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Aids desired in
St. Marks River.

June 20, 1919.

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Superintendent of Lighthouses, New Orleans, La.

1. The Bureau has been informally advised by Dr. Palmer, Department of Agriculture, who has been visiting in the neighborhood of St. Marks Light Station, Fla. in the interests of that department, that that portion of St. Marks River between its mouth and the mouth of the Wakulla River is difficult of navigation, especially the stretch for about one and a half miles south of Four Mile Point. He states that there is quite an amount of light commerce in and out of the river and many fishing boats, the owners of which desire that the river be marked by aids to secure navigation at night, the channels being very narrow and tortuous.

2. Your report and recommendation in the matter is desired, with estimate of cost, if any aids are necessary.

Acting Commissioner

Dr. Palmer called on H/3/19

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St. Marks Light
Station, Florida.

June 25, 1919.

Superintendent of Lighthouses, New Orleans, La.

1. The Bureau has been informally advised that Mr. John Gresham, the Keeper at St. Marks Light Station, Florida, is contemplating moving from the station, for the reason that he is unable to get a teacher or school facilities for his children, two of whom are of school age.

2. You are requested to state whether such complaint has been made to you, and if so whether means can be taken to remedy the matter, as outlined in Regulations, 1916, Art. 470.

3. Submit report and recommendation.

Report to Palmer (agl dept) on 6/21 TC

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St. Marks Light
Station, Florida.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

June 23, 1919.

SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES JUN 27 1919 NEW ORLEANS

LIGHT JUL 7 1919 HOUSES

Superintendent of Lighthouses, New Orleans, La.

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3. Submit report and recommendation.

Hydrog.
Engr. Cons.
Mar. Engr.
~~Personnel~~ Chief 7/25
Accounts.
Contracts
Chf. Clk
Dep. Comm'r
Comm'r.

EP-LEC

Office of Superintendent of Lighthouses, 8th Dist
New Orleans, La., July 3, 1919

Noted HHM July 7

1. Returned to The Commissioner of Lighthouses, Washington.

2. No such complaint has been made to this office by J. Y. Gresham, Keeper of St. Marks Light Station, Fla.

3. In February, 1918, Mr. Gresham requested transfer from Cape San Blas Light Station to St. Marks Light Station, Fla. A vacancy occurring, he was accordingly transferred, promoted and appointed from Assistant Keeper to Keeper of the last named station. There is an eighth grade school at St. Marks, Fla., approximately six or seven miles distant from the light station.

4. The matter will be taken up with Mr. Gresham and he will be offered some vacancy, for which he is considered suitable, where school facilities are available close to the station, when opportunity offers.

Lanphier.
Superintendent of Lighthouses.

This is based on visit here by Mr Palmer agl sept

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JUL 14 1919
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June 20, 1919.

7/20/19 Mr. Palmer
copy to 8th.

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Engr. Comr. 7/14/19
Mar. Engr.
Personnel
Accounts.
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Chf. Clk.
Dep. Comrs.
Comnr.

Acting Commissioner.

ESL-LEC

Office of Supt. of Lighthouses, 8th District
New Orleans, La., July 10, 1919

1. Returned to The Commissioner of Lighthouses, Washington.

2. No request for additional aids to navigation in the St. Marks River has been received by this office. From information at hand, it is believed that the commerce is small and unimportant consisting only of small, shallow draft craft used in fishing outside of the entrance. It is believed that the commerce does not warrant the expense of lighted aids to make the tortuous channel navigable at night to its full depth, and that there has been no trouble in navigating in the daytime.

3. In view of the more important work now in progress in this district, the demands for aids to navigation in more important localities, and, in the absence of any request for the aids referred to from those regularly using the channel, it is recommended that no further action be taken in this matter at the present time.

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Superintendent of Lighthouses.

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Aids to navigation,
St. Marks River, Fla.

July 25, 1919.

Dr. T. S. Palmer,
Biological Survey,
Department of Agriculture,
Washington, D. C.

Sir:

1. Referring to your recent visit to this office, suggesting the establishment of aids to navigation in St. Marks River, Fla., between its mouth and the mouth of Wakulla River, to facilitate navigation by night.

2. I beg to state, after careful investigation, that it appears, from information at hand, that the commerce in this locality is carried on by small, shallow draft craft, used in fishing outside the entrance, and in view of the necessity for the expenditure of available funds for the establishment and maintenance of aids to navigation at localities of greater importance, it is not believed that the establishment of the aids suggested would be warranted at the present time. It appears that the channel may be navigated during the day without difficulty.

Respectfully,

J. S. Conway

Acting Commissioner.

COPY to Superintendent of Lighthouses, New Orleans, La., for his information, guidance and files of office, attention being invited to his report of July 10, 1919.

J. S. Conway

Acting Commissioner.

ABS

Mem

This kept on sep mem re Dr. P's statmt re Kyle's school facil. &c at L.S. filed by Conn's direction TJC 7/25

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Aids to navigation,
St. Marks River, Fla.

August 18, 1919.

Mr. John Williams,
St. Marks, Fla.

Sir:

1. Referring to your letter of August 1, 1919, addressed to Senator Duncan U. Fletcher, and inclosing petition signed by citizens of St. Marks, Fla., in regard to aids to navigation in the St. Marks River, Fla.

2. I beg to advise you that this matter is under consideration and you will be further advised in regard thereto at an early date.

Respectfully,

Acting Commissioner

COPY respectfully transmitted to Hon. Duncam U. Fletcher, United States Senate, Washington, D. C., for his information. You will be further advised in regard to this matter.

Acting Commissioner

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

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

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

August 13th, 1919.

6 Inclosure Received

9/20/19 Wrote D N Fletcher
" " Copy & 8th & Mr. J Williams

St. Marks River, Fla.,
Petition for Lighted Aids.

8/19/19

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Comm.

Elec Aug 14 Concur T & So adm & ltr & So reply complete

Commissioner of Lighthouses:

1. Enclosed herewith is letter dated August 1st, 1919 from Mr. John Williams, County Commissioner and Notary Public, of St. Marks, Fla., transmitting petition signed by the citizens of St. Marks, Fla., for the establishment of 14 lighted aids in the St. Marks River.

2. The commerce of St. Marks is small and unimportant and does not warrant the expenditure which would be necessary for the establishment of that number of lights.

3. Due to the shallow and tortuous channel it would require a great number of lighted aids to make the channel navigable at night. It is therefore recommended that no additional lighted aids be established in the St. Marks River, Fla.

Concur

Lanphier
Superintendent of Lighthouses.

See Supt's report 8/20/19 Hdqrs 9/25/19

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington
AUG 19 1919

Returned approved. Advise interested parties.

Commissioner.

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Office Of
John Williams.
County Commissioner,
Notary Public.

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St. Marks, Fla. Aug. 1 1919



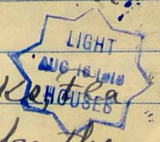
Superintendent Lighthouse District.
New Orleans. La.

Dear Sir:- I am enclosing petition Enclosure
citizens asking for lights on our creek,
We are at a serious loss by not having them
as stated in our "Reasons"
Your careful attention is requested

Very truly Yours
John Williams

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To the

Superintendant of Lighthouses, New Orleans La.

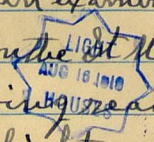
The undersigned, citizens of St Marks and vicinity respectfully represent by the accompanying memorandum, the need of fourteen lights in the St Marks river to mark the channel for after-dark travel and hereby request that you examine the conditions there existing when we believe you will be able to make a favorable report on our request.

John. Sands
H. A. White.
J. H. Stewart
C. R. Jones
C. A. Deaderick
C. R. Ivey
D. M. Hardie
Geo. B. Roberts
J. D. Warren
J. W. Ward
Earl H. Warren
John H. Worrell
T. M. Linton
E. Mims
Perry L. Linton
Bryan Jones
W. E. Kennedy
M. A. Kinard
Earl Carswell
J. P. Donaldson

A. P. Hargrett.
Gulf Coasting Co. Oysters
John Williams
Nathe McDonald
Willie Barton
Amos Roberts
Walter Ralphs
Chas. Gamble
W. H. Linton Wholesale Fish
Samuel Lamb Jr
J. C. Scott
John A. McPherson
Tony Pope
E. J. Clemons
Rhuen Donaldson Jr.
J. Nail
W. C. Worrell
Leon Hargrett
R. B. McGregor
J. C. Oliver

1 Amos Burgett
2 Alex Triplett
3 Thomas Hawkins
4 J. E. Forbes County Game Warden
5 Jeffrey Vertier
6 George Kinsley
7 J W Roberts
8 Willie Farmer
9 J. F. Ward
10 James Scoolt
11 G W Ellison
12 H. Howard
13 R. C. Floyd
14 Chief Henderson - Leesburg, Fla,
15 B. F. Bolly La Belle
16 J. Asa Kal Williams, Shell Fish Commissioner
17 Chas A Finley - Secretary Fla State Senate.
18 Capt C. Dieksall. Capt Yacht Seafoam
19 C Dieksall Jr Engineer Yacht Sea Foam
20 Enos W Green St Marks Packing Co. Wholesale Fish
21 Jos. Gavin
22 J.B. Brooks
23 A B Brewster
24 Bossie Hawkins
25 Doc Dillard
26 John Linton
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The petitioners whose names are attached to the accompanying request for an examination into the needs for channel lights in the St Marks river respectfully offer the following reasons for the establishment of such lights:

There are now about fifty (50) fishermen who come regularly in and out of St Marks as a point of sale for their catch. On account of the narrow, crooked channel they are usually prevented from making trips during the night and thereby are at a serious loss frequently losing the best part of a day's tide by such detention.

Much increased business could be developed by securing additional fishermen if the channel was made secure for night travel.

Many Sponge boats are forced to come into our river by stress of weather or other cause and need the lights to make a safe run.

We believe the placing of fourteen (14) lights on points designated would give sufficient protection for the purposes designated! One light each at Long Bar – Red Stake, Spray Bar, Folly Bar – Jackson House Bar – Below Rock Gap – Rock Pile – Bar next above Jones' Bar, Possum Gap – Four-mile Point, Four-mile Point Lump – Triangle Stake and Rock pile.

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ESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
NEW ORLEANS, LA.

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

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHT
AUG 22 1919
HOUSES

OFFICE OF I... INSPECTOR, 8TH DISTRICT
NEW OR...LEANS, LA.

Engr. Cons.
Mar. Engr.
Personnel
Accounts
Supply
Stat. Off.

August 20, 1919.

Subject: Bureau's indorsement of August 18, 1919 on letter of August 1, 1917, from John Williams of St. Marks, Fla., to Senator Duncan Hugh Fletcher, which was referred to the Bureau by indorsement from the Bureau of Navigation.

1. Returned to the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

2. Report was forwarded to the Bureau on August 13th, relative to the attached petition, which is a copy of the original.

3. It might be suggested to Senator Fletcher that if the narrow tortuous channel near the mouth of the St. Marks River were improved by the United States Engineers that it would be practicable to navigate the channel without the excessive number of aids petitioned for. That until the channel is improved the present amount and character of the commerce would not warrant the establishment of the 14 lighted aids requested by the petitioners.

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Superintendent of Lighthouses.

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LIGHT HOUSES

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
BUREAU OF NAVIGATION
WASHINGTON

108255-N August 11, 1919

Application received of Hon. John Williams of St. Marks, Fla. together with petition signed by representative citizens of that community, with a view to determining the positions at which certain lights should be placed in order to mark the channel

9/23 Note Hon Fletcher

Sec. Com
Asst. Sec.
Personnel
Accounts
Contracts
Chf. Clk.
Pub. Comm.
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Respectfully referred to the Commissioner of Light Houses, for action.

Senator Fletcher who forwarded the letter has been so advised.

Respectfully,

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E. Chamberlain
Commissioner.

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All sigs seem to be all in 1 handwriting
JMC Aug 12

Office Of
John Williams.
County Commissioner,
Notary Public.

St. Marks, Fla. Aug 1 191 7

Hon Duncan U. Fletcher - U.S. Senator
Washington. D.C.

1919 AUG 9 AM 8

Dear Sir:- By the accompany papers you will see we are trying to get lights to mark our channel. They are much needed & we are confident it would increase our business materially if they can be put in. We will see that your efforts in our behalf meet with reciprocal help at the proper time.
Trusting you may be able to help us out of the darkness I am

Very Truly Yours
John Williams

AUG 22 1919 LIGHT HOUSES

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Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington
AUG 18 1919

To Superintendent of Lighthouses New Orleans, La

for investigation and return with report and recommendation.

Gillette
Acting Commissioner.

— Copy —

NAVIGATION
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To the
Superintendent of Lighthouses New Orleans, La

LIGHT
AUG 22 1919
HOUSES

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W. A. White	Gulf Packing Co. by W. R. Hicks
J. N. Stewart	John Williams
E. R. Jones	Nath. McDonald
C. F. Frederick	Willie Barton
C. R. Ivey	Amos Roberts
D. M. Harris	Walker Rollins
Scott Roberts	Chas Lamble
J. J. Warren - Wholesale Fish	W. F. Linton Wholesale Fish
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E. Oliver	E. J. Clemons
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6	R. J. Floyd	C. W. Henderson
7	W. W. Dolby	J. A. Williams Shell Fish Commissioner
8	Enos M. Green	Chas A. Finley Rep Fla State Senate
9	Jno Gavin	Capt. C. Duckwall Capt Yacht Sea Foam
10	J. B. Brooks	C. Duckwall Jr Engineer " " "
11	A. B. Brewster	S. H. Hendricks Packing Co. Wholesale Fish
12	Bossie Hawkins	
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September 25, 1919.

Aids to navigation,
St. Marks River, Fla.

Hon. Duncan U. Fletcher,
United States Senate,
Washington, D. C.

Sir:

1. Referring to letter dated August 1, 1919, addressed to you by Mr. John Williams, County Commissioner and Notary Public, St. Marks, Florida, in regard to aids to navigation in the St. Marks River, Florida, which was referred to this office for attention by the Commissioner of Navigation of this Department.

2. I beg to state that this matter has been carefully investigated, and that owing to the narrow tortuous channel near the mouth of the St. Marks River, and the present amount and character of commerce on this river, the Bureau does not feel warranted in establishing the large number of lights which would be required to render the same navigable at night. However, should improvements be made to this river at some future time so that it would be practicable to navigate the channel at night without the seemingly excessive number of aids petitioned for, the Bureau will be pleased to give further consideration at that time to the establishment of aids to navigation in the locality requested.

Respectfully,

Acting Commissioner.

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Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington,D.C.,
September 25,1919.

Copy respectfully transmitted to Mr. [redacted] John Williams, St. Marks, Florida, for his information.

Acting Commissioner

MC

Bureau of Lighthouses, Wash.,D.C.Sept.25,1919.

Copy forwarded to Superintendent of Lighthouses, New Orleans, La., for his information, guidance, and files, attention being invited to your letter of August 20,1919.

Acting Commissioner

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ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
NEW ORLEANS

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

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JUN 1 1920
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OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT, 8TH DISTRICT
NEW ORLEANS, LA.
May 28, 1920.

Hydrog.
Engr. Corps
Mar. Engr.
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Chf. Clk.
Dep. Comr.
Comnr.

for record
June 1st

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St.Marks L.S., Fla.
school facilities

Commissioner of Lighthouses:

1. John Y. Gresham, Keeper of St. Marks Light Station, Florida, makes application to this office for the payment of subsistence and traveling expenses of a teacher. There are three children of school age at St. Marks Light Station. The nearest school is located at St. Marks, seven miles distant from the lighthouse, and there is no person in the vicinity of St. Marks Light Station who employs a teacher.

2. In accordance with Bureau Circular No. 68 of October 14, 1918, on this subject, it is recommended that payment of transportation of teacher from St. Marks, Florida, to St. Marks Light Station, and return, and of subsistence of teacher at light station while teaching, be authorized.

E. S. Lamphier
Superintendent of Lighthouses.

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as in 5th dist
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WPH-DS Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington, D. C., June 5, 1920.
Returned to Superintendent of Lighthouses, New Orleans, La., approved as recommended. In case, however, there should be other children in the vicinity who might take advantage of the teacher's visit to St. Marks Light Station, consideration should be given, if practicable, to such children also receiving instruction together with the keeper's children, with the understanding that the expense of travel and subsistence will be borne pro rata to the number of children instructed.

Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses.

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Form 80
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

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RECOMMENDATION AS TO AIDS TO NAVIGATION

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES. 8th LIGHT HOUSE DISTRICT.

3919A

New Orleans, La., August 13, 1921.

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

The following recommendation is submitted for the consideration of the Bureau:

1. Name of aid: St. Marks Light Station, Florida.
2. Locality: Entrance St. Marks River, Fla.
3. Proposed action: Build 325 feet wharf; walks at station, repair water closet, gallery floor and store house.
4. Necessity: To maintain station.

Hydrog. Engr. Com. Mar. Engr Personnel Accounts. Contracts Chf. Clk. Dep. C. Messr.

5. Total estimated cost: $3200.00
6. Appropriation: G. E. L. H. S. 1922.
7. Payment: To be made from funds allotted.
8. Maintenance estimated, annual cost: Nothing additional.
9. Authority is also requested to purchase ~~the~~ material needed, and not now on hand, at an estimated cost of $ 70.00, in accordance with law ~~and regulations, and~~ to do the work by ~~contract~~ bond, ~~or~~; hired labor ~~and force~~ $2181.00; ~~crew of vessels $~~. This method of performance being considered the cheapest and most advantageous to the service.
10. The reasons for requesting authority to do this work partly or wholly by hired labor rather than contract are: More economical and expeditious.
11. Additional description and information:
Lumber from stock.

E. S. Lanphier.
Superintendent of Lighthouses.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
Washington,

AUG 16 1921

Returned to the Superintendent of Lighthouses, approved as recommended, except as noted. You will proceed with the work and report its status, until completed, in your Monthly Report of Operations.

G. R. Putnam
Commissioner.

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Form 83

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ESTIMATE OF COST OF PROPOSED WORKS

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

NAME OF AID: St. Marks L.S., Fla. OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES 8th DIST.

PROPOSED WORK: Rebuild wharf, repair walks, etc. New Orleans, La., August 13, 1921.

ITEMS, QUANTITIES, AND UNIT PRICES		AMOUNT
5850 ft. B.M. Lumber @ $64.00 per M		$ 374.40
6600 ft. " creosoted lumber @ $87.00 per M		574.20
Paints and oils		21.60
Bolts, nails, etc.		48.40
Labor:		
1 Foreman 2-1/4 mos. @ $125.00	$312.50	
2 Carpenters 2¼ " " 85.00	382.50	
4 Laborers 2¼ " " 70.00	630.00	
1 Cook 2¼ " " 75.00	168.50	1493.50
Subsistence, 8 men, 2-1/4 mos. @ $1.00 per day		540.00
Transportation and incidentals		147.90
Total		$3200.00

Estimate prepared by FAM

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Form 80
DEPARTMENT OF COMM
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

FAM:JK

RECOMMENDATION AS TO AIDS TO NAVIGATION

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES 8th DISTRICT.

SPECIAL
TELEGRAPHIC REPLY IS DESIRED

1931 JAN 28 AM 7 59

New Orleans, Louisiana, Jan. 26th, 1931.

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

The following recommendation is submitted for the consideration of the Bureau:

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1. Name of aid: St. Marks, L. H., Fla.
2. Locality: Entrance to St. Marks Channel.
3. Proposed action: Dredge channel 4 feet deep to Lighthouse Service boat landing.
4. Necessity: To enable keeper's boat, also tender's cargo boats, to land.

Airways
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Mar. Engr
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Personnel
Finance
Law & Prop.
Chief Clerk
Adm. Assist.
Dep. Comm
Commissioner

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OK-HH
Jan 28/31

5. Total estimated cost: $200.00.
6. Appropriation: "G.E.L.H.S./31."
7. Payment: To be made from funds allotted.
8. Maintenance estimated, annual cost: Nothing additional.
9. Authority is also requested ~~to purchase the material needed, and not now on hand,~~ at an estimated cost of $200.00, in accordance with law and regulations, and to do the work by contract without bond, $ ~~, hired labor and depot force, $~~ ~~, crew of vessels, $~~. This method of performance being considered the cheapest and most advantageous to the service.
10. ~~The reasons for requesting authority to do this work partly or wholly by hired labor rather than contract are:~~

11. Additional description and information: The landing at boathouse cannot be reached at low tide and in order to deliver supplies from a tender's boat articles are carried through the water. It is necessary to dig a channel four feet deep which will permit boats of tenders and keeper's launch to land. This can be done most economically at this time, as the St. Marks Channel is being dredged by the War Department at this time.

E. J. Langlier.
Superintendent of Lighthouses.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
Washington,

January 28, 1931

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Returned to the Superintendent of Lighthouses, approved as recommended, except as noted. You will proceed with the work and report its status, until completed, in your Monthly Report of Operations.
See Bureau telegram of this date.

F. P. DILLON,
Acting *Commissioner.*

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Commissioner of Lighthouses.

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Washington D C January 28 1931

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RELATIVE DREDGING CHANNEL SAINTMARKS LIGHTHOUSE SEE BUREAU APPROVAL FORM EIGHTY DATED JANUARY TWENTY EIGHTH FOR THIS WORK P/SOLICITED BID FROM ENGINEER DEPARTMENT DREDGING CONTRACTOR HAVE RECEIVED ADVICES FROM KEEPER SAINTMARKS DREDGING WORK COMPLETED AND DREDGE DEPARTED THEREFORE WORK CANNOT BE ACCOMPLISHED AT PRESENT TIME=

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Phoned this to Mr Henderson Bio Survey at 4 pm, with regrets: Said he was sorry. HM Jan 31/31

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February 2,1931.

Hon. Tom A. Yon,
House of Representatives,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Yon:

Referring to your communication of January 29,1931, in regard to establishing lights and ranges in newly established channel, St. Marks River,Florida:

This matter is being investigated, and you will be further advised in regard thereto at an early date.

Yours very truly,

G. R PUTNAM
Commissioner of Lighthouses.

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(On Orig Papers)

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington
FEB 2 - 1931

To Superintendent of Lighthouses, Mobile, Ala.

For investigation and return with report and recommendation.

W. P. HARMAN
Acting Commissioner

TOM A. YON
3D DIST. FLORIDA

RESIDENCE:
TALLAHASSEE, FLA.

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Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
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January 29, 1931.

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Honorable George R. Putnam, Commissioner,
Bureau of Lighthouses,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Putnam:

2/3/31 Answd Copy & Ltr

I am advised by the President of the Tallahassee Chamber of Commerce that the dredging of the St. Marks River, authorized by Congress last July, is about completed. I think they have taken up the subject of lights and ranges for the newly established channel with you directly but I am writing to ask that you give this matter your early attention.

Sincerely yours,

Tom Yon

Y:B

Member of Congress.

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington
February 2, 1931.
To Superintendent of Lighthouses, New Orleans, La.
for investigation and return with report and recommendation.
W. P. HARMAN.
Acting Commissioner

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

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OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT, 8TH DISTRICT
NEW ORLEANS, LA
February 6, 1931

2-12-31 W... 8th, HB.

SUBJECT: Bureau indorsement of February 2, 1931, File No. 3019-A, on letter of January 29, 1931, from Hon. Tom Yon, M.C., relative to aids to navigation in the St. Marks River, Fla.

2/13/31 Wrote Cong. Yon 8th Copy

1. Returned to the Commissioner of Lighthouses:

2. See Bureau approval of June 3, 1930, File No. 3348, on Form 80 of this office relative to re-arrangement of day beacons in the St. Marks River. See Bureau approval, undated, File No. 3348, on Form 80 of May 19, 1930, authorizing the establishment of St. Marks Range Front Light and St. Marks Light No. 1, when funds are available.

3. There are fifteen single-pile day beacons in St. Marks River, and it would be quite expensive to establish that number of lights.

4. In view of the more important projects for which funds and equipment are not now available, no additional lights will be recommended for the St. Marks River, Fla.

E. S. LANPHIER
Superintendent of Lighthouses

Advise Cong.
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This is M.C. who has lately taken notice on floor of House of this condition in Fla.

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LIGHTHOUSE COMMISSIONER

2/13/31 Wrote Long Key - copy 8K

WASHINGTON DC

RETEL STMARKS AIDS PROPOSALS NOW BEING SOLICITED REARRANGEMENT DAY BEACONS STMARKS RIVER STOP NO FUNDS AVAILABLE ESTABLISHMENT STMARKS RANGE FRONT LIGHT AND LIGHT NUMBER ONE STOP IF FUNDS PROVIDED CAN ERECT TWO LIGHTS LAST NAMED IN ABOUT FOUR MONTHS, IF CHOCTAWHATCHEE BAY WORK, TO BE PAID FROM HURRICANE DAMAGE APPROPRIATION, DEFERRED UNTIL LATER DATE

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Lighthouse Superintendent New Orleans Louisiana

two forms eighty may nineteen nineteen thirty saint marks river in view dredging operations advise when you expect to establish these aids wire reply

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February 13, 1931.

Hon. Tom Yon,
House of Representatives,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Yon:

In further reply to your inquiry of January 29, 1931, regarding the status of improvements to aids to navigation in the St. Marks River, I am pleased to advise you that proposals are now being solicited for the rearrangement of beacons to conform to the newly dredged channel. A separate project for the establishment of lights to mark the entrance to St. Marks River has also been approved, and it is hoped that the program of district operations may reach this project by the time that funds for the fiscal year beginning July 1, next, become available.

Very truly yours,

G.R. PUTNAM
Commissioner of Lighthouses.

HDK:EBF

Copy to Superintendent of Lighthouses, New Orleans, La. Please consider the use of prismatic reflectors on the beacons now being rearranged. These have been found valuable for any vessels using even a small searchlight.

H.D. KING
Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses.

HDK:EBF

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NEW ORLEANS, LA.

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TELEGRAPHIC REPLY IS DESIRED

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE
LIGHTHOUSES

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St. Marks Light Station, Fla. 1933 OCT 23 AM 9:09

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

October 21, 1933.

Commissioner of Lighthouses:

1. This office has received advice from the Keeper of St. Marks Lighthouse that there is a small suction dredge available in the St. Marks River for the purpose of dredging a channel for the launch leading from the boathouse at St. Marks Lighthouse out to deep water.

2. Bidsare being solicited today and the Keeper advises that the rate for the dredge will be about $55.00 per day. The owner of the dredge states that he will move it away from St. Marks in several days therefore, authority is requested in advance to employ the services of the dredge for a period of three days with the privilege of having additional work done at the same rate per day charged for the three days work. It is proposed to dredge a channel about three feet deep at very low tide in order that the launch may reach the light station wharf when such tides prevail.

3. It is requested that this work be approved, to be paid from funds heretofore allotted. The work is of unusual character and therefore submitted to the Bureau in advance so as to avoid delay in placing the order.

E. S. Lamphier,
Superintendent of Lighthouses.

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CAP:ORM COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES

Washington D C October 21 4 1933

Lighthouse Superintendent
New Orleans Louisiana

Your letter twentyfirst hire dredge authorized fix limit number days use contractor assume responsibility safety his own equipment

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CONFIRMATION

Form 97
ESL:LEC

REQUEST AND ~~AUTHORITY~~ TO PURCHASE

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

3099a

1 original bids inclosed.

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES, 8th DISTRICT

The Commissioner of Lighthouses:

New Orleans, La., February 27, 1934

Authority is requested to purchase, at the prices stated, the articles or services named below, by Method B, printed hereunder, as provided for in section 8 of the act of June 17, 1910. The original bids received are inclosed herewith.
Proposals were sent to 4 dealers, and public advertising was performed as shown on papers attached.
A copy of the bid recommended for acceptance, with specifications, plans, etc., and abstract of the bids received, is attached hereto for the files of the Bureau.
The price is considered reasonable, not in excess of current market rates, and advantageous to the Government.
Payment is to be made as shown below. The return of the original bids, etc., is requested.

E. S. Laughlin
Superintendent of Lighthouses.

METHOD OF PURCHASE.

A. Under contract with bond, after public advertisement for proposals.
B. Under contract, without security, after public advertisement for proposals.
C. In the open market, after obtaining prices and making written or verbal agreement, without public advertisement for proposals, immediate delivery being required by an exigency of the service.

QUANTITY	PURPOSE AND DESCRIPTION OF ARTICLES OR SERVICES	ESTIMATED COST Dollars	Cents
	ST. MARKS LIGHTHOUSE, FLA.		
	C. J. Posey and C. L. Franklin, St. Marks, Fla.:		
	Dredging channel 20 feet wide, 3 feet deep at lowest tide for a distance of 1330 lineal feet from the deep water in the main channel off St. Marks Lighthouse to the boat house at the end of the wharf.....	$600	.00

(Use additional plain sheet if extra space is required)

File w/m

TO BE PAID FROM FUNDS: Allotted

APPROPRIATION: General Expenses, Lighthouse Service, 1934

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES, WASHINGTON

_____ *inclosures.*

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, with recommendation that authority be granted to expend the above-estimated amount for the purpose and by the method of purchase indicated, accepting the bid of

Approved:

Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Acting Secretary of Commerce.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES, WASHINGTON

March 2, 1934.

Set *inclosures.*

Returned to the Superintendent, approved as recommended, except as noted. Payment to be made as shown above.
Be guided accordingly. Bid is returned herewith.

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For the Commissioner:

H. D. KING

Deputy *Commissioner of Lighthouses.*

Form 80
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE
ESL:LEC

RECOMMENDATION AS TO AIDS TO NAVIGATION

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES 8th DISTRICT

3019a

New Orleans, La., February 27, 1934

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

The following recommendation is submitted for the consideration of the Bureau:

1. Name of aid: St. Marks Lighthouse
2. Locality: Entrance to St. Marks River, Florida

3. Proposed action: Dredging 1330 lineal feet of channel 20 feet wide, 3 feet deep at lowest tide from boat house at St. Marks Lighthouse to channel in St. Marks River.

4. Necessity: To enable station boat to reach lighthouse wharf at all times.

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5. Total estimated cost: $600.00
6. Appropriation: G.E.L.H.S. 1934
7. Payment: To be made from funds allotted.
8. Maintenance estimated, annual cost: Nothing additional
9. Authority is also requested ~~to purchase the material needed, and not now on hand, at an estimated cost of $xxxxxxx,~~ in accordance with law and regulations, and to do the work by contract ~~xxxx bond, x $xxxxxxxx; hired labor and depot force, $xxxxxxxxx; crew of vessels, $xxxxxxxxx~~ This method of performance being considered the cheapest and most advantageous to the service.

(If it is proposed to do the work partly or wholly by hired labor rather than by contract, give reasons therefor under Item 10.)

10. Description, location, and other information:

In December, 1933, a small dredge was hired for three days for the sum of $165.00 and only partially completed the necessary channel. Considerable limestone ad coral rock were encountered and the Keeper of the station and this office have been in frequent communication with other parties who desired to complete the work. Combined efforts have resulted in securing a bid for $600.00 which it is believed is reasonable and advantageous to the government.

For the information of the Bureau, Form 97, with the only bid received, is forwarded herewith.

E. S. Lamplugh
Superintendent of Lighthouses

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES

Washington, March 2, 1934

Returned to the Superintendent of Lighthouses, approved as recommended, except as noted. You will proceed with the work and report its status, until completed, as required by regulations or instructions.

For the Commissioner:

H. D. KING
Deputy *Commissioner.*

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8th Supt's letter of April 30, 1934, regarding dredging channel, St. Marks Light Station, Fla.

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington, D. C.,
May 3, 1934.

Returned to the Superintendent of Lighthouses, New Orleans, L
proved as recommended in paragraph 3 above. If another contract is entered into for this work Messrs. Posey and Franklin should be held for the excess cost to the Government, in accordance with paragraph 3 of the conditions forming a part of their contract.

For the Commissioner:

W. P. HARMAN
Administrative Assistant.

KSG:FBW

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NEW ORLEANS, LA.
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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

1934 MAY 2 AM 8:51

1 Inclosure Received

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT, 8TH DISTRICT
NEW ORLEANS, LA.
April 30, 1934

Commissioner of Lighthouses:

St. Marks Light Station, Fla. - Dredging channel

1. Referring to Form 80 for dredging channel for the launch at St. Marks Lighthouse, Fla., approved by the Bureau March 2, 1934, bids were solicited and the lowest bid was in the sum of $600.00, signed by C. J. Posey and C. L. Franklin of St. Marks, Fla. The order was given to them and they made an effort to perform the work and rig up a home-made drag line, and failed completely. The Keeper advised under date of April 14, 1934, that the dredge proved to be a complete failure, and that Messrs. Posey and Franklin stated that they were not financially able to provide another rig and perform the work. On an inspection of the station on April 27th, the small dredge, barge and equipment were found sunk adjacent to the boat-house wharf.

2. I requested the keeper to have Messrs. Posey and Franklin to meet me at St. Marks, Fla., and he transmitted my request to them but they did not show up.

3. I believe the information given by the keeper to be correct that these two local citizens of St. Marks are financially unable to complete the contract in accordance with their bid, and that nothing could be recovered by action against them. Therefore it is recommended that this office be authorized to cancel the order issued for this work to Messrs. C. J. Posey and C. L. Franklin of St. Marks, Fla., in the lump sum of $600.00. A copy of the order is inclosed.

E. S. LANPHIER
Superintendent of Lighthouses

Rec'd OK in accordance with Par 3 Conditions on back form 33, attached

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OK 7 Ltrs 5/2

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Proposal #681 3019a

STANDARD GOVERNMENT SHORT FORM CONTRACT

Contract No. .....

(SUPPLIES)

ORDER # 1874
INV.#0- 1342

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COMMERCE (Department or establishment)

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE, 8th DIST. (Office)

New Orleans, La. (Address)

Feb.19, 1934 (Date)

INVITATION

Sealed bids, in Single, subject to the conditions on the reverse hereof, will be received at this office until 2 o'clock p m., Feb. 26, 1934 and then publicly opened, for furnishing the following supplies, and/or services, delivery See below

E. S. LANPHIER (Name), SUPERINTENDENT (Title)

ITEM NO.	ARTICLES OR SERVICES	QUANTITY	UNIT	UNIT PRICE	AMOUNT Dollars	AMOUNT Cents
	For furnishing dredge complete with crew, fuel, and all equipment to accomplish the following work in its entirety:-					
	Dredging channel 3-foot deep at lowest tide. Channel to be 20-feet wide over a distance of approximately 1330-lin.ft, from deep water to the main channel off St. Marks Lighthouse to the boathouse at the end of the wharf at St. Marks Lighthouse. Contractor will remove rock, or any other obstructions encountered anywhere in the course of the channel.					
	The contractor will examine the route of the channel and familiarize himself with all conditions in regard to depth, obstructions, location of rock, etc.					
	Lump sum bid for the entire work of dredging as specified above.				600	00

The price herein quoted is the net price, exclusive of any state tax imposed on the purchase or sale of the product named, the United States Government not being liable, directly or indirectly, for the payment of such tax (Decision U.S. Supreme Court, May 14, 1928, Pennsylvania Oil Company v. State of Mississippi).

FEDERAL taxto be included in price bid.

The provisions of paragraphs Nos. 1, 2, and 3 on the attached sheet relative to the compliance with approved codes of fair competition and relative to the use of articles, materials, and of supplies mined or produced in the United States, etc., are hereby agreed to and made part of this proposal, a part of the contract when awarded to the successful bidder.

(Continued on ..... sheets of Standard Form 36, attached hereto, each of which should bear the name of the bidder.)

10—1806 (OVER)

CONDITIONS

1. The Government reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive any informality in bids and, unless otherwise specified by the bidder, to accept any item in the bid. In case of error in the extension of prices in the bid, the unit prices will govern.

2. Time, in connection with discount offered, will be computed from date of the delivery of the supplies to carrier when final inspection and acceptance are at point of origin, or from date of delivery at destination or port of embarkation when final inspection and acceptance are at those points, or from date correct bill or voucher properly certified by the contractor is received if the latter date is later than the date of delivery.

3. In case of default of the contractor, the Government may procure the articles or services from other sources and hold the contractor responsible for any excess cost occasioned thereby.

4. No member of or delegate to Congress, or resident Commissioner, shall be admitted to any share or part of this contract or to any benefit that may arise therefrom unless it be made with a corporation for its general benefit.

BID

Feb. 23, 1934
(Date)

In compliance with the above invitation for bids, and subject to all the conditions thereof, the undersigned offers and agrees, if this bid be accepted within ..... days from the date of the opening, to furnish any or all of the items upon which prices are quoted, at the price set opposite each item, and, unless otherwise specified, within ..... days after receipt of order, delivery .....

~~The undersigned certifies that he, they, or it, has or have signed a code for the trade or industry concerned or the President's reemployment agreement.~~

Discounts will be allowed for prompt payment as follows: 10 calendar days, ... per cent; 20 calendar days, ... per cent; 30 calendar days, ... per cent.

(Signed) C. J. Posey & C. L. Franklin, St. Marks, Fla.
(Bidder) (Address)

By ....., Title .....
(Member of firm or person authorized to sign bids for corporation)

ACCEPTANCE

March 5, 1934
(Date)

Accepted as to items numbered .....

(Signed) E. S. Lanphier
Superintendent of Lighthouses, ...
(Name) (Title)

INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS

1. Samples of items, when required, must be furnished, free of expense, prior to the opening of bids, and, if not destroyed, will, upon request, be returned at the bidder's expense.

2. Prices should be stated in units of quantity specified with packing included.

3. Time of proposed delivery must be stated in definite terms. If time varies for different items the bidder shall so state.

4. If the item bid upon has a trade name or brand, such trade name or brand must be stated in the bid.

5. To insure prompt payment, bills should be certified as follows: "I certify that the above bill is correct and just, and that payment therefor has not been received."

NOTE.—This form is adaptable generally for use whether or not a formal contract is required.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

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LIGHTHOUSES
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St. Marks L.S., Fla.

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT, 8TH DISTRICT
NEW ORLEANS, LA.
June 13, 1928

Commissioner of Lighthouses:

1. It is recommended that a motor launch be allowed for St. Marks Light Station, Fla. This station is located at the mouth of the St. Marks River, seven miles from the town of St. Marks where mail and provisions are secured. Up to the present time no launch has been recommended for this station because of lack of equipment. It has been quite an expense upon the keeper to buy and maintain a motor launch for his own use.

2. There is an old 20-foot launch, No. 129, with a small six horsepower motor available, and it is proposed to assign that boat to the station if this recommendation is approved.

3. It is recommended that the allowance of gasoline be fixed at 165 gallons (three drums) per year which will be sufficient for one trip each week to the town of St. Marks, and possibly a few additional trips during the year.

E. S. LANPHIER
Superintendent of Lighthouses

Record OK: 165 gallons is good for 63 round trips to St Marks or 11 extra trips above 1 a week for a yr. HAM June 16

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Dep. Comm.
Commissioner.

Rec'd June 15

Rec approve

CARDED

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington
JUN 20 1928

Returned approved.

G. R. PUTNAM
Commissioner of Lighthouses.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

SUPT. OF LIGHTHOUSES APR 22 1939 NEW ORLEANS, LA.

SUPT. OF LIGHTHOUSES JUN - 6 1939 NEW ORLEANS, LA.

April 19, 1939

Superintendent of Lighthouses: New Orleans, La.

GENERATORS ~~and MOTORS~~, Power Equipment Description Sheets:

St. Marks

It is requested that new (X), revised ( ), information concerning the GENERATORS ~~and MOTORS~~ installed at/on the foregoing station or ship, be furnished as indicated below, in order that the Bureau's records may be corrected.

For the Commissioner:

I.L.GILL
Chief, Signal Division.

ILG

JWH:K

Office of Superintendent of Lighthouses
New Orleans, La., June 27, 1939.

File

Returned to Commissioner of Lighthouses:

The information requested is shown below:

Posted 7-13-39 72P

* (2) Make and type Delco, 15 E.D.1.

(3) Horsepower (if motor) - (4) KW or KVA if generator 1-1/2 K.W.

(5) Connected to engine. (6) How connected direct.

(7) Terminal voltage 120 (8) Line current in amperes 12-1/2

(9) Phases, if A.C. - (10) Frequency, if A.C. -

(11) Speed in RPM 1600 (12) Temperature rating - °C.

(13) Fittings open (14) Compounding no data.

(15) Remarks in duplicate.

E.C.MERRILL
Superintendent of Lighthouses.

* Nos. refer to corresponding columns on equipment sheet.

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DEPARTMENT
Bureau of Lighthouses
Washington

ANS'D 30198

SUPT. OF LIGHTHOUSES
APR 22 1939
NEW ORLEANS, LA.

April 19, 1939

Superintendent of Lighthouses, New Orleans, La.

Storage Batteries, Power Equipment Description Sheets.

It is requested that new (X), revised ( ), information concerning the STORAGE BATTERIES installed at St. Marks be furnished as indicated below, in order that the Bureau's records may be corrected.

For the Commissioner:

I.L.GILL
Chief, Signal Division.

ILG:b

SUPT. OF LIGHTHOUSES
JUN - 6 1939
NEW ORLEANS, LA.

Office, Superintendent of Lighthouses,
New Orleans, La., June 27, 1939.

JWH:K

Returned to Commissioner:

The information requested is shown below:

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(2) Make and type, Exide, type DMGO-7; (3) No. of cells, 54; (4) Capacity, 84 amp.at72 hr.rate; (5) Year purchased, 2-1939; (6) Year installed at this station, 5-39; (7) Date last inspected, month and year, -; (8) Condition at last inspection, -; (9) a. How charged, Series float., b. How discharged, -; (10) Purpose of battery and remarks, Main light, station lights.

Posted 7-13-39

E.C.MERRILL
Superintendent of Lighthouses

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SUPT. OF LIGHTHOUSES APR 22 1939 NEW ORLEANS, LA.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

April 19, 1939.

Superintendent of Lighthouses, New Orleans, La.

ENGINES, Power Equipment Description Sheets:

St. Marks

It is requested that new (X), revised ( ), information concerning the ENGINES driving generators (X), compressors ( ), at/on the foregoing station or ship, be furnished as indicated below, in order that the Bureau's records may be corrected.

For the Commissioner:

I.L.GILL
Chief, Signal Division.

ILG:b

JWH:K

Office of Superintendent of Lighthouses,
N.O., La., June 27, 1939.

Returned to Commissioner of Lighthouses:

File

The information requested is shown below:

Posted 7-13-39 JP

* (2) Make and type Delco

(3) Horsepower no data (4) Horizontal or Vertical Vertical.

(5) Cylinders 2 (6) Cycles 4 (7) How cooled Water cooled

(8) Bore and stroke no data (9) Speed in RPM 1600 (10) Fuel kerosene

(11) How started Elec. or hand cranked. (12) Drives Generator.

(13) How connected direct. (14) Rating of Generator 1-1/2 K.W.

(15) Protective Devices Circuit breaker.

(16) Year purchased 1939 (17) No. of similar units Two.

(18) Remarks None.

*Nos. refer to corresponding columns on equipment sheet.

E.C.MERRILL
Superintendent of Lighthouses.

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SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
NEW ORLEANS, LA.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

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

August 27, 1929

St. Marks L.S., Fla.,
Gasoline allowance

8/31/29 wrote Supt

LIGHTHOUSES
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Dentist, Communic, Weather, Clerical, Adm. Offcr, Air Engr, Chief Engr, Hydro, Radio, Engr Constn, Mech Engr, Personnel, Finance, Law & Prop, Adm. Assist, Dep. Commr, Commissioner

Bee OK
aug 29

Regst copy to Pub Wks Called for Regs 1927 Art 361 a
HM
Aug 31/29

Commissioner of Lighthouses:

1. The Keeper states that he makes two trips a week from the light station to the post office at St. Marks, Fla., for mail and provisions. The present allowance of gasoline for the motor launch is three drums per annum, and the Keeper states that this just one-half of the actual requirements.

2. It is recommended that the annual allowance of gasoline for St. Marks Light Station be increased to 330 gallons per annum.

E. S. LANDRIER
Superintendent of Lighthouses

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St. Marks Light Station, Fla. August 31,1929.

Superintendent of Lighthouses,
New Orleans, La.

1. Referring to your letter of August 27, 1929, recommending an increase in the gasoline allowance for St. Marks light station, Fla.

2. It is requested that ~~in~~ the data outlined in Art.361, subparagraph C, Regulations 1927, upon which gasoline allowances are based, be furnished this office.

H. B. BOWERMAN
Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses.

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Office of Supt. of Lighthouses, 8th Dist.,
New Orleans, La., Sept. 5, 1929.

Returned to the Commissioner:

It is recommended that the annual allowance of gasoline for St. Marks Light Station, Fla., be increased to 330 gallons, based on 37 hours' running per month of a 6 horse power motor.

(Signed) E. S. Lanphier
Supt. of Lighthouses.

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington
SEP 25 1929

Returned approved.

W. P. HARMAN
Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses.

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NEW ORLEANS, LA.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

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Fuel Allowance -
St. Marks Lighthouse

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OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT, 8TH DISTRICT
NEW ORLEANS, LA.
August 5, 1930.

Commissioner of Lighthouses:

1. The annual allowance for kerosene for fuel for the purpose of heating and cooking at St. Marks Light Station is 200 gallons.

2. Owing to the large number of children in the keeper's family (seven) it has been found that the allowance of 200 gallons for fuel is inadequate for cooking and heating at this station, and it is recommended that the allowance in this case be increased to 300 gallons per annum.

E. S. LANPHIER
Superintendent of Lighthouses

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Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington
AUG 11 1930

Returned approved.

H. B. BOWERMAN
Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses

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

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

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Teacher,
subsistence & travel
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OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT, 8TH DISTRICT
NEW ORLEANS, LA.

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March 24th, 1921.

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The Commissioner of Lighthouses.

1. An inquiry has been received from J.Y.Gresham, Keeper of St. Marks Light Station, Fla., asking if the Government will pay the subsistence and traveling expenses of Mr. J.L.Deaton, whom he has engaged to teach his children at the light station for a period of about three months. The Keeper also states that the Superintendent of Schools at St. Marks advised him that a public school teacher was not available.

2. There are four children of school age at St.Marks Light Station. The nearest school is seven miles distant and there are no other school children in the immediate vicinity of the station.

3. It is recommended that the traveling expenses from St. Marks to the Light Station and return, and also the teacher's subsistence while teaching at the station, be authorized, payable from the appropriation General Expenses Lighthouse Service.

For and in the absence of the Superintendent.

F. A. Muth

First Assistant Superintendent.

Yes. Bur. Circ 68. requires that cases like this be submitted to Comm. Rec OK for action recmnded.

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Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington
March 29, 1921.

Returned approved.

Returned approved.

Commissioner

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SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
NEW ORLEANS, LA.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

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

May 6, 1921.

5/16/21 Wrote to 8th supt.

Travel expenses,
teacher.

Commissioner of Lighthouses:

1. Referring to Bureau indorsement of March 29th, File 3019E, authorizing the payment of subsistence and traveling expenses of teacher while instructing the children of the Keeper at St. Marks Light Station.

2. The account for travel from St. Marks, Florida, to St. Marks Light Station, incurred February 27th, 1921, has been submitted to this office by J. L. Deaton, Teacher.

3. It appears that the Keeper of St. Marks Light Station engaged the teacher prior to requesting authority for subsistence and travel and in view of the fact that the travel was incurred prior to the date of Bureau's authority, instructions are requested as to whether the account is a proper one for payment by this office.

Superintendent of Lighthouses.

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Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington, D. C.
May 16, 1921.

Returned to 8th Superintendent approved for payment of travel and subsistence in this case. The regulation providing for prior approval of employment of teacher is to secure proper administrative supervision of this matter, but subsequent approval, when granted, is equally effective for payment of expenses. You are requested, however, to invite the Keeper's attention to the requirement, with a view to its observance in the future.

J. S. CONWAY
Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses

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

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Teacher, subsistence
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OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT, 8TH DISTRICT
NEW ORLEANS, LA.
July 6, 1921

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The Commissioner of Lighthouses:

1. Application has been received from J. Y. Gresham, Keeper, St. Marks Light Station, Fla., for the payment of subsistence and traveling expenses of Professor Lovell whom he has engaged to teach his children at the Light Station for a period of about two months beginning July 5, 1921.

2. There are four children of school age at St. Marks Light Station; the nearest school is seven miles distant. There are no other children of school age in the immediate vicinity of the station. A public school teacher is not available.

3. It is recommended that the traveling expenses from St. Marks to the Light Station and return and also the teacher's subsistence while teaching at the station be authorized, payable from the appropriation: General Expenses, Lighthouse Service, 1922.

4. Copy of letter from the Keeper, dated July 1st, in explanation of his failure to make application sufficiently in advance, is attached.

E. S. Lanphier
Superintendent of Lighthouses

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington
July 11, 1921.

Returned approved
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J. S. CONWAY
Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses

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1 Inclosure

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

Eighth District
St. Marks
July 1st, 1921

Superintendent of Lighthouses,
New Orleans La.

In your letter of May 19th 1921 you request me to make application to that office for the payment of traveling and subsistence expences of teachers before I employ the teacher. there is a compulsory school law in this state that forces you to send your children to school eight months in twelve or 160 school days. living off like I do it is hard to get a teacher to stay any length of time so that forces me to take a teacher any time I can get one. I am writing this so that you will understand that I am making application for the payment of the teachers subsistence as early as was possible.

(Signed) J. Y. Gresham

Keeper

J. S. CONWAY

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

October 19th, 1921.

The Commissioner of Lighthouses:

1. Application has been received from J.Y.Gresham, Keeper, St. Marks Light Station, Fla., for the payment of subsistence and traveling expenses of Mr. A. Gail Combes, whom he has engaged to teach his children at the light station for a period of about six months beginning about October 24th, 1921.

2. There are four children of school age at St.Marks Light Station; the nearest school is seven miles distant. There are no other children of school age in the immediate vicinity of the station. A public school teacher is not available.

3. It is recommended that the traveling expenses from St. Marks to the Light Station and return and also the teacher's subsistence while teaching at the station be authorized, payable from the appropriation: General Expenses, Lighthouse Service, 1922.

For and in the absence of the Superintendent.

F. A. Muth.

First Assistant Superintendent.

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Returned approved.

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington
Oct. 24/1921

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Commissioner.

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Teacher, subsistence and travel expenses.

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

May 22nd, 1922.

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The Commissioner of Lighthouses:

1. Application has been received from J.Y.Gresham, Keeper of St. Marks Light Station, Fla., for the payment of subsistence and traveling expenses of Prof. W. F. Parker, whom he has engaged to teach his children at the light station for a period of about three months beginning May 15th, 1922.

2. There are four children of school age at St. Marks Light Station and the nearest school is seven miles distant. There are no other children of school age in the immediate vicinity of the station. A public school teacher is not available.

3. It is recommended that the traveling expenses from St. Marks to the Light Station and return and also the teacher's subsistence while teaching at the station be authorized, payable from the appropriation: General Expenses, Lighthouse Service.

For and in the absence of the Superintendent.

F. A. Muth
First Assistant Superintendent.

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington
MAY 29 1922
G. R. PUTNAM
Commissioner

WSK,
Returned approved.

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Aids, Apalachee Bay, Fla.

December 1, 1922.

Hon. J. H. Smithwick,
House of Representatives,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

1. Receipt is acknowledged of your letter dated November 27, 1922, inclosing letter from Hon. H. Clay Crawford, Tallahassee, Fla., and a petition for the establishment of lights along the channel of Apalachee Bay between St. Marks and the St. Marks lighthouse:

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

Very truly yours,

Commissioner of Lighthouses.

papers to 8th

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OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT, 8TH DISTRICT
NEW ORLEANS, LA.
December 19, 1922

St. Marks, Fla.,
Lights requested.

The Commissioner of Lighthouses:

1. Referring to letter of November 27, 1922, from the Honorable J. H. Smithwick, M.C., and its inclosure, letter of November 24, 1922, from the Honorable H. Clay Crawford, Secretary of State, State of Florida, together with petition signed by the Governor of the State of Florida and others, to have channel lights established along Apalachee Bay between the town of St. Marks and the St. Marks Lighthouse, the following report is submitted:

2. The channel referred to, as will be seen from Chart No. 181, and as stated in the petition, is very crooked and therefore will take an unusually excessive number of lights to mark it.

3. The commerce, as stated in the petition, is fishing boats and sponge boats.

4. In August, 1919, a petition was transmitted to this office by Mr. John Williams of St. Marks, Fla., which was forwarded to the Bureau with recommendation of August 13, 1919, - File No. 3019 - and also by indorsement of August 20, 1919. The situation is exactly the same today, and it is desired to state that there is no other port of such shallow draft in this district devoted exclusively to fishing which has as many lights or aids to navigation as would be required to make the St. Marks channel navigable at night. There are many shell reefs, and bars project from either shore, and it is necessary to first round one of these points extending from one shore then change course to the other direction in order to clear a reef or shoal extending out from the other shore thus necessitating a light on the end of each of these reefs in order to make the channel navigable.

5. Attention is invited to the petition of August, 1919, stating that fourteen lights would be required for the channel; and in a memorandum attached to the petition gave the name of each locality as follows:

"One light each at Long Bar, Red Stake, Spray Bar, F olly Bar, Jackson House Bar, Below Rock Gap, Rock Pile, Bar next above, Jones' Bar, Possum Gap, Four-mile Point, Four-mile Point Lump, Triangle Stake and Rock Pile."

6. It would require the sum of $30,000 to establish fourteen compressed acetylene lights on creosoted piles protected with cast-iron pipe together with a boat to attend the lights. It would cost $15,000 to establish 5-day oil, lens lantern, or post lantern, lights on the same type of structures

together with a boat for the lights. The expenditure for maintenance would cost approximately $2000.00 a year.

7. It is therefore recommended that the petitioners be advised relative to the expense involved stating that there are no funds available in the appropriations for this Service with which to do the work, and that a special appropriation would be required; also that, in view of the many projects for special works for which appropriations have been recommended for many years, and which are of greater importance when the amount of commerce involved is considered, this Service cannot see its way clear to recommending the appropriation of the large sum which would be required to carry out the desires of the petitioners.

E. S. Lanphier.

Superintendent of Lighthouses

SIXTY-SEVENTH CONGRESS.

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LIGHTHOUSES 3019E

Congress of the United States

House of Representatives

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Washington, D. C.

SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
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2 Inclosure Received

12/1/22 ack 12/29/22 Wrote Hon Smithwick Copy to file

November 27, 1922.

Bureau of Lighthouses ,

Washington, D. C.

Gentlemen:

I inclose letter from Honorable H . Clay Crawford, Tallahassee, Florida, and petition for establishment of channel lights between St. Marks, Florida, and the St. Marks lighthouse, and will appreciate whatever you can do to remedy the situation.

Ack 12/1/22 12/29/22

Very sincerely yours,

J. H. Smithwick

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To Superintendent of Lighthouses, New Orleans, La.

for investigation and return with report and recommendation.

J. S. CONWAY
Acting Commissioner.

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Office of the
Secretary of State
State of Florida
Tallahassee

H. CLAY CRAWFORD
SECRETARY OF STATE

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Nov. 24, 1922.

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Hon. J. H. Smithwick, M. C.,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Smithwick:

The State Canvassing Board will at 10 o'clock to-morrow declare you elected to Congress from the 3rd Congressional District. Will send you tabulation as soon as I have them printed.

I am enclosing to you a strong petition urging the placing of lights by the Government ~~marking~~ along the channel of Apalachee Bay between St. Marks and the St. Marks lighthouse. I want you to urge the placing of said lights. I am very much interested in it myself, and it will help you to stay in Congress if you can succeed in securing an appropriation for it.

Hope you are well, and with personal regards, I am

Yours very truly,

Secretary of State.

C/vs.

Tallahassee, Florida.

LIGHTHOUSES

To the Honorable Senators and Representatives
from the State of Florida in Congress:

1922 NOV 29 AM 9 55

Gentlemen:-

The channel of the Apalachee Bay between St. Marks, Florida, and St. Marks Light House on the Gulf of Mexico, is very crooked and difficult of navigation, especially in foggy weather or during the night time. This bay is extensively used by a large number of fishermen to get their catches from deep water to railroad transportation at St. Marks. The tortuous and unlighted condition of the channel constitutes a very serious and expensive handicap to the fishermen and those who use the said channel for other purposes of transporation.

In consideration of this condition of affairs, the undersigned citizens, taxpayers and officials of the State of Florida acquainted with the above facts, respectfully and earnestly petition that you gentlemen use your best efforts, either through an appropriation to be made by Congress, or by making suitable representations to the proper Department of the Federal Government, to have channel lights established along Apalachee Bay between St. Marks, Florida, and the St. Marks Light House. Such lights will prove a great boon to the rapidly growing industry dependent upon the use of said channel; and the establishment of same will ever be held in grateful remembrance by your petitioners.

Cary A. Hardee, Governor
W. V. Crawford, Secretary of State
Rivers Buford, Attorney General
J. L. Lanning, State Treasurer
W. S. Cawthon, State Supt. Pub. Instruction
Ernest Amos, Comptroller
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J. W. Collins, Member Bd. Public Inst. Leon Co.
J. N. Patterson, " " " "
W. E. Gray " " " "
Paul V. Long Clerk Circuit Court, Leon County, Florida.
D. D. Wells County Judge Leon Co.
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Geo. Watkins. State Atty
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The OFFICIALS OF WAKULLA COUNTY.

W. Dow McLeod — County Judge
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John McKenzie — School Board Member
W. W. Spears — " " "
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Geo. K. Smith — County Com Wakulla Co
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W. H. Sellers — " " " "
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W. C. Raker — Deputy Sheriff.
L. A. Cooper — Benhaden Fla
C. J. Ferrell — Crawfordville Fla
B. C. Mosley — " "

Justices

George Kinsey — Constable
J. B. Richardson — Deputy Shell Fish Comr

The CITIZENS OF ST.MARKS, FLORIDA.

E Oliver Fisherman
Fred V Ladd Pilot
Palmer Ladd Engineer
Oliver F Gibbs Fisherman
Geo. B. Roberts Ship Carpenter
Jack Hard Fisherman
Geo Hard Fisherman
J.A. Linton —— " "
J.J. Wiggins —— " "
J. E. Linton —— " "
Hamby Linton —— " "
Jno Linton —— " "
W, E, I Kennedy —— " "
Fred Oliver —— " "
Bryan Roberts —— " "
Henry Bishop —— " "
Richard Sutler —— " "
Bryan Jones —— " "
Kyle Jones —— " "
W.J Jacobs —— " "
Authon Jones — Boatman
Howard Hamlet — Fishman
W.F. Linton — " "
Arley Linton — " "
Nick Tsitsonis — " "
Jimmie Tsitsonis — " "
J B Redding

Written Examination

NAME Citizens of St. Marks. Fla. SUBJECT

DATE TEACHER TIME USED

NO. STANDING AGE GRADE

J.J. Burnsball	Fish Dealer
W.B. Hicks	" "
Clarence Ladd	Fisherman
W. H. Wilson	Boatman
J. T. Barton	Fisherman
A. M. Wiggins	"
John W. Morgan	Turpentine Operator
W. H. Smith	" "
Chas. Quzts	Boatman
John Glover	Ship Carpenter
W. H. Harrell	Merchant
H. A. Wall	Doctor
Wright Alexander	Fisherman
C. R. Joner	Gasoline Dealer
G. A. Griffith	Merchant
O. P. Shields	Boatman
Willie Roberts	Boatman
H. N. Walker Sr.	Fish Dealer
H. N. Walker Jr.	Merchant

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December 29, 1922.

Hon. J. H. Smithwick,
House of Representatives,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

1. Referring again to your letter, dated November 27, 1922, inclosing a letter from the Hon. H. Clay Crawford, Secretary of the State of Florida, together with petition, requesting the establishment of lights along Apalachee Bay, between the town of St. Marks and the St. Marks Lighthouse:

2. I beg to state that this matter has been previously investigated and has also been carefully reconsidered since the receipt of your letter. It appears that the commerce is carried on by fishing boats and sponge boats. Owing to the narrow, tortuous channel and the many shoal reefs and bars, in order for a boat to clear these obstructions an unusually large number of lights would be required. It is estimated that the cost of establishing such lights would be between $15,000 and $30,000, according to the type of light selected. There are not any funds available to defray such an expense and a special appropriation by Congress would be required.

3. In view of the many more important projects for special works which require appropriations by Congress, the Bureau would not feel justified at present in favorably recommending the establishment of the lights requested by your correspondents. However, if Congress, giving due consideration to the needs of navigation in other localities, should see fit to appropriate the necessary funds for this project, the money could be advantageously expended for the benefit of commerce.

Very truly yours,

Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Lighthouses, Wash., Copy to 8th Supt.

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

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

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Teacher, subsistence
and travel expense.

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

December 28, 1922.

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Mar. Engr.
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Recd OK par 3 Jan 2

The Commissioner of Lighthouses:

1. Application has been received from J.Y.Gresham, Keeper of St. Marks Light Station, Fla., for the payment of subsistence and traveling expenses of Mrs. Reneber Oliver, whom he has engaged to teach his children at the light station for a period of about three months beginning January 1st, 1923.

2. There are four children of school age at St.Marks Light Station and the nearest school is seven miles distant. There are no other children of school age in the immediate vicinity of the station and a public school teacher is not available.

3. It is recommended that the traveling expenses from St. Marks to the Light Station and return and also the teacher's subsistence while teaching at the station be authorized, payable from the appropriation: "General Expenses, Lighthouse Service."

Rec OK but ask Supt to submit statement as to how teacher will be subsisted + probable cost WPH 1/3

For and in the absence of the Superintendent.

F. A. Muth

First Assistant Superintendent.

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WPH:APP Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington, D. C., January 5, 1923.

Returned to 8th Supt., approved as recommended. Advise Bureau however, as to the method in which it is anticipated the teacher will be subsisted and the rate that will be allowed.

G. R. PUTNAM

Commissioner of Lighthouses.

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

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

January 9th, 1923.

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The Commissioner of Lighthouses:

1. Referring to letter from this office dated December 28, 1922, recommending payment of subsistence and traveling expenses of Mrs. Renebor Oliver, who has been engaged by the Keeper of St.Marks Light Station to teach his children at the station, and to Bureau endorsement of Jan. 5, 1923, thereon, approving the above recommendation:

2. Relative to the method of payment of subsistence and the rate to be allowed, the Bureau is informed that the Keeper of St.Marks Light Station will submit to this office at the close of each month a bill on Form 41 for meals furnished the teacher, at the rate of $1.00 per day.

E. S. Lamphier.
Superintendent of Lighthouses.

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

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

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

June 4, 1923.

WJB.

St.Marks L.S.,Fla.,
teacher, subsistence
and travel expenses.

The Commissioner of Lighthouses:

1. Application has been received from J.Y.Gresham, Keeper of St. Marks Light Station, Fla., for the payment of subsistence and traveling expenses of Miss Edna B. Millicombe, whom he has engaged to teach his children at the light station for a period of about four months beginning June 3rd,1923.

2. There are four children pf school age at St.Marks Light Station and the nearest school is seven miles distant. There are no other children of school age in the immediate vicinity of the station. A public school teacher is not available.

3. It is recommended that the traveling expenses from St.Marks to the Light Station and return and also the teacher's subsistence while teaching at the station be authorized, payable from the appropriation: "General Expenses, Lighthouse Service."

E. S. Lamphier.
Superintendent of Lighthouses.

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Dep. Comr.
Comr.

Reed OK
if funds are avail.
June 7

for ltr rec

Dept to advise Bureau of est Cost, from funds allotted approx rate of subsistence

June 8-1923.

Returned approved Advise Bureau approximate rate of subsistence

J. S. CONWAY
Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington

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

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT, 8TH DISTRICT
NEW ORLEANS, LA.
June 12, 1923.

WJB.

St.Marks L.S.,Fla.,
teacher, subsistence
and travel expenses.

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Engr. Corps
Mar. Engr.
Personnel
Accounts
Contracts
Chf Clk.
Dep. Comr.
Comr.

for extra
WJB

The Commissioner of Lighthouses:

1. In reply to Bureau endorsement of June 8, 1923, on letter from this office dated June 4, 1923, relative to subsistence and travel expenses of Miss Edna B. Millicombe, who has been engaged by the Keeper of St.Marks Light Station, Fla., to teach his children at the light station for a period of about four months beginning June 3, 1923:

2. The teacher will be allowed subsistence at the rate of $1.00 per day.

E. J. Langhier.
Superintendent of Lighthouses.

Rec'd OK, same rate as heretofore authorized for teacher at this station
6/16/23

All WJB

Put necessary
& return
& Supt

6/16/23

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Mr Middleton, Real Estate Division, Quarter Masters Office, War Dept, Branch 1103, called up at 9.45, requesting info about Ft. Marks L.H. reservation, stating that he has a letter from Gen Harrison, who is writing the WD for one of his constituents asking if a reservation on which an old LH stood at old Fort Ft. Marks is for sale. The old fort was built by the Spaniards at the mouth of the Wauculla River, passed to the US by treaty in 1819 + was abandoned by the W.D. as a military site. He says he believes that the LH is now standing on the site + if in active service today, he will of course advise Gen H that it is not for sale. Wants to know tomorrow morning early as poss. There is a Ft Marks LH now in comm

HM
Nov 27

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WAN 1/2/24

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November 28, 1923.

I ~~looking~~ looked this matter up in the title files and informed Mr. Middleton that Fractional Township No. 5 of Ranges 1 and 2 S. and E. was reserved for lighthouse purposes by Executive Order of November 12, 1838, that the present lighthouse is in commission and on the site of the old lighthouse and that so far as I know none of this property is for sale, but that if he desired he might refer the applicant to the Bureau or forward the letter to the Bureau, and the matter would be given further consideration and report obtained from the local Superintendent if necessary. He stated that he would probably do this. Recommend call up on receipt of further report.

L.W.L.

OK HM
Nov 28

Rec'd file.
LWL 12/1/31

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NEW ORLEANS, LA.
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St.Marks L.S., Fla.,
Subsistence, teacher:

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Mar Engr.
Personnel.
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Contracts.
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Dep. Genl.
Genl.

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

Mar. 21st 1924.

Commissioner of Lighthouses:

1. J.Y. Gresham, Keeper of St. Marks Light Station, Fla. writes this office under date of March 17th 1924 making application for the payment of subsistence of Mrs. Rueber Oliver, for a period of about three months, while teaching the Keeper's children at that station.

2. There are four children of school age at St. Marks Light Station and the nearest school seven miles distant. There are no other children of school age in the vicinity of the station. Mrs. Oliver is a regular public school teacher.

3. It is recommended that the teacher's subsistence at the rate of one dollar a day while teaching at St. Marks Light Station be authorized, payable from the appropriation "General Expenses, Lighthouse Service, 1924."

For and in the absence of the Superintendent:

F. A. Muth
First Assistant Superintendent.

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington
MAR 25 1924

Returned approved

G. R. PUTNAM
Commissioner of Lighthouses

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SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
NEW ORLEANS, LA.

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LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

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

Storm of Sept. 14-15th, 1924,
damage by:

September 30, 1924.

10/4/24 Fls-200 Dept
10/7/24 Fls-to 84

The Commissioner of Lighthouses:

1. The following report is submitted of the damage sustained by the storm of September 14-15th, 1924, which struck the eastern portion of this district:

St. Marks Light Station, Fla.

40 feet of wharf washed away.
Part of fence blown down.
2 tower shutters blown away.
Cistern blown out of plumb.

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Comr.

Wants an allotment of $1045 Recd OK of Frac. HM Oct 3

Rec ask for pr nme descrip of storm & its effects Kpis note & endorse pr L H Bull

Rec also allot $8000 any say all that can be spared @ pres Oct 3

Estimate:

Wharf -	Rebuilding 40 ft. wharf and repairing remainder		
	2200 ft. B.M. creosoted lumber @ $115 per M....	$ 253.00	
	1100 ft. B.M. untreated " " 75 " ".....	82.50	
	Bolts and nails.....	17.00	
			$ 352.50
Fence, Shutters & cistern	700 ft. B.M. untreated lumber @ $85.00 per M....	59.50	
	Shutters, hardware, paint & oil.....	25.00	
			$ 84.50
LABOR:	1 ea. Foreman, 1½ mos. @ $145.00.....	217.50	
	1 " Carpenter, 1½ mos. @ 85.00.....	127.50	
	3 " Laborers, " " " 65.00.....	287.50	
		$	632.50
	Subsistence, 5 men, 45 das. @ $1.00 per day.....		225.00
	Transportation and incidentals.....		205.50
	Total.....		$1,500.00

Crooked River Range Light Station, Fla.

1100 ft. wharf and boat house completely washed away.
Yawl and skiff with equipment, lost.
Part of fences blown down.

Estimate:

Wharf -	(Rebuilding 1100 ft.)	
	22000 ft. B.M. creosoted lumber @ $110 per M...	$ 2420.00
	18400 " " untreated " @ 70 " "...	1288.00

Crooked River Range Light Station, Fla. (Continued).

Bolts and nails.....	$ 125.00	
		$3833.00

Boat House: (Rebuilding)

204 lin.ft. 10" x 10" creosoted piles @ $1.10 per ft.....	$ 224.40	
4000 ft. B.M. untreated lumber @ $70 per M.....	280.00	
5000 Shingles @ $12.00 per M.....	60.00	
6 lengths 16" cast iron pipe.....	214.00	
Bolts, nails, straps, etc.....	68.00	
Paints and oils.....	36.60	
		$ 883.00

Fence (Repairing)

1400 ft. B.M. untreated lumber @ $80.00 Per M.	$ 112.00	
Nails, paint and oil.....	32.00	
		$ 144.00

Labor: For rebuilding wharf and boathouse and repairing fence.

1 ea. Foreman, 4½ mos. @ $145 per mo.....	$ 652.50	
2 " Carpenters, 4½ mos. @ 85 " "	765.00	
4 " Laborers, 4½ mos. @ 65 " "	1170.00	
		$2587.50
Subsistence, 7 men, 135 da. @ $1.00 per day.....		945.00
Transportation and incidentals.....		237.00
1 ea. 16 ft. Yawl with outboard motor and equipment.....		250.00
1 " 16 ft. skiff and equipment.....		65.50
Total.....		$8945.00

Cape St. George Light Station, Fla.

Oil house roof torn off and walls cracked.
Leak caused by crack in iron work in lantern room of tower.
Tower shutters sprung.
Paint beaten off of tower and dwellings.
Screen door in Asst. Kpr.'s dwelling split.

A working party is now at the station and these repairs will be cared for without submitting estimate to the Bureau.

St. Andrews Bar, Bay Range Lights, Fla.

Small oil house blown away.
Lantern destroyed and hoisting wires broken on Bay Front Lt.
Door on Inner Rge. Ft. Lt. blown down.

This small loss will be cared for without estimate to the Bureau.

2. It is respectfully requested that an additional allottment be made with which to replace the damage.

E. S. LANPHIER
Superintendent of Lighthouses.

1 Inclosure Received

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Form 80
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE
FAM:LC

RECOMMENDATION AS TO AIDS TO NAVIGATION

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES. 8th DISTRICT.

New Orleans, La., April 11 . 1925

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

The following recommendation is submitted for the consideration of the Bureau:

1. Name of aid: St. Marks Light Station, Florida.
2. Locality: St. Marks, Fla.
3. Proposed action: Rebuild 40 feet wharf and repair remainder. Repair fences, shutters, etc.
4. Necessity: Repair of damage sustained in hurricane of September 14-15th,1924.

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5. Total estimated cost: $1500.00
6. Appropriation: G.E.L.H.S. 1925.
7. Payment: To be made from funds allotted.
8. Maintenance estimated, annual cost: Nothing additional.
9. Authority is also requested [illegible], at an estimated cost [illegible], in accordance with law and regulations, and to do the work by [illegible]; hired labor [illegible] $1062.00 ; [illegible]. This method of performance being considered the cheapest and most advantageous to the service.
10. The reasons for requesting authority to do this work partly or wholly by hired labor rather than contract are: More expeditious and economical.
11. Additional description and information:
    The repair of this wharf is necessary.
    Materials are on hand.

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Record OK HM
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E. S. Lamphier.
Superintendent of Lighthouses.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
Washington, APR 13 1925

OK Apr 13

Returned to the Superintendent of Lighthouses, approved as recommended, except as noted. You will proceed with the work and report its status, until completed, in your Monthly Report of Operations.

J. S. CONWAY
Acting *Commissioner.*

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Form 83

ESTIMATE OF COST OF PROPOSED WORKS

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

NAME OF AID: St. Marks L.H., Fla.

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES 8th DIST.

PROPOSED WORK: Rebuild 40 ft. wharf, repair remainder. Repair fence, shutters, etc.

New Orleans, La., April 11, 1925

ITEMS, QUANTITIES, AND UNIT PRICES		AMOUNT
2200 ft. b.m. Creosoted lumber @ $115.00 per M		$ 253.00
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Hardware, paint, etc.		42.00
LABOR:		
1 Foreman 1-1/2 mos. @ $145.00	$217.50	
1 Carpenter " " @ 85.00	127.50	
3 Laborers " " @ 65.00	287.50	
		632.50
Subsistence, 5 men, 45 days, @ $1.00 per day		225.00
Transportation and incidentals		205.50
Total		$1,500.00

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Estimate prepared by FAM

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

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OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT, 8TH DISTRICT
NEW ORLEANS, LA.
February 15, 1927

St. Marks L.S., Fla.,
Subsistence, teacher.

Commissioner of Lighthouses:

1. J. Y. Gresham, Keeper of St. Marks Light Station, Fla., writes this office under date of February 12, 1927, making application for the payment of subsistence of Mrs. F. R. Oliver, for a period of a little more than five months, while teaching the Keeper's children at that station.

2. There are four children of school age at St. Marks Light Station and the nearest school is seven miles distant. There are no other children of school age in the vicinity of the station.

3. It is recommended that the teacher's subsistence at the rate of $1.00 a day while teaching at St. Marks Light Station be authorized, payable from the appropriation "General Expenses, Lighthouse Service, 1927."

E. S. LANPHIER
Superintendent of Lighthouses

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For recommendation
July 17

Returned approved

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington
FEB 21 1927
G. R PUTNAM
Commissioner of Lighthouses

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NEW ORLEANS, LA.

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St.Marks L.S.,Fla.
Subsistence of teacher.

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

September 27,1927

Commissioner of Lighthouses:

1. This office has received a letter from J.Y.Gresham, Keeper of St.Marks Light Station, Fla., under date of Sept.23,1927, in which he makes application for the payment of subsistence of Mr. E. W. Roberts, for a period of about five months, while teaching the keeper's children at that station.

2. There are five children of school age at St.Marks Light Station and the nearest school is seven miles distant. There are no other children of school age in the vicinity of the station.

3. It is recommended that the teacher's subsistence at the rate of $1.00 a day while teaching at St.Marks Light Station be authorized, payable from the appropriation "General Expenses, Lighthouse Service, 1928."

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For and in the absence of the Superintendent.

Assistant Superintendent.

Rec OK - Rep 1927 par E art 369 provides at rate paid Lt Employe which in most cases is 50¢ per meal.

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Dep. Comptr.
Commissioner.

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Returned approved

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Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington
OCT 5 1927

G. R. PUTNAM
Commissioner of Lighthouses

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NEW ORLEANS, LA.

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LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

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St.Marks L.S.,Fla.,
Subsistence of teacher.

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

June 12, 1928.

The Commissioner of Lighthouses:

1. This office has received a letter from J. Y. Gresham, Keeper of St. Marks Light Station, Fla., under date of June 9, 1928, reading as follows:

"Miss Edna B. Willicombe began teaching our children on June 4, 1928. Names and ages of the children are: Alton, 15; Vera, 14; J.Y.,12; Laura, 7; Edna, 5. Nearest school seven miles. School term will be about five months. There are no other children of school age in the vicinity. Miss Willicombe is a regular public school teacher. Will the Government pay her subsistence expenses while teaching at this station?

I am sorry that it was impossible for me to comply with your request of May 19, 1921, as I did not know that Miss. Willicombe would teach for us until she arrived in St.Marks June 2, 1928."

2. It is recommended that the teacher's subsistence, at the rate of $1.00 a day while teaching at St.Marks Light Station,be authorized payable from the appropriations "General Expenses, Lighthouse Service, 1928 and 1929," for a period of about five months beginning June 4,1928.

E. S. Ramphier.
Superintendent of Lighthouses.

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Rec'd OK 6/14/28

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H. B. BOWERMAN
Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses

Returned approved

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February 9,1929.

Mr. C.M.Cross,
C/O Chero-Cola, Bottling Company,
Camilla, Ga.

Dear Sir:

1. Referring to your letter as to rules concerning mooring to lighthouse docks, and visiting light stations, etc.:

2. The matter is receiving attention and you will be further advised in regard thereto at an early date.

Respectfully,

F. P. DILLON

Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses.

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NEW ORLEANS, LA.

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LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

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

May 14, 1929

St. Marks, L.S., Fla.
Subsistence of teacher

Recd OK and WAR 5/24

Commissioner of Lighthouses:

1. This office has received a letter from J. Y. Gresham, Keeper of St. Marks Light Station, Fla., under date of May 11, 1929, in which he makes application for the payment of subsistence of Miss Edna Watts, for a period of about three months, while teaching the keeper's children at that station.

2. There are four children of school age at St. Marks Light Station and the nearest school is seven miles distant. There are no other children of school age in the vicinity of the station.

3. It is recommended that the teacher's subsistence at the rate of $1.00 a day while teaching at St. Marks Light Station be authorized, payable from the appropriation "General Expenses, Lighthouse Service, 1929."

E. S. LANPHIER
Superintendent of Lighthouses

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington
5/27/29

Returned approved

Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

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St. Marks L.S., Fla.,
Subsistence of teacher

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT, 8TH DISTRICT
NEW ORLEANS, LA.
January 16, 1930

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Asst. Asst.
Dep. Commr.
Commissioner

Commissioner of Lighthouses:

1. This office has received a letter from J. Y. Gresham, Keeper of St. Marks Light Station, Fla., under date of January 7, 1930, in which he makes application for the payment of subsistence of Mr. E. W. Roberts, for a period of about five months, while teaching the keeper's children at that station.

2. There are five children of school age at St. Marks Light Station and the nearest school is seven miles distant. There are no other children of school age in the vicinity of the station.

3. It is recommended that the teacher's subsistence at the rate of $1.00 a day while teaching at St. Marks Light Station be authorized, payable from the appropriation "General Expenses, Lighthouse Service, 1930."

E. S. LANPHIER
Superintendent of Lighthouses

Bureau of Lighthouses
JAN 20 1929
Returned approved
W. P. HARMAN
Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses

SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
FEB - 6 1930
NEW ORLEANS, LA.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
BUREAU OF BIOLOGICAL SURVEY

IN REPLY REFER TO

LIGHTHOUSES
1930 APR 14 AM 11 07

419 North Calhoun Street,
Tallahassee, Florida,
February 4, 1930.

LIGHTHOUSES
1930 FEB 17 AM 9 25

Superintendant of Lighthouses,
New Orleans, La.

Dear Sir:

The Chief of the Biological Survey, Department of Agriculture, at Washington, has requested me to obtain certain information touching the Lighthouse reservation at St Marks, Wakulla County, Florida, and in order to answer his inquiry satisfactorily I find the need for certain facts that you no doubt can easily supply, if you will be so good as to do so, being assured that they will be very genuinely appreciated.

When was the lighthouse property set aside for that purpose and was it done by Executive Order or was the land bought by the Federal Government and from whom? What is the area of the reservation and if you have a description of it giving the boundaries will you kindly let me have a copy, a rough one will do. I find from an examination of the tax books of Wakulla County that no land in the township wherein this reservation is is assessed to any one or marked as State land. There is only a small piece of land in this township, the lighthouse sitting near the very end of it. Land adjoining in the next township to the east is assessed to Brooks, Scanlan Corporation. I wonder if they have ever made any claim to land in the lighthouse township? If there is land belonging to the Government adjacent to the lighthouse reservation the Department of Agriculture would like to consider it for inclusion in a reservation for the protection of the water birds that are fairly abundant there. Your advices will be much appreciated.

Very respectfully,

Robert W. Williams

Robert W. Williams
Deputy U. S. Game Conservation Officer.

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1930 FEB 17 AM
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

BUREAU OF BIOLOGICAL SURVEY

419 North Calhoun Street,
Tallahassee, Florida.
February 4, 1930.

Superintendent of Lighthouses,
New Orleans, La.

Dear Sir:

The Chief of the Biological Survey, Department of Agriculture, at Washington, has requested me to obtain certain information touching the Lighthouse Reservation at St. Marks, Wakulla County, Florida, and in order to answer his inquiry satisfactorily I find the need for certain facts that you no doubt can easily supply, if you will be so good as to do so, being assured that they will be very genuinely appreciated.

When was the lighthouse property set aside for that purpose and was it done by Executive Order or was the land bought by the Federal Government and from whom? What is the area of the reservation and if you have a description of it giving the boundaries will you kindly let me have a copy, a rough one will do. I find from an examination of the tax books of Wakulla County that no land in the township wherein this reservation is, is assessed to any one or marked as State land. There is only a small piece of land in this township, the lighthouse sitting near the very end of it. Land adjoining in the next township to the east is assesses to Brooks, Scanlan Corporation. I wonder if they have ever made any claim to land in the lighthouse township? If there is land belonging to the Government adjacent to the lighthouse reservation the Department of Agriculture would like to consider it for inclusion in a reservation for the protection of the water birds that are fairly abundant there. Your advices will be much appreciated.

Very respectfully,

(Signed) Robert W. Williams

Deputy U. S. Game Conservation Officer

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NEW ORLEANS, LA.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

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St. Marks Lighthouse Reservation, Fla.

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

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Commissioner

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February 12, 1930.

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Commissioner of Lighthouses:

1. There is enclosed letter of February 4 addressed to this office by the Deputy U. S. Game Conservation Officer at Tallahassee, Florida, relative to the extent of St. Marks Lighthouse Reservation, Florida.

2. It appears from the records of this office, that the lighthouse reservation comprised fractional section 1 of Township 5 South, Range 1 East, and fractional sections 5 and 6 of Township 5 South, Range 2 East, in accordance with survey made by T. P. Brown, Superintendent, November 20, 1901, shown on enclosed blueprint dated January 2, 1902. Source of title appears to have been covered provisionally by Presidential order of November 12, 1838, reserving T5S, Ranges 1 and 2 East for lighthouse and military purposes, although no copy of this order is among the papers in this office. It further appears according to blueprint entitled "Statement of Land reserved for use of the Lighthouse Service in the State of Florida, up to 30 April 1911, agreeably to the request of the Secret. of Interior, dated 4 May 1911" received from the Bureau January 20, 1916, that the reservation comprises fractional section 36, Lot 1, of T. 5 S., R. 1 E., containing 86 acres, the permanent reservation of which was made under date of May 8, 1903, by the Secretary of the Treasury. This office has no copy of the authority last mentioned.

3. It further appears from correspondence on file among the papers in this office that T. 5 S., R 2 E., a portion of the reservation declared by the President's order of November 12, 1838, although not known to have ever been relinquished, was patented to the State as swamp land. The question arises whether R. 2 E., is still part of the reservation, or is only R. 1 E. reserved for lighthouse purposes.

4. The Bureau is therefore requested to answer the enclosed letter. It is also requested that this office be furnished a copy of the authority dated May 8, 1903, referred to above, and advise whether R. 2 E. is still part of the reservation.

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E. S. LANPHIER
Superintendent of Lighthouses.

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March 18, 1930.

Superintendent of Lighthouses, New Orleans, Louisiana.

Title to St. Marks Lighthouse Reservation, Fla.; 8th District letter of February 12, 1930, submitting for direct reply letter of February 4, 1930, from the Bureau of Biological Survey, Department of Agriculture.

1. It is noted from your letter of February 12, above referred to, that according to blueprint on file in your office entitled "Statement of Land reserved for use of the Lighthouse Service in the State of Florida, up to 30 April 1911, agreeably to the request of the Secret. of Interior, dated 4 May 1911", the St. Marks Lighthouse Reservation comprises fractional section 36, Lot 1, of T. 5 S., R. 1 E., containing 86 acres. The Bureau has no record of the blueprint in question. It is requested that a copy of same be furnished at the earliest date practicable.

2. ~~Exa~~examination of the Bureau's title files does not disclose that Section 36 has ever been reserved for lighthouse purposes. The title files do disclose, however, that fractional Townships 5 South, Ranges 1 and 2 East, shown as "A" and "B", respectively, on the inclosed blueprint, were provisionally reserved for military and lighthouse purposes by Presidential order of November 12, 1838. Later, as evidenced by indorsement of January 10, 1903 from the Chief of Engineers to the Secretary of War, on letter of November 25, 1902 from the former to the latter, copy of which is herewith, fractional Township 5 South, Range 2 East, appears to have been relinquished as no longer being required for military purposes. By indorsement of May 8, 1903 to the War Department, the Lighthouse Board expressed a desire to retain for lighthouse purposes the land contained in fractional Section 1, Township 5 S., R. 1 E, "on which the lighthouse is located". It is believed by the Bureau that this fractional Section, containing approximately 86 acres, is the extent of the St. Marks Lighthouse Reservation.

3. A further expression of your views in the premises is desired.

W. P. HARMAN

Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses.

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Incls.

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March 19, 1930.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of the Interior,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Secretary:

It is respectfully requested that this Department be advised the present status of fractional Townships 5 South, Ranges 1 and 2 East, Tallahassee Meridian, Florida, reserved for military and lighthouse purposes by Presidential order of November 12, 1838. A blueprint, dated May 18, 1829, showing the tracts of land in question, is inclosed herewith. Advice is also requested as to whether Section 36, shown on the print, was included in the Presidential order above referred to, and if so the present status of same.

Very truly yours,

E. F. MORGAN

Acting Secretary of Commerce.

Incl.

LIGHTHOUSES---Bureau's files.

Exact copy as signed by E. F. MORGAN

Mailed MAR 24 1930 by

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

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

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

March 25, 1930.

AMG:BA

St. Marks Lighthouse
Reservation, Florida.
File 30-19-E.

Inclosure Received

1930 MAR 27 AM 9 17

Commissioner of Lighthouses:

1. With reference to Bureau letter of March 18, 1930, relative to the extent of St. Marks Lighthouse Reservation, Florida:

2. There is enclosed photostat copy of the blueprint on file in this office entitled: "Statement of Land reserved for use of the Light-house Service in the State of Florida, up to 30 April 1911, agreeably to the request of the Secretary of Interior, dated 4 May 1911."

3. In view of the correspondence exchanged it is now believed that the reservation comprises fractional section 1 of T. 5 S., R 1 E., containing approximately 86 acres. It is not believed that the area is 8.1 acres as it readily appears from the survey of T.P. Brown, referred to in previous correspondence, that fractional sectional 1 is roughly 1690 x 2200 ft. or contains over 85 acres. Fraction section 36, as shown on enclosed photostat, is evidently in error, and will be changed to read "1", unless otherwise notified by Bureau.

For and in the absence of the Superintendent

C. G. Smith

Assistant Superintendent

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Incls.

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington, D. C.
April 10, 1930.

1. Returned to the Superintendent of Lighthouses, New Orleans, La. Herewith for your information and files is a copy of Bureau's letter of March 19, 1930, to the Department of the Interior and a copy of reply thereto, dated April 5, 1930, which is self-explanatory. Since it appears that the reservation comprises fractional section 1 of T. 5 S., R. 1 E., containing approximately 86 acres, no objection is seen to making the change as recommended in paragraph 3 above.

2. Letter of February 4, 1930 from the Deputy U. S. Game Conservation Officer, Tallahasse, Fla., submitted with your letter of February 12, will be answered by the Department and a copy forwarded to your office.

Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Mar 14, 1930.

1. Reference attached letter of Feb. 4, 1930 from the Department of Agriculture to the Supt of Lighthouses, New Orleans, La., and Supt's letter of Feb. 12, 1930 to the Bureau:

2. Examination of the title files discloses that Fractional Townships Nos. 5 of Ranges 1 and 2 South and East, shown as A and B on attached sketch (slip marked X) were reserved for military and lighthouse purposes by Executive Order of November 12, 1838.

3. Later, as evidenced by indorsement of Jan. 10, 1903, from the Chief of Engineers to the Secretary of War (slip marked X1), Fractional Township 5 South, Range 2 East (identified as "B" on sketch) was relinquished as no longer being required for military purposes, there being retained for lighthouse purposes Fraction Township 5 S. R 1 E (identified as "A" on sketch), upon which a lighthouse was built. (See slip marked X2, Indorsement of May 8, 1903 from the Treasury Dept to War Dept). Might be added that before War Department relinquished Range 2 East, the same was inadvertently patented to the State of Fla., on Dec. 6, 1883 as swamp land. It does not appear that the right to patent this land to the State of Florida has ever been adjudicated. However, this question is not at issue and does not concern the Lighthouse Service.

4. Sup't in his letter (par. 2) refers to a map entitled "Statement of Land reserved etc. etc. etc. There is no record of such map on file in L & P's files. He also states that Fractional Section 36, Lot 1, of T 5 S R. 1 E, containing 86 acres, was reserved for lighthouse purposes on May 8, 1903. This cannot be so. Taking into consideration paragraph 2 above and reference to sketch (slip marked X), fractional section 36 is out of the picture. What really was reserved was the land identified as A and B on sketch (Fractional Townships Nos. 5 of Ranges 1 and 2 South and East, respectively), the former now being identified as Fraction Section 1 T 5 S R 1 E, and only contains 8.1 acres, which is the extent of the St. Marks L. H. Reservation, more clearly shown on blueprint of Jan 2. 1902 attached.

5. Recommend reply to Supt's letter as per records on file here, and ~~and~~ the same time briefly reply to letter of Feb. 4, 1930 from the Dept of Agriculture, inclosing for that Dept's information a copy of blueprint dated Jan. 2, 1902, advising that Frac. Sec. 1, Township 5 S, R 1 E, comprising 8.1 acres is the extent of the lighthouse reservation, and that there is no objection to having same reserved as a refuge for birds. It is also recommended that Bureau's title record card, herewith, be changed to show the extent of this reservation.

Law & Property Div.
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Rec 98
Suggest agriculture also take the matter up with Interior
Concur. Would serve as check on Bu's records.
3/10-30
Rec 98
3/14
Will transmit Agriculture Dept with receipt & further reply from Dept of Interior
3/18/30

In Re; St. Marks L. H. Reservation.

Request ~~Recommend~~ two blueprints be made of the attached tracing for submission to Dept of Agriculture .

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Law & Property Division.

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April 11, 1930.

The Honorable,
The Secretary of Agriculture,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Secretary:

Referring to letter of February 4, 1930, from the Deputy U. S. Game Conservation Officer, Tallahassee, Florida, to the Superintendent of Lighthouses, New Orleans, Louisiana, wherein certain information is requested concerning the Lighthouse Reservation at St. Marks, Wakulla County, Florida, in order to carry out effectually the proposed plan of bird protection within this reservation and the immediate vicinity thereof:

You are respectfully informed that by Executive Order of November 12, 1838, there was reserved for military and lighthouse purposes, Fractional Township 5 South, Ranges 1 and 2 East, Tallahassee Meridian, as shown on the inclosed print dated May 18, 1829. Township 5 South, Range 2 East, no longer being required for military purposes, was withdrawn by the War Department and patented to the State of Florida on December 6, 1883. Township 5 South, Range 1 East, upon which was erected a lighthouse, was retained by this Department for lighthouse purposes. In accordance with a survey made on November 20, 1901, shown on blueprint dated January 2, 1903, also inclosed, the area of the lighthouse reservation is roughly 1690 x 2200 feet, and contains approximately 86 acres.

In the event an order is issued for the protection of birds within the St. Marks Lighthouse Reservation and the immediate vicinity thereof, this Department will be glad to render every assistance in accomplishing the end sought.

Very truly yours,

Acting Secretary of Commerce.

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1930 APR 14 AM 11 07

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Exact copy signed by ____

Mailed APR 14 1930 by ____

Copy sent to Sec. 4/17/30 mrk

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1930 APR 7 PM 3 33

UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
WASHINGTON

APR 5 - 1930

CHIEF CLERK

1930 APR 7 AM 9:25

The Honorable

The Secretary of Commerce.

My dear Mr. Secretary:

I have your letter of March 19, 1930, requesting the present status of certain lands reserved for military and lighthouse purposes by Executive order of November 12, 1838.

Fractional Sec. 36, T. 4 S., R. 1 E., Tal. M., Florida, consisting of Lots 1 and 2, was not reserved by the Executive order of November 12, 1838. Lot 1 was patented to Richard K. Call on July 28, 1838, and Lot 2 was patented to Isham G. Searey on October 20, 1835.

Fractional T. 5 S., R. 2 E., Tal. M., was placed under the control of the Secretary of the Interior by Executive order of June 8, 1903, for disposition under the act of July 5, 1884 (23 Stat. 103), or as may be otherwise provided by law. However, no action has been taken looking to the disposal of said fractional township under the act of July 5, 1884, as it was patented to the State of Florida on December 6, 1883, under the act of September 28, 1850 (9 Stat. 519).

The Executive order of November 12, 1838, is still in full force and effect as to fractional T. 5 S., R. 1 E., Tal. M.

Very truly yours,

John H. Edwards

Assistant Secretary.

Wrote to Sec'y of State as per request 4/7/30 M.J.

File

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March 19, 1930.

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The Secretary of the Interior,
Washington, D. C.

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Acting Secretary of Commerce.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

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SPECIAL
TELEGRAPHIC REPLY IS DESIRED

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

AMZ:BA

St. Marks Lighthouse Reservation, Fla.

2 Inclosure Received

LIGHTHOUSES
1930 JUN 7 AM 9 03

June 4, 1930.

Commissioner of Lighthouses:

1. Mr. Scott Reynolds, Civil Engineer, P. O. Box 555, Tallahassee, Florida, recently wrote this office requesting a plat of St. Marks Lighthouse Reservation, Florida, and upon being duly informed as to the requirements of an affidavit, has accordingly submitted to this office affidavit executed June 2, 1930, herewith attached.

2. In view of the statements contained in said affidavit, it is recommended that Mr. Reynolds be furnished a copy of the enclosed blueprint entitled "St. Marks Lighthouse Reservation, with notes and corrections as indicated.

E. S. LANPHIER

Superintendent of Lighthouses

Record OK: get Dept appvl + wire Supt as regd

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June 7/30

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Mar. Engr.
Personnel
Finance
Law & Prop.
Chief Clerk
Adm. Assist.
Dep. Commr.
Commissioner

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wrote mr Reynolds (Supt. letter)

3.

Tallahassee, Fla.,
June 2nd, 1920.

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AFFIDAVIT:

1. The undersigned is called upon to make a survey of a tract of sovereignty land of the State of Florida which lies approximately one and one-half miles from the ST. MARKS LIGHTHOUSE RESERVATION.

2. The nearest land lines are the north and west boundaries of the said Reservation which, from records in the State Capitol, appear to be the north and west boundaries of T. 5 S., R. 1 E., Tallahassee Meridian.

3. The Field Notes Division of the State Land Department possesses no information with reference to surveys of the said boundaries other than those dating in 1824 and 1858 or thereabouts, at which time no permanent monuments were established.

4. Therefore the undersigned requests information as to whether the U. S. Government has in recent years made a resurvey of the said lighthouse Reservation comprising Fractional T. 5 S., R. 1 E., and whether copy of plat of same, showing bearings, distances, permanent monuments, etc., is available.

5. If copy of plat as above is available, the undersigned desires one copy of the same.

6. The information requested will be used only for the purpose of tieing a survey of submerged sovereignty land of the State of Florida to the nearest land lines and will not be used for any purpose inimical to the interests of the U. S. Government.

(Signed) Scott Reynolds
.....

Before me this day personally appeared Scott Reynolds and swears that the statement above his signature is true and correct to the best of his knowledge and belief.

June 2nd, 1930.

(Signed) M. O. Barco
.....
Notary Public, State of Florida at large.
My commission expires July 10, 1933.

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June 9, 1930.

LIGHTHOUSES

1930 JUN 10 PM 3 25

Mr. Scott Reynolds,
P. O. Box 556,
Tallahassee, Florida.

Dear Sir:

Complying with your recent request to the Superintendent of Lighthouses, New Orleans, Louisiana, I take pleasure in forwarding herewith, certified over the seal of this Department, a blueprint copy of plat of St. Marks Lighthouse Reservation, Florida.

Very truly yours,

E. F. MORGAN

Acting Secretary of Commerce.

Enclosure.

LGJ:MC

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LIGHTHOUSES---Bureau's files.

Exact copy as signed by E. F. MORGAN

Mailed JUN 10 1930 by

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Washington, June 9, 1930

I HEREBY CERTIFY *that the annexed is a true copy of the original* blueprint plat of St. Marks Lighthouse Reservation, Florida,

on file in the Bureau of Lighthouses, Department of Commerce.

Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses.
(Official title)

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

I HEREBY CERTIFY *that* H. D. KING,

who signed the foregoing certificate, is now, and was at the time of signing, Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses

and that full faith and credit should be given his certificate as such.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, *I have hereunto subscribed my name, and caused the seal of the Department of Commerce to be affixed this* ninth *day of* June, *one thousand nine hundred and* Thirty.

E. F. MORGAN

Secretary of Commerce.

Act.

U. S. GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE: 1928

SAINT MARKS LIGHT HOUSE RESERVATION.

Frac. Sec. 1, Township 5 S., Range 1E. & Frac. Secs. 5 & 6, T5S, R2E. Florida.

Not part of Lighthouse Reservn.

This corner stone in place, May 1930



Scale.

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Survey made Nov. 20, 1901.

NOTE:- Reservation comprises Fract'l Sec. 1 of T. 5S., R. 1E. only.

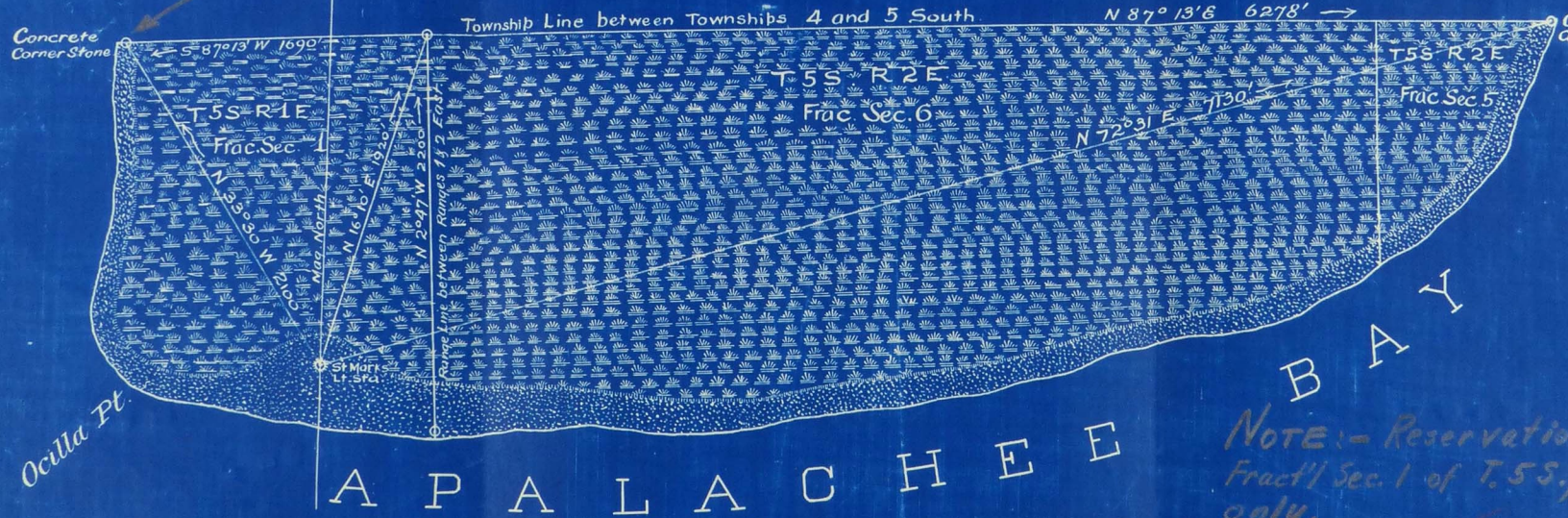
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SAINT MARKS LIGHT HOUSE RESERVATION.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
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Chief Clerk
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Purchasing Agt.
Construction

8-22-30

St. Marks L.S., Fla.

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

August 22, 1930

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Commissioner of Lighthouses:

1. The Keeper of St. Marks Light Station, Fla., expresses the wish to purchase, personally, a Fairbanks-Morse electric generating set and install same at the light station, the maintenance to be at his own expense.

2. The Bureau approved a similar request for the Keeper of Crooked River Range Light Station, Fla., in April, 1928, File No. 1881.

3. It is recommended that the Keeper of St. Marks Light Station be permitted to purchase, and have installed, a light plant for use in the dwelling, the work to be done under the supervision and approval of this office.

E. S. LANPHIER

Superintendent of Lighthouses

OK 1930 Aug 22

Washington, D. C.,
August 22, 1930

Returned to Superintendent of Lighthouses, New Orleans, La.
Approved.

H. B. BOWERMAN,
Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses.

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NEW ORLEANS, LA.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

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St. Marks L.S., Fla.,
Subsistence of teacher

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT, 8TH DISTRICT
New Orleans, La. October 16, 1930

Commissioner of Lighthouses:

1. This office has received a letter from J. Y. Gresham, Keeper of St. Marks Light Station, Fla., under date of October 12, 1930, in which he makes application for the payment of subsistence of Miss E. P. Roberts, for a period of about six months, commencing November 1, 1930, while she will be engaged in teaching the keeper's children at that station.

2. There are five children of school age at St. Marks Light Station and the nearest school is seven miles distant. There are no other children of school age in the vicinity of the station.

3. It is recommended that the teacher's subsistence at the rate of $1.00 a day while teaching at St. Marks Light Station be authorized, payable from the appropriation "General Expenses, Lighthouse Service, 1931."

E. S. LANPHIER
Superintendent of Lighthouses

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington
OCT 20 1930

Returned approved

W. P. HARMAN
Commissioner of Lighthouses

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Law & Prop.
Chief Clerk
Asst. Chief
Dep. Commr.
Commissioner

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Commissioner of Lighthouses

HBB:EBF

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Washington D C January 31 1931

Lighthouse Superintendent
New Orleans Louisiana

Bureau understands from Biological Survey whose bird reserve is adjacent to Saint Marks Light Station that a government dredge is working in vicinity and they desire that a small cross channel be dredged into the lighthouse wharf which is now inaccessible to Biological Survey boats Your prompt report and recommendation desired by wire for dredging channel not in excess of three hundred dollars while dredge is in vicinity

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Reply in 3019A

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

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

LIGHTHOUSES
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St. Marks Light
Station, Fla.

March 13, 1931

Recond OK, if there is no prospect of Supt installg his own at a early date
EHH Mar 16

Commissioner of Lighthouses:

1. J. Y. Gresham, Keeper of St. Marks Lighthouse, Fla., has requested permission to install an electric lighting plant in the store-room at the station. It is recommended that this authority be given with the understanding that the installation shall be in accordance with the instructions, and under the supervision, of this office, and that the wiring of the dwelling shall also be subject to the final inspection by a representative of this office.

2. The Keeper was advised about six months ago that, at some future date, in a year or two, the Government might install electric generators for the use of the main light and for lighting of dwelling.

3. It is recommended that the Keeper be permitted to install his own lighting plant under the provisions stated above.

E. S. LANPHIER
Superintendent of Lighthouses

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C.C. advise 8th this idea is approved providing the 8th Supt. furnish ... and fixtures, Keeper to perform the wiring ...

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington, D.C., March 17, 1931.
Returned to 8th Superintendent with statement that the above idea is approved, however, in order that there will be no question about the ownership of material in the future, it is requested that this be furnished by your office - keeper to do the work.

D 3/16.

W.P.HARMAN.
Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses.

C.

WPH

D 3/20

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NEW ORL[illegible]S, LA.
ESL: [illegible]

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

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St. Marks L.S., Fla.

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT, 8TH DISTRICT
NEW ORLEANS, LA.
March 23, 1931

3/27/31 - wrote 8th Supt.

LIGHTHOUSES
1931 MAR 25 AM 9:31

Commissioner of Lighthouses:

1. This office understands from the Bureau's indorsement of March 17, 1931, File No. 3019-E, on letter from this office of March 13, 1931, relative to the installation of electric lighting equipment at St. Marks Light Station, Fla., that the Bureau desires this Service to furnish the wiring and conduits but not the electric generator. Please advise. There are no funds available at the present time for furnishing electric generators.

E. S. LANPHIER
Superintendent of Lighthouses

3019E

IN REPLYING ADDRESS
COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES
AND REFER TO DATE OF THIS LETTER
AND FILE NO. 19-E

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
MAR 30 1931
NEW ORLEANS, LA.

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March 27, 1931.

Superintendent of Lighthouses,
New Orleans, Louisiana.

4/10/31 Mrta 8th Supt.

St. Marks Light Station, Florida.
Installation of Electric Lighting Equipment.

1. Referring to your letter of March 23, 1931, in reference to the above subject:

2. Advise the Bureau what it will cost to furnish the wiring, conduits and the electric generators, complete, for lighting the dwelling at this time, with provision for extension to the main light in the future, the Keeper to do the work.

For the Commissioner:

H. B. Bowerman

H. B. Bowerman
Chief Constructing Engineer.

OK par 6
Apr 8
OK Asst. Supt H

HBB:ORM
ESL:LEC

Office of Supt. of Lighthouses, 8th Dist.,
New Orleans, La., March 31, 1931

1. Returned to the Commissioner of Lighthouses:

2. The cost of purchasing the wiring and conduits will be approximately $50.00 or $60.00. The cost of purchasing two kerosene engine electric generators of 2000 watts each will be approximately $750.00. The cost of gasoline engine generating outfit, if only one or two were purchased, would run above $375.00 each, unless the Bureau has a contract at a less figure.

3. If the purpose of the inquiry in the above letter is to allot funds for this installation, it is desired to state that it is not as important as Ship Island Lighthouse, Miss., at which place an electric light should be installed before it is done at St. Marks, Fla. The commerce entering Ship Island Pass and Gulfport, Miss., is important; the commerce entering St. Marks, Fla., is relatively unimportant.

4. This office does not recommend the installation of gasoline engine electric generating outfits, but desires to use kerosene engine driven generators, in duplicate, with batteries. Wherever electric installations are made in the district, kerosene is used at very low price, while gasoline, at St. Marks for instance, cannot be purchased at reasonable rates, and there are no facilities for its storage. It is much more dangerous to handle than kerosene.

5. It is recommended that kerosene engine electric generating sets, with storage batteries, be adopted at St. Marks at the proper time.

6. It is recommended that, for the present, the wiring and conduits be purchased by this office and installed under its direction and supervision, and that no further immediate action be taken at St. Marks Light Station.

OK

E. S. LANPHIER

Superintendent of Lighthouses