTERED
MAIL

GENERAL DEPOT
OFFICE OF INSPECTOR, 3D DISTRICT
TOMPKINSVILLE, N.Y.

August 25,1913

John J. Price, 2nd Assistant Keeper,
Through the Keeper,
Navesink Light Station,
Highlands, N.J.

You are hereby charged with neglect of duty in having permitted oil cup on engine to be shut off causing crank pin bearing to become hot, thereby stopping the engine and resulting in extinguishing the light for a period of eight minutes, at 2:25 A.M. on August 17,1913 at Navesink Light Station,N.J., also with violation of rules in not calling the Keeper at the time of the trouble. A copy of letter from Keeper Bishop is attached herewith.

You are directed to submit any statement you may desire to make, through official channels, within three days from the receipt of this letter. Any statement made must be couched in temperate language, free from countercharges and confined to the point at issue.

If you desire to make no statement, you will so state in writing.

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COPY

Navesink L.S. Highlands, N.J.

August 21,1913

Inspector;

Referring to your letter of August 19,1913, regarding heating of crank pin, etc.

Mr.Price called his relief at 2-20 A.M., and went into the tower to wind the clock, previous to turning the watch over to the 1st Ass't at 2-30 A.M.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
Bureau of Lighthouses
Washington,

Theo. Judson,
conditions at station.

April 9,1913

Subject; Theo. Judson, conditions at station.

Returned to Lighthouse Inspector, Tompkinsville, New York, with statement that before submitting this case finally to the Department, the Bureau desires to know whether or not it is considered that J.J.Price, second assistant keeper of Navesink Light Station, etc.,N.J.,if transferred to the position of assistant keeper of Stratford Point Light Station, will work in harmony with the keeper, Theo.Judson. In giving Judson another trial for a period of one year, it is desired to send an assistant to his station who is known to have a disposition which will make it probable that he will get along well with keeper Judson, thereby preventing a recurrence of trouble, which the Bureau desires to avoid.

It is requested that you return all of these papers to the Bureau, with your further report and recommendation, in duplicate, and that you submit the necessary nomination forms (No.73) required to effect the transfers which involve new appointments. In cases where the transfers can be made without change in title or pay, forms 73a should be submitted.

See your letter of January 20,1914, and Department letter of February 7,1914, in the case of J.J.Price.

(Sgd.) PUTNAM

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June 6, 1912

Robert A. Bishop. Keeper,

Navesink Light Station.

Referring to letters of complaint forwarded to this office by Third Asst. Keeper Price and to comments thereon submitted to this office by you. You are informed that all work at this station must be accomplished efficiently and the Keeper and Asst. Keepers must work in harmony to obtain this result. The Keeper of the station as well as all Assistants must perform an equal amount of work and in turn keep equal watches. If there is any change in orders as to time of watches, the keeper must inform all Asst. Keepers accordingly and give all the Asst. Keepers instructions as to their daily duties.

You are further informed that if there is any further trouble of such trivial nature as the present matter, this office will be obliged to take such action as appears necessary in the premises, which, in all probability, will severely affect your status in this service.

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Navesink, L.S.

May 30, 1912.

Inspector:-

In reply to complaint of 3rd Ass't Keeper, John J. Price, etc.

I am not aware of "snubbing" Mr Price as he terms it, and have not failed to give him orders and instructions when it was necessary.

No fault finding, reproof, has been done and he has been treated as have all other Ass'ts with politeness, and respect.

The men are not at all times employed together, but when all are at one kind of work there is no need of ~~so doing~~ giving orders, but where I am not present, orders are given to the Ass't present next in rank, and the work is done under his supervision. This is my understanding of the way the work should be done and it has always been so performed without any comment from anyone.

Mr Price was notified of the change of watches, and was called for his watch as usual by the 2nd Ass't, who showed him the orders on the slate, and instructed him as to his watch, when he should call his relief, signed the watch book for his watch under the new change, and called his relief at the time prescribed. The following night he came out without being called, 30 minutes before the time, for him to go on watch, and stated that he had not been personally informed, but as he had already stood the watch the previous night, signed the

watch book for the change, he must have known that he was not required to be present until 9-P.M. I did not order Mr Price to his quarters, but he requested me to call him when his watch arrived.

I have since the installation of the light in 1898 been present at the first watch, as ordered by the department, and there has never been a night during that time, excepting when absent, that I have not ~~den~~ done so, the orders being signed by every Ass't present to make sure as the order stated, that they had seen it. Since the new orders were issued, I have stood the first watch, which is necessary, as investigation will show, and the length of this watch at the present time is of the longest, from 6-05 to 9-P.M.,

The statement that I stood a watch for the accommodation of the Ass'ts, and that I was not compelled to do so, was made at the time of the orders to that effect being in force, and there was never a case where an Ass't was sick or injured that I did not take his watch for him, sometimes months at a time.

Price

LIGHT-HOUSE INSPECTOR 2d DIST. MAY 28 1912 RECEIVED TOMPKINSVILLE N.Y.

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Navesink Light Station
N. J
May 27th 12

Inspector :-

(Through the Keeper)

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Respectfully forwarded

Price

Robt A Rasch
Keeper.

Recommended.

The removal of any person connected with the station who is inclined to make any trouble or cause dissatisfaction among others, to incite feeling, and who in the performance of duty shows no zeal, disinterestedness in the performing of same, complaining of his work etc.

An equal performance of the duties of keepers in all matters where it is possible to have it done, taking into consideration the fitness and ability of the keeper to perform the services required.

That in making complaints, and where the same are found vexatious, frivolous, or false, action should be taken.

That personal feeling shown among the residents of light stations, originating from the enforcing of Dep't orders, should be stopped.

That the duties that devolve upon the keeper, in his absence shall be assumed by the Ass't present, next in rank, as it is not so interpreted here.

Rasch

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May 29, 1912.

Referring to the Keeper, Navesink Light Station for proper endorsement and comment, covering the statement made in attached letter. The Keeper is also directed in future to make proper comment of all communications addressed to this office by Assistant Keepers.

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SUBJECT.

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LIGHT-HOUSE ESTABLISHMENT

OFFICE OF ENGINEER IN DISTRICT
GENERAL DEPOT

Tompkinsville, N. Y. 189

Light-House Engineer

SUBJECT:

No. 8 Inclosures

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Navesink, L.S.

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THIRD DISTRICT,

OFFICE OF ENGINEER, 3D DISTRICT,

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INCLOSURES.

SUBJECT:

May 23, 1912

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New Jersey Navesink Light Station

May 21, 1912

Inspector.

I respectfully lodge a complaint of the behavior of the keeper Robert A. Bishop toward me; for some time past he has repeatedly shubbed me, by neglecting to instruct me as to my daily work. Keeper gives instructions to the 1st and 2nd Asst. and I am left to either work by the 2nd Asst. instructions or act as I think best. This week the watches were rearranged I was not notified but left to go on watch what time I thought best. Since the receipt of the revised book of instructions he has stated to me that he is not compelled to stand a watch at all but he does it as an accommodation to the Assistants. The Assistants watches are changed weekly. The Keeper stands 1st watch all time from sunset to 8:30 p. m. I am anxious to avoid troubling the Inspector unnecessarily but the continuous snubbing by the keeper makes my position almost unbearable. There are other matters that should be brought before the Inspector's notice. I respectfully ask permission for an interview.

(Signed) Price

Respectfully forwarded

R. A. Bishop, Keeper

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR.

ALL COMMUNICATIONS SHOULD BE ADDRESSED TO "LIGHT-HOUSE ENGINEER, THIRD DISTRICT."

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INCLOSURES.

SUBJECT:

LIGHT-HOUSE ESTABLISHMENT,
THIRD DISTRICT,
OFFICE OF ENGINEER, 3D DISTRICT,
TOMPKINSVILLE, N. Y.,

May 23, 1912

J. J. Price, 3rd Asst. Keeper, (Through the Keeper)
Navesink Light Station.

Referring to your letter of May 21. You are informed that it is not considered that an interview is necessary. Any complaints or charges you have to make should be submitted to this office in writing in the manner prescribed by the Instructions to Keepers.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR.

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LIGHT-HOUSE ESTABLISHMENT,

THIRD DISTRICT,

OFFICE OF ENGINEER, 3D DISTRICT,

TOMPKINSVILLE, N. Y.,

May 23, 1912

Returned to the Keeper of the Navesink Light Station with request that he submit such statement as he desires to make in the premises, returning attached letter.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

LIGHT-HOUSE ESTABLISHMENT,
THIRD DISTRICT,
OFFICE OF ENGINEER, 3D DISTRICT,
TOMPKINSVILLE, N. Y.,

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LIGHT-HOUSE INSPECTOR 2D DIST. MAY 22 1912 RECEIVED TOMPKINSVILLE, N.Y.

LIGHT-HOUSE INSPECTOR 2D DIST. MAY 27 1912 RECEIVED TOMPKINSVILLE, N.Y.

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New Jersey Navesink Light-Station
May 21st 1912

Inspector:-

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Respectfully forwarded Price

Robert Bissett
Keeper.

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ALL COMMUNICATIONS SHOULD BE ADDRESSED TO "LIGHT-HOUSE ENGINEER, THIRD DISTRICT."

INCLOSURES.

SUBJECT:

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

LIGHT-HOUSE ESTABLISHMENT,

THIRD DISTRICT,

OFFICE OF ENGINEER, 3D DISTRICT,

TOMPKINSVILLE, N. Y.,

(75)

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(Signed) Price

Respectfully forwarded

R. A. Bishop, Keeper

Ex Bishop

Navesink Light Station
Highlands New Jersey
June 26th 1911

Inspector 3rd Light House Dictrict
Tompkinsville
New York

Through the Keeper

Sir

In reference to the circular of June 15 inst I am satisfied as assisant Keeper at this Station

Yours Respectfully
John J Price
3rd assist Keeper

Respectfully forwarded
Robt A Burnap
Keeper.

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Department of Commerce and Labor
LIGHT-HOUSE ESTABLISHMENT

OFFICE OF THE Inspector 3rd L. H. DISTRICT

Tompkinsville, N.Y., June 14, 1910
(DATE)

The Light-House Board,

Washington, D. C.

Sirs:

I have the honor to inclose herewith, properly filled out, the oath ~~and personal question sheet~~ of John J. Price (STATE CORRECT NAME OF APPOINTEE) who was appointed Third Assistant Keeper (STATE OFFICIAL TITLE HERE) at Navesink Light-Station & Shrewsbury River Lights, N.J. (STATE OFFICIAL NAME OF AID HERE) by Department letter of May 10,1910 (DATE) Mr. Price actually entered on duty under this appointment on June 1,1910 (DATE)

Oath dated June 13,1910.

Respectfully,

Captain, U.S.N., Inspector.

Strike out "Personal question sheet" if one has already been furnished.

Oaths and personal question sheets should be sent to this Office for transmission to the Department at the earliest practicable date.

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Highlands, N.J.
1st June 1910.

Light-house Inspector, 3rd Dis't,
Tompkinsville, N.Y.

Sir:-

Mr John J. Price arrived at this Station to-day, and was at once assigned to duty as 3rd Ass't Keeper.

Very Respectfully,
Robert Lisco
Keeper,
Navesink, L.S.

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May 21,1910.

Robert H. Bishop, Keeper,
Navesink Light-Station,
Highlands, N. J.

Sir:-

John J. Price has been directed to report to you for duty as Third Assistant Keeper. Please report promptly, by letter, the date on which Mr. Price enters on duty.

Respectfully,

R. M. DOYLE.
Captain U.S.N.,
Inspector.

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May 21,1910.

John J. Price,
Assistant Keeper,
New London Harbor Lt.,
New London, Conn.
(Through the Keeper)

Sir:-

I have to inform you that about the middle or latter part of next week the Tender "Pansy" will transport you and your personal property from the New London Harbor Light-Station to this depot and thence to the Navesink Light-Station.

You will have your personal property ready to place on board the Tender "Pansy" when she arrives so that the vessel will not be delayed.

Upon your arrival at the Navesink Light-Station you will show this letter to the Keeper which will be his authority for assigning you to duty.

Respectfully,

R. M. DOYLE.

Captain U.S.Navy,
Inspector.

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Department of Commerce and Labor
LIGHT-HOUSE BOARD
Washington

LIGHT HOUSE INSPECTOR
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John J. Price,
appointment.

May 14, 1910.

The Inspector of
The Third Light-House District,
Tompkinsville, New York.

Sir:

1. The Board acknowledges the receipt of your letter of the 12th instant stating that you have not been advised of the action taken upon your recommendation for the appointment of John J. Price as third assistant keeper at Navesink Light-Station, New Jersey.

2. In reply the Board states that Mr. Price's appointment was sent you on May 12, 1910.

Respectfully,

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

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May 12,1910.

The Light-House Board,

Washington, D.C.

Sirs:-

In accordance with the Board's letter of January 14th, 1910, I have the honor to submit below a list of correspondence from this office, as to which this office has not been advised of the action taken:-

April 26. Recommending appointment of John J. Price, Third Assistant Keeper, Navesink Light-Station, N. J.

Respectfully,

R. M. DOYLE.

Captain U.S.N.,
Inspector.

GENERAL APPOINTMENT

Department of Commerce and Labor
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF CLERK
Washington

5369

May 10, 1910.

Sir:

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

Third Assistant Keeper of Navesink Light-Station and Shrewsbury River Lights, New Jersey,

in the Light-House Service,

at a salary of Five Hundred and Twenty-eight dollars per annum,

effective beginning May 10, 1910, or as soon thereafter as you enter upon duty in the above-mentioned position.

(vice Sidney Williams.)

(By transfer from Assistant Keeper of New London Harbor Light-Station, Connecticut, at $40 per month.)

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(Signed) A. H. BALDWIN
Chief Clerk.

Mr. John J. Price.

Through the Light-House Board.

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Department of Commerce and Labor

LIGHT-HOUSE ESTABLISHMENT

Office of the Inspector, Third L. H. Dist.,
Tompkinsville, New York.

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

April 26, 1910.
(Date)

Sirs: I have the honor to recommend the (1) transfer
(Probationary appointment, transfer, promotion, etc.)
of (2) John J. Price of (3) N.Y.
(Name of person—letter for letter—as reported to Board) (State of legal residence)
from (4) Assistant Keeper,
(Official title of present position, as Keeper, First Assistant Keeper, etc.)
at (5) New London Harbor Light-Station, Conn.
(Official name of aid, as given in Light List, as Absecon Light-Station, N. J.)
at (6) $ 40 month to (7) Third Assistant Keeper,
(Salary now paid) (Official title of position, as Keeper, First Assistant Keeper, etc.)
at (8) Navesink Light-Station and Shrewsbury River Lts, N. J. at
(Official name of aid, as given in Light List, as Absecon Light-Station, N. J.)
(9) $ 44 per mo., effective beginning (10) May 6, 1910 ([redacted])
(Salary recommended)
(or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty)
(Strike out the clause not appropriate)
in the place of (11) Sidney Williams
(State name of *last* person holding position)
who (12) was promoted on (13) March 10, 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,

R. Rodgers
Captain U.S.N.,
Inspector.

Department of Commerce and Labor

LIGHT-HOUSE BOARD

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

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April 26,1910.

John J. Price,
Assistant Keeper,
New London Harbor Lt. Sta.,
New London, Connecticut.
(Through the Keeper).

Sir:-

In reply to your letter of April 25th, I have to inform you that you have been recommended for transfer and appointment to the position of Third Assistant Keeper at the Navesink Light-Station, N.J.

You will be transported to the Navesink Light-Station by Tender at the first opportunity.

Please be prepared to proceed to the Station named when a Tender is available.

Respectfully.

R. M. DOYLE.

Captain U.S.N.,
Inspector.

LIGHT HOUSE INSPECTOR
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New London Light Sta.
April 25th 1910.

The Lighthouse Inspector
3rd District
Tompkinsville N.Y.

Sir.

I would be pleased to accept transfer and appointment to the position of 3rd Assistant Keeper at Atlantic Highland N.J. Provided that it would be practicable for you to move my family and furniture to that Station, and I hope that you will give this matter your earnest consideration.

Respectfully
John J Price
1st Assistant Keeper

Respectfully forwarded.
Theodore DeShong
Keeper

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New London Harbor Light Station

New London
Conn March 28 1910

Captain R. M Doyle U. S. N
Inspector 3rd Light House Dist

Sir

your letter of the 26 inst received
In reply I would say I do not
Wish my name to be Considered
for transfer as Keeper of Stepping Stones
Light Station new yourk

Very Respectfully
John J Price
asst Keeper

Respectfully forwarded
Charles Field
Keeper

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LIGHT HOUSE INSPECTOR
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New London Harbor Light Station
New London. Conn.
March 24 - 10

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Capt. R. M. Woyle U. S. N.
Inspector 3rd Light House Dist

Sir:

Your letter of the 22nd inst received In reply I would say I do not wish my name to be considered for transfer as Keeper of the Green Ledge Light Station L. I. Sound

Very Respectfully

John J Price
Asst Keeper

Respectfully forwarded
Charles B Peele
Keeper

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New London Harbor Light House
New London Conn
Feb 26th 1910

Captain R. M Doyle U. S. N
Inspector 3rd Light House Dist
Sir

your letter of the 24 inst received in replay I would say I do not wish my name to be considered for transfer as Keeper of the Bluff Point Light station Valcour Island Lake Champlain

Very Respectfully
John J Price
asst Keeper

Respectfully forwarded.
Charles B Field
Keeper.

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Feb. 21, 1910.

John J. Price, Asst. Keeper,

(Through the Keeper),

New London Harbor Light-Station,

New London, Conn.

Sir:-

Your communication of 20th instant, requesting to be considered for appointment to the position of Keeper of New London Harbor Light-Station has been received. Same has been placed on file for consideration when the position becomes vacant.

Respectfully,

Captain, U.S.N.,
Inspector.

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New London Light House Feb 20 1910

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U S Light House Inspector 39
Third Dist
Tompkinsville
N. Y

Sir

I respectfully ask that I may be considered as an applicant for the position of Keeper of this station to be made vacant by the resignation of Mr C. B. Field

Very Respectfully
John J Price
asst Keeper

Respectfully forwarded
Charles B Field
Keeper.

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New London Harbor Light Station
New London Feb 5th 1910

Captain R. M. Doyle U.S.N
Inspector 3rd Light House Dist
Sir

Your letter of the 3rd inst
received In reply I would say I
do not Wish my name to be Considered
as Keeper Throgs Neck Light Station
Long Island Sound

Very Respectfully
John J Bird
asst Keeper

Respectfully forwarded
Charles B Field
Keeper.

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New London Harbor Light station
New London Conn
Dec 6th 1909

Captain C. Thomas U.S.N
Inspector 3rd Light House Dist

Sir

your letter of the 3 inst received
In reply I would say I do not
wish my name to be considered
for transfer a keeper of
Cald Spring Harbor Light station
Long Island Sound or
West Bond Light station new yorks
Lower Bay

Very Respectfully
John J Price
asst keeper

Respetfully forwarded.
Charles B Heed.

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New London Harbor Light Station
New London Conn
Dec 3 1909

Captain C Thomas U.S.N
Inspector 3rd Light House Dist
Sir

your letter of the 1st inst received In reply I would say I do not wish my name to be considered for transfer as Keeper of the Little Gull Island Light Station New York

Very Respectfully
John J Price
asst Keeper

Respectfully forwarded
Charles B Field
Keeper

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New London Light House 33
New London Conn
Oct 30th 1909

Captain L Thomas U.S.N
Inspector 3rd Light House Dist

Sir

your Letter of the 28 inst received
in reply I would say I do not
wish my name to be Considered
for transfer as Keeper of Pecker Ledge
Light station Connecticut

Very Respectfully
John J Price
Asst Keeper

Respectfully forwarded
Charles B Field
Keeper

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New London Light House
New London. Conn
Oct 27th 1909

Captain. C. Thomas U.S.N
Inspector 3rd Light House Dist
Sir

your letter of the 26 inst recined
in reply I would say I do not
wish my name to be considered
for transfer as Keeper Bluff Point Light
Station on Valcour Island Lake Champlain

Very Respectfully
John J Price
asst Keeper

Respectfully forwarded
Charles D Field Keeper.

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October 9th 1909

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New London Harbor Light Station
New London Conn

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Captain C Thomas U.S.N
Inspector 3rd Light House Dist
Sir

Your letter of the 8th inst
recived In reply I would say I
do not wish my name to be
Considered as keeper at Stamford
Habor Light Station or Calchester
Reef Light Station. Lake Champlain

Very Respectfully
John J Price
Asst Keeper

Respectfully forwarded
Charles B Field
Keeper.

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New London Light Station
New London Conn
July 16 1909

Sir

your letter of the 16 inst recived
In reply I would say I do not
wish my name to be considered
for transfer as keeper Cominicut Light
Station Rhode Island

Very Respectfully
John J Price
asst Keeper

Inspector 3rd Light House Dist

Respectfully forwarded.
Charles B Field
Kuper.

Form 95 LETTER TRANSMITTING OATH OR PERSONAL QUESTION SHEET

Department of Commerce and Labor
LIGHT-HOUSE ESTABLISHMENT

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OFFICE OF THE Inspector, 3rd. L. H. DISTRICT

Copy.

Tompkinsville, N.Y.

May 19th. 1909.
(DATE)

The Light-House Board,

Washington, D. C.

Sirs:

I have the honor to inclose herewith, properly filled out, the oath ~~and personal question sheet~~ of John J. Price
(STATE CORRECT NAME OF APPOINTEE)
who was appointed Asst. keeper in the Light House Service,
(STATE OFFICIAL TITLE HERE)
at New London Harbor Light Station(Conn.)
(STATE OFFICIAL NAME OF AID HERE)
by Department letter of May 11th. 1909. Mr. Price
(DATE)
actually entered on duty under this appointment on May 3rd. 1909.
(DATE)

Oath of office dated,
May 18,1909.

Respectfully,

Captain, U. S. Navy,
Inspector.

Strike out "Personal question sheet" if one has already been furnished.

Oaths and personal question sheets should be sent to this Office for transmission to the Department at the earliest practicable date.

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GENERAL APPOINTMENT—PRIOR DATE

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Department of Commerce and Labor
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
Washington

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May 11, 1909.

Mr. John J. Price, of New York, is hereby appointed

Assistant Keeper of New London Harbor Light-Station, Conn.,

in the Light-House Service,

at a salary of Forty dollars per month,

this appointment to be effective beginning May 3, 1909, he having entered upon duty on that date and since continuously served in the above-mentioned position. (vice Elmer J. Rathbun.)

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

(By transfer from Third Assistant Keeper of Navesink Light-Station, New Jersey, at $525 per annum.)

(Signed) ORMSBY McHARG
Acting Secretary.

Date of oath: , 190

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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 the Inspector, 3rd L. H. Dist.,
Tompkinsville, N.Y.,
May 5, 1909. (Date)

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

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Sirs: I have the honor to recommend the (1) transfer (Probationary appointment, transfer, promotion, etc.)
of (2) John J. Price (Name of person—letter for letter—as reported to Board) of (3) New York (State of legal residence)
from (4) 3rd-assistant Keeper, (Official title of present position, as Keeper, First Assistant Keeper, etc.)
at (5) Navesink Light Station, N.J. (Official name of aid, as given in Light List, as Absecon Light-Station, N. J.)
at (6) $525. per annum (Salary now paid) to (7) assistant keeper (Official title of position, as Keeper, First Assistant Keeper, etc.)
at (8) New London Harbor Light-Station, Conn. (Official name of aid, as given in Light List, as Absecon Light-Station, N. J.) at
(9) $540. per an. (Salary recommended), effective beginning (10) May 3, 1909 (the date
of his entrance on duty) ~~for as soon thereafter as he enters on duty~~ (Strike out the clause not appropriate)
in the place of (11) Elmer J. Rathbun (State name of *last* person holding position)
who (12) was transferred (Died, transferred, resigned, dismissed, etc.) on (13) April 27, 1909. (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.

This transfer which involves a reduction in pay is recommended at the request of Mr. Price.

Respectfully, Geo. N. Haywood
Lieut. Commander, U.S.N. Asst. to Inspr.
(In the absence, and by direction of Inspr.)

Department of Commerce and Labor

LIGHT-HOUSE BOARD

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

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NOTE.—This form should be sent to the Light-House Board in duplicate. Letters of declination, if any, should be sent with this letter.

This letter is returned for correction of items Nos. .....

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ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
"LIGHT-HOUSE INSPECTOR, THIRD DISTRICT,
TOMPKINSVILLE, N. Y."

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Department of Commerce and Labor

LIGHT-HOUSE ESTABLISHMENT

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GENERAL DEPOT
OFFICE OF INSPECTOR, 3D DISTRICT
TOMPKINSVILLE, N. Y.

April 30, 1909.

Charles B. Field, Keeper,

New London Harbor Light-Station,

New London, Conn.

Sir:

You are informed that Mr. John J. Price has been selected for the position of Assistant Keeper at the station in your charge, and has been directed to report for duty in the place of Mr. Rathbun, transferred.

Report promptly by letter the date on which Mr. Price enters on duty.

Respectfully,

C. O. Thurman

Captain, U. S. N.,
Inspector.

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April 30,1909.

Mr.John J. Price,
3rd Assistant Keeper,
Navesink Light Station,
Highlands,New Jersey.

(Through the Keeper),

Sir:-

You have been selected as assistant keeper at the New London,Connecticut,Light Station,and will proceed to that station as soon as practicable,transportation to be at your own expense. On your arrival you will report to the Keeper in charge and inform this office of the date of your departure from your present station and of your arrival at the new one.

The Tender DAISY will bring your personal effects to this Depot for transportation to New London on board the LARKSPUR next week.

Very respectfully,

C. Thomas.

Captain,U.S.Navy,Inspector.

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From Message

John J. Price Asst.
Keeper, Manesink will
accept Assistant
Keeper New London—
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property is packed ready
for removal——

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C.J.

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Sandy Hook
Light Station
April 29th. 1909

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Captain Chauncey Thomas U.S.N.
Inspector 3rd. L. H. Dist
Tompkinsville N. Y.

Sir.

Your letter of April 27th. 1909 requesting to be informed if I wish to be considered for the position of Assistant-Keeper of the New London Light Station Conn. I have received, and beg to state that I will accept the position

Respectfully
John J Price
act Keeper

Selected

C. J.

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
"LIGHT-HOUSE INSPECTOR, THIRD DISTRICT,
TOMPKINSVILLE, N. Y."

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Department of Commerce and Labor

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GENERAL DEPOT
OFFICE OF INSPECTOR, 3D DISTRICT
TOMPKINSVILLE, N. Y.

April 28, 1909.

John J. Price, Acting Keeper,
Sandy Hook Light-Station,
Fort Hancock, N. J.

Sir:

Mr. Howard Poe has been directed to relieve you as Keeper at the Sandy Hook Light-Station at the earliest practicable moment. You will please turn the station over to him on his arrival, together with all Government property for which you have been reponsible, taking a receipt therefor on form 31, in triplicate, one copy of which is to be forwarded to this office.

As soon as you have been relieved by Mr. Poe, you will please return to the Navesink Light-Station and resume your former duties at that station.

Respectfully,

C. Thomas

Captan, U. S. N.,
Inspector

LIGHT HOUSE INSPECTOR
THIRD DIST.
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Hook main Light Station N. J.
April 24th 1909

Captain C. Thomas U. S. N.
Inspector 3rd Light House District

Sir:-

Your letter of the 23rd inst
1909 received. In reply I would say
I do not wish my name to be considered
as Keeper of the Long Beach Bar Light
Station Gardners Bay. New York.
I respectfully ask to be sent back as
3rd Assistant Keeper at the Navesink
Light Station N. J.

Very Respectfully
John J Price
act Keeper

C. D.

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
"LIGHT-HOUSE INSPECTOR, THIRD DISTRICT,
TOMPKINSVILLE, N. Y."

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GENERAL DEPOT
OFFICE OF INSPECTOR, 3D DISTRICT
TOMPKINSVILLE, N. Y.

April 21, 1909.

John J. Price, Acting Keeper,
Sandy Hook Light-Station,
Ft. Hancock, N. J.

Sir:

In reply to your communication of the 19th instant, stating that you would like to stay at the Sandy Hook Light-Station, I have to inform you that another person has been selected for the position, and will be directed to enter on duty as soon as a person can be sent to relieve him at his present station.

Respectfully,

C. Thomas.

Captain, U. S. N.,
Inspector.

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Sandy Hook Light Station N. J
April 20th 09

Captain C. Thomas U. S. N.
Inspector 3rd Light House Distrck

Sir:-

Your letter of 17th inst
received. In reply I would say I
do not wish my name to be considered
as Keeper at Falkerners Island
Light Station Long Island Sound
Conn.

Very Respectfully
John J Price
act Keeper

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Sandy Hook Rear Light Station N. J
April 19th 1909

Captain C Thomas U.S.N
Inspector 3rd Light House Dist
Sir

I Would Wish to Stay at Sand Hook Rear Light Station until the Expiration of Mr Samuel Jewell sick leave a vacancy Should then occur I would like my name to be Considered as Keeper of this Station

Very Respectfully
John J Price
act Keeper

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Sandy Hook Light Station N. J
April 17th 1909

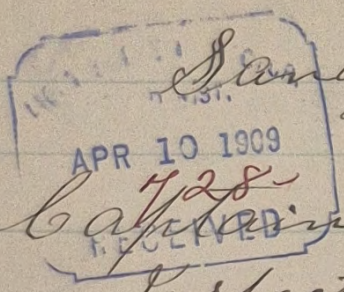
Captain C Thomas U S N
Inspector 3rd Light House Dist
Sir

your letter of the 15 inst received
In reply I would say I do not
wish my name to be considered
for transfer as keeper of the Stanford
Harbor Light station Long Island Sound

Very Respectfully
John J. Price
act Keeper

C.T.

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Stondy Hook main Light N J
April 9th 1909

Captain C Thomas U.S.N
Inspector 3rd Light House Dist

Sir

your letter of the 8 inst
recived In reply I would say
I do not wish my name to
be Considered for Transfer as
Keeper at Cold Spring Harbor
Light Station Long Island
Sound N.Y.

very respectfully
John J Price
act Keeper

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South Hook Beacon
Sandy Hook N. J.
April 1st 1909

Captain C. Thomas. U. S. N.
Inspector 3rd Light House District

Sir:-

I have the honor to advise you that on this day and date I have reported for duty and relieved Keeper Samuel Jelvell as instructed in your order of the 29th of March 1909

Yours Respectfully
John J Price
Keep

(Price is relieving Keeper Jelvell as per order of 3/29/09)

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Navesink Lt. Station 6
Highlands N. J. (7)
March 30th 1909

Captain C. Thomas. U. S. N.
Inspector 3rd. Lt House District

Sir:-

I hereby acknowledge the receipt of your letter of March 29th appointing me as temporary Keeper of Sandy Hook Lt. Station for a period of six months.

Will report by letter the date on which I relieve Mr. Samuel Jewell

Yours respectfully
John J. Price
3rd. Assistant Keeper

Respectfully forwarded
Robt. A. Bisset
Keeper.

C. P.

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TOMPKINSVILLE, N. Y."

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GENERAL DEPOT
OFFICE OF INSPECTOR, 3D DISTRICT
TOMPKINSVILLE, N. Y.
March 29, 1909.

John J. Price, 3rd. Asst. Keeper,
Navesink Light-Station,
Highlands, N. J.

Sir:

On April 1, 1909, you will please relieve Mr. Samuel Jewell as keeper of Sandy Hook Light-Station, and take temporary charge of the station, receiving all Government property for which Mr. Jewell has been responsible, giving him a receipt therefor in triplicate on form 31, one copy of which is to be forwarded to this office.

Please understand that this arrangement is temporary only, pending the action to be taken on Mr. Jewell's application for six months sick leave.

Report promptly by letter the date on which you relieve Mr. Jewell.

Acknowledge receipt of this letter.

Respectfully,

Captain, U. S. Navy,
Inspector.

Through the Keeper.

RLM-NO. ~~1333333~~ 728
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March 27, 1909.

John J. Price,
3rd-Assistant Keeper,
Navesink Light-Station,
Highlands, N. J.
(Through the Keeper)

Sir:-

Your communication of the 26th instant making application for a transfer to the position of Keeper of the Sandy Hook South Hook Beacons, has been received and placed on file for consideration when a vacancy at the station named occurs.

Respectfully,

F.W.Ockenfels.
Chief Clerk.
(In the absence, and by direction of the Inspector.)

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Narrows Staten Island N.Y.

March 26. 1909.

Sidewalk
Note and list
Entrance

Sir.

I Law the Lonor to ask yor to consider this an application for the vacancy at the 'Hook Light' as I am informed Mr Jewell intends resigning April first.

Respectfully.

John J Price
3rd Asst Keeper

To. Inspector.
3rd Lighthouse District.
Tompkinsville N.Y.

Respectfully forwarded
Robt A Rose
Chief Asst Keeper.

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Oct.4,1905

John J. Price, 1st Asst.Keeper,

(Through the Keeper) Montauk Point Lt.Sta.,

Montauk Point, New York

Sir:-

With reference to your complaint against Mr.Scott, Principal Keeper, Montauk Point Lt.Station, and his counter report against you, my decision is as follows:-

1. Mr. Scott has been instructed that it is his duty to treat the Asst.Keepers in an absolutely courteous manner.

2. I find that on March 31,1903, you were under the influence of liquor and that on July 14,1904, you left the station without permission. Either of these offenses was sufficient to cause your discharge provided it had been reported at the time. I do not think it fair to bring them up against you now.

You are now warned that this letter forms part of your record and may be considered in case any other offense is charged against you.

Respectfully,

(Sgd.) M.R.S.McKenzie

Captain, U.S.N.,

Inspector

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John J.Price,
1st Asst.Keeper,
Absecon Light Station,
Atlantic City, N.J

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Knud Hanson, Keeper,

Absecon Light Station,

Atlantic City, N.J.

Please inform this office by return mail whether or not the services of Assistant Keeper Price have been entirely satisfactory, and if so, state whether or not you consider him suitable and competent for promotion to the position of First Assistant Keeper at Absecon Light Station.

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1909 #728 Price, John J.

3-26	1	Let.from-asks to be considered for transfer to Sandy Hook when present keeper resigns.
3-27	2	Let.to- ack.let.from- asking to be considered for transfer to Sandy Hook.
3-29	3	Let.to Samuel Jewell, notified John J.Price directed to relieve him of sta.-Sandy Hook L.S. #601
3-29	4	Let. to - directed to relieve S.Jewell, keeper Sandy Hook take recpt.property, etc.
4-1	5	Let.from-repts. to duty relieving S.Jewell. Sandy Hook.
3-30	6	Let.from-ack.recpt. appt.-will notify his office when relieve Samuel Jewell.
4-8	7	Let.to ask if wish transfer to Cold Spring Harbor, #3003
4-9	8	Let.from-does not wish transfer to Cold Spring Harbor.
4-15	9	Let.to- ask if wish transfer to Stamford Harbor. #3003
4-17	10	Let.to- ask if wish transfer to Falkner Isld. #3003
4-19	11	Let.from- does not wish transfer, but would like Sandy Hook in case of vacancy.
4-21	12	Let.to- notified another personaselected for position at Sandy Hook.
4-17	13	Let.from-does not wish transfer to Stamford Harbor.
4-20	14	Let.from, does not wish transfer to Falkner Isld.
4-27	15	Let.to- ask if wish transfer to New London Harbor. #3003
4-24	16	Let.from- does not wish transfer to Long Beach Bar.
4-28	17	Let.to-notified Poe will relieve him- will then go to Navesink
4-23	18	Let.to-ask if wish transfer to Long Beach Bar. #3003
4-29	19	Let.from, will accept transfer as asst.keeper New London- also telephone message.
4-30	20	Let.to-New London, notified John J.Price will rept.as asst. keeper.
4-30	21	Let.to- notified of selection for asst.keeper at New London. Tender Daisy will transfer personal goods.
5-3	22	Let.from New London, repts.arrival of Price as asst.keeper. #116

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4-85 48 Let from, would accept transfer as 3d asst kpr at Atlantic Highlands

4-26 49 Let to, stating rec for transfer 3d asst kpr at Navesink LS.

4-26 50 Let to Bd, rec transfer from Asst kpr New London Harbor, to 3d asst.kpr. Navesink LS

5-14 51 Let from Bd, ack rect let stating we have been advised of action taken upon recommendation for appt of,- as 3d asst kpr of Navesink LS. Price's appt was sent on 5/12/1910. 307

5-21 52 Let to John J. Price, Middle or latter part of next week "Pansy" will transport you and personal property from New London Har. LS to this depot and then to Navesink LS.

5-21 53 Let to Kpr of Navesink LS, stating John J. Price directed to rept to him for duty. as 3d asst kpr.

5-21 54 Let to Master of Pansy, Wehn asst inspect. fin with Pansy ret to Depot, and bring aboard tender John J. Price, asst kpr New London Harbor, also personal property. 307.

6-1 55 Let from Navesink LS, - arrived at sta today and assigned as 3d asst kpr.

5-10 56 Appt of, as 3d asst kpr Navesink LS and Shrewsbury Rv Lts.

6-14 57 Fwds to Bd oath etc of John J. Price

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5-5	23	Rec.appt. transfer of, from 3rd Asst. at Navesink to asst. Keeper at New London Harbor.
5-11	24	Appt.of John J.Price, asst.keeper of New London Harbor.
5-19	25	Let.to Bd.transmits oath Office for John J.Price-asst.keeper New London Harbor.
7-16	26	Let.to- ask if wish transfer to Conimicut. #3003
7-16	27	Let.from-does not wish transfer to Conimicut.
10-8	28	Let.to- ask if wish transfer to Stamford Harbor, & Coochester Reef. #3003
10-9	29	Let.from,-does not wish transfer to Stamford Harbor or Colchester Reef.
10-26	30	Let.to- ask if wish transfer to Bluff Pt. #3003
10-28	31	Let.to- ask if wish transfer to Pecks Ledge. #3003
10-27	32	Let.from, does not wish to be considered for transfer to Bluff Pt.
10-30	33	Let. from, Declines transfer to Pecks Ledge.
12-1	34	Offers transfer to Kpr.Little Gull Island. #3003
12-3	35	Let.to- ask if wish position keeper West Bank & Cold Spring Harbor. #3003
12-6	36	Let.from-does not wish transfer to Cold Spring Harbor, or West Bank.
12-3	37	Let. from,does not wish transfer to Little Gull-
1910. 2-3	38	Let.to, ask if wish transfer to Throgs Neck. #3003
2-20	39	Let.from,ask for transfer to New London Harbor.
2-21	40	Let.to, notified appl.for transfer to New London Harbor, placed on file.
2-24m	41	Let.to, ask if wish transfer to Bluff Pt. #205
3-22	42	Let.to asks if wish s transfer to Greens ledge. #3003
2-5	43	Let. from-declines Throgs Neck-
2-26	44	Declines keepership Bluff Point,
3-26	45	Let to Offers position of Kpr. Stepping Stones. #179
4-24	46	let from, declines appt to Greens Ledge
3-28	47	do do STEPPING STONES

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John J.Price $456.a.

2 Asst.Keeper,Absecon,

Light Station.

John J.Price,,2nd Asst.Keeper,
Absecon Light Station,
Atlantic City,N.J.

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Cross-file UNIT John J. Price Number 75

Letter from A.S. MacVaugh to Supt.

Date June 11, 1935

Subject Complaints registered against ex-Keeper John J. Price of Absecon Light Station, by A.S. MacVaugh of Atlantic City, N.J.

Original filed under

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ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
TOMPKINSVILLE, N Y.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHT-HOUSE INSPECTOR 3d DIST. NOV 22 23 1917 RECEIVED TOMPKINSVILLE N.Y.

THIRD DISTRICT

Absecon Light station
(Station, Depot, or Vessel)

Nov 22, 1917

Inspector;

Through the Keeper
I ask for information are ~~are~~ i
allowed any liberty at this
Station as long as there are only
two keepers I have 14 days due me

John J Price
1st assist Keeper

Forwarded
Kind Knox
Keeper

advice to be guided by
leave at time keeper
Matters

TRO/EJC.

November 23rd.1917.

John J.Price, 1st Asst.Kpr.,
(Through Knud Hanson,Keeper),
Absecon Light Station,
Atlantic City,N.J.

In reply to your letter of November 22nd, you are advised that leave of absence may be taken in accordance with the regulations for two-keeper stations during the time there are only two keepers at the station, with the proviso, however, that until such time as there are three keepers at the station, not more than two consecutive days of leave is to be taken without furnishing at your own expense, a competent substitute to perform your duties.

J.T.YATES

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Carried other letter

Abscon Light Station
Atlantic City N.J.
July 30th 1917

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Inspector:-

Owing to the condition of things at this Station, and by the advice of Mr Hanson the Keeper, I feel forced to enter the following complaint against Mr Price 1st asst Keeper.

For the past year he has done nothing but nag. has refused to relieve me and take his watch in the tower compelling me to leave the tower and be relieved at his dwelling.

I have asked to have the watches so arranged that Mr Hanson Keeper, would relieve me, instead of Mr Price, 1st asst. as the watches are so arranged that at present Mr Price 1st asst. always relieves me. Mr Hanson Keeper has refused to allow this change.

On the night of July 30th 1917 I rang Mr Price's bell for ten minutes and then was compelled to come out of

the tower. and ask one of his children to call him. this has occured repeatedly and Mr Price has used such profane language. such as calling me a God Dam stinking liar, and so forth, claiming that I never rang his bell.

Every time he calls me more insulting names and seems to me tries to incite me to strike him.

I am glad to refer to my past record in Service and regret very much that after most six years of service I have to enter this complaint. And I gladly refer to Mr Burke, and Mr Nelson both of Great Capt Isld Lt Sta. who are my former Keepers. as to my being of a peaceable disposition, and a reliable and trustworthy asst Keeper.

Respectively
Samuel L. Wright
2nd asst Keeper

Forwarded
Hanson Keeper

FWO-WJL

August 1,1917.

Knud Hanson,Keeper,
Absecon Light Station,
Atlantic City,N.J.

This office has received the complaint dated July 31st 1917 submitted by Second Assistant Keeper Wright which was forwarded to this office by you without any comment or remarks whatever. It appears to be necessary to call your attention to the fact that you are the keeper in charge of Absecon Light Station and it is your duty to take proper measures to adjust such matters as are reported by the Second Assistant Keeper, and if unable to do so submit the matter to this office giving full and detailed information but in no case is any report or complaint by an assistant keeper to be forwarded by you without proper comment or report.

You are directed to look into the matters reported by Second Assistant Keeper Wright and to adjust them if possible, and if you are unable to do so you will take action in accordance with the above instructions.

J T Yates

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

July 1, 1928.

Mr. John J. Price,

Through the Chief, Bureau of Lighthouses.

Sir:

You are advised that under the Welch Act your compensation has been changed as indicated below, effective July 1, 1928.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

EDW. J. GARDNER,

Chief of Appointment Division.

From: $1200

To: $1260

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

LIGHTHOUSES
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January 31, 1925.

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M. John J. Price,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

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

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

EDW. J. GARDNER,

Acting Chief of Appointment Division.

Position: Keeper.

Salary: $1140.

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

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Form A-21

NOTICE OF CHANGE IN SALARY
KEEPERS—LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

June 25, 1925.

Mr. John J. Price,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

You are advised that your salary as keeper in the Lighthouse Service has been changed from $ 1140 per annum to $ 1200 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,

(SGD) W. J. GARDNER.
Acting Chief of Appointment Division.

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