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Name used in Service (Please Print – Last, First, Middle)	Service Number/SSN	Date & Place of Birth
Sievers, Maxmillian, T		1879 TX

MILITARY SERVICE

Branch of Service:

- ☐ Air Force
- ☐ Army Air Corps
- ☐ Army Air Force
- ☐ Army
- ☐ Marine Corps
- ☐ Navy
- ☐ Coast Guard
- ☐ Unknown

Type of Rank:

- ☐ Enlisted
- ☐ Officer
- ☐ Unknown

Service Period (Check all that apply):

- ☐ 1939 & Prior
- ☐ 1940 - 1950
- ☐ 1950 & After

Date & Place of Death: 1941 TX

State of Residence (upon entry into service):

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

Researcher Signature: Andrew Burns

CIVILIAN SERVICE

(Agency & Location)		
Lighthouse Service (TX) 8th Dist		
From: 1917	To: 1920	
(Agency & Location)		
From:	To:	
(Agency & Location)		
From:	To:	

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

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Appointment Time and Date:	Additional Researchers: ☐ Yes ☐ No
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Mr. Maximilian T. Sievers,

LEGAL RESIDENCE
Texas

INACTIVE

STATUS

DESIGNATION	SALARY	BUREAU OR OFFICE	DATE OF EFFECT OF ACTION AUTHORIZED
Keeper 8th. Galveston Jetty Temp. pend. encl. Dist. Texas	480	R. H. Last day. Arrived Sept. 30, 1918.	Aug. 14, 1918
Galveston Bayou Lts & Fog Signal Sta. Keeper (Prob.)	780.	"	Dec. 1, 1918

RESIGNED CLOSE OF Oct. 19, 1919

INACTIVE

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Form 73

NOMINATION

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES,
OFFICE OF ~~LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR~~ Eighth DISTRICT,

New Orleans, La., August 13, 1918.
(City.) (Date.)

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

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

Name, Maximilian T. Sievers. Legal residence, Texas.

Position, ~~Additional~~ Keeper in the Lighthouse Service. Salary, $480 p.a.

Location, Galveston Jetty Light Station, Texas. Appropriation, Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

Effective August 11, 1918, {'the actual date of entrance on duty, ~~or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty.~~

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

Location, - - -

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

No eligibles available.

Previous incumbent, Reeves Collins. Services terminated, July 11, 1918.

Reason, Resigned.

Members of family in Government Service, None.

Remarks: Due to the necessity for maintaining the full authorized complement of keepers at this station, Maximilian T. Sievers was assigned to duty on August 11, 1918. He has never been employed under any branch of the Department of Commerce. This nomination is made to fill the lowest rated position at this station, in accordance with Department letter of June 5, 1918.

Selection regular, subject to the action of the U.S. Civil Service Commission, August 20, 1918

Secretary, Civil Service District.

Superintendent of Lighthouses

Pending the establishment of a register of eligibles.

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

Acting Commissioner

1 Strike out the clause which does not apply.

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GENERAL APPOINTMENT—FIXED DATE

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

August 27, 1918.

Mr. Maximilian T. Sievers,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

You have been appointed, subject to taking the oath of office, and to actual entrance upon duty (unless on authorized leave) on the date indicated, Keeper in the Lighthouse Service at a salary of Four Hundred and Eighty dollars per annum, effective August 11, 1918.

Your appointment will continue for a period not to exceed thirty days from the date of establishment of a register of eligibles for permanent appointment.

APPOINTMENT DIVISION ENTERED AUG 28 1918 ON JOURNAL DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

(Signed) Clifford Hastings.

Chief of Appointment Division.

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Appropriation: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

Vice: Reeves Collins.

Legal Residence: Texas.

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Form 111

OATH OF OFFICE

(Prescribed by Section 1757, Revised Statutes)

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

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LIGHT SEP 16 1918 HOUSES

SEP 16 1918 10 40 AM

CHIEF CLERK

I, Maximilian T. Sievers,

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

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Maximilian T. Sievers.

(Appointee signs here)

[2] Sworn to (See below) and subscribed before me, this [3] 11th day of September, A. D. 191 8.

(Affix official seal here)

[4] (Name) Geo O'Keeley

(Official title) Notary Public

My commission expires June 1919

	Official Title	Rate of Pay	Name of Station, Vessel, or Place of Employment.
Present	Keeper in the Light-house Service	$480 p.a.	Galveston Jetty Light Station, Texas.
Former [5]	Temporary appointment for a period not to exceed 30 days from date of establishment of a register of eligibles for permanent appointment.		

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

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SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES.

Office of ~~Lighthouse Inspector~~ Eighth District

New Orleans, La., September 12, 1918.

(Address) (Date)

The above-named appointee entered upon duty on August 11, 1918. (Date)

SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES.

(Signature, followed by title)

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

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

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

[4] This oath should be taken before a justice of the peace, notary public, judge, clerk of a court, a chief clerk in the office of a lighthouse inspector or other employee in the Lighthouse Service designated by a chief clerk, or any other officer having authority to administer oaths, but never before a collector of customs or postmaster, as neither officer has power to administer oaths in such cases. In case the officer administering the oath has no seal, his official character should be duly certified to by the clerk of the proper court or the proper county clerk, except in the case of chief clerks in the offices of lighthouse inspectors and other employees in the Lighthouse Service designated by them, who are not required to have a seal.

[5] Give this information in all cases where new oath is required.
Failure to fill out this oath properly will result in its return for correction.

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LIGHT
SEP 16 1918
HOUSES

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

PERSONAL QUESTION SHEET

SEP 16 1918 10 40 AM

(To be furnished for each person appointed in the service of the Department immediately upon entrance on duty. The statement should be signed by the appointee or employee. If unable to write, he may sign by mark in the presence of one witness.)

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

Mr. Maximilian Theodore Sievers.

2. How do you intend to write your name on the pay roll? (This should agree with signature to your oath of office.) M. T. Sievers. 1918 SEP 16 PM 2 47

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

Lighthouse (Bureau or Service.) Galveston Jetty L.S., Texas. (Place (city, town, station, or vessel).) Eighth (District.)

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

5. Compensation $480 p.a.

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

7. In what manner did the employee enter the service? (Examples: "From stenography and typewriting examination ———, 191—;" or "Without examination;" or "By reinstatement;" or "By transfer from ———," stating Department, Bureau or Service, position, and salary, if known.)

Without examination (temporary appointment).

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

Galveston, (City or town.) Texas (State or Territory.) Galveston (County.) ~~Eighth~~ Seventh (Congressional district.)

9. When the legal residence given in answer to question 8 differs from that given in the certificate of appointment, the discrepancy should be explained.

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

11. Where were you born? San Antonio, Texas.

12. When were you born? August (Month.) 5th (Day.) 1879 (Year.)

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

14. What is your marital condition? Divorced

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

J. H. Sievers (Name.) 233 Savaca St. (Number and street.)
San Antonio, (City or town.) Texas. (State or Territory.)

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16. Are there any members of your family, besides yourself, in the civil service of the United States? No

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

Name.	Post-office address.	Position and department or office in which employed.	Relationship.	Married or single.
		Position		
		Department or office		
		Position		
		Department or office		
		Position		
		Department or office		

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

None

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

Department.	Bureau or Service.	Position.	Salary.	Appointed.	Separated.
Post Office		Sub. Carrier	(Salary what Carrier got whom I relieved)	Sept 1st 1902	Feb. 17-1903

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

None

20. Were you in the military or naval service of the United States during any war? (If so, give the information called for by the blanks below.)

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

21. If you served in the military or naval service of the United States other than during war time, indicate such service in the spaces below.

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

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

Relationship (widow or orphan) None

Name under which soldier or sailor rendered service

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

23. What was your occupation prior to entering the United States civil service? (It is intended that the answer to this question shall state briefly the lines of work followed by you before receiving your present appointment, with the exception of your service indicated in answer to questions 18, 19, 20, and 21.)

Carpenter & Cabinet Maker

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

4 yrs Private School ~ 3 years St. Mary's College San Antonio, Tex.

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

Carpenter

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

Carrier & Clerks Examination June 1902 at San Antonio, Texas.

27. Were the answers to the foregoing questions written by you? (If not, state the name and address of the person who wrote them for you.)

They were written by me.

Date, Sept 10th, 1918

Witness (in case signature is by mark):

(Signature) M. T. Sievers.

P. O. Address: P. O. Box 327
City or town.
Galveston
Number and street.
Texas.
State or Territory.

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

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Reviewed, approved, and forwarded September 12, 1918.

(Signature)

(Official title) Superintendent of Lighthouses 8th District

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MEMORANDUM SHOWING LAST DAY SERVED BY TEMPORARY EMPLOYEE

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

LIGHT HOUSES OCT 5 1918

APPOINTMENTS

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Name of employee Maximilian T. Sievers.

CHIEF CLERK

Designation Keeper in the Lighthouse Service. *Compensation* $480 p.a.

1918 OCT 7 PM 1 58

Place of employment Galveston Jetty Light Station, Texas.

Date of appointment: Aug.27,1918,effective Aug.1,1918, for a period not to exceed 30 days from date of establishment of a register of eligibles for permanent appointment.

Last day served September 30, 1918.

CARDED

APPOINTMENT DIVISION ENTERED OCT 11 1918 ON JOURNAL DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

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Superintendent of Lighthouses, 8th District.

(Official title.)

Date October 2, 1918.

Lighthouse Service.

(Bureau or service.)

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Form 73

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NOMINATION

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
OFFICE OF ~~LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR~~ Eighth DISTRICT,

New Orleans, La., November 22, 1918.
(Date.)

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

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HOUSES

Action recommended, Probationary appointment.

Name, **Maximilian T. Sievers.** Legal residence, **Texas.**

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

Location, **Galveston Harbor Lights and Fog-Signal Station, etc., Texas.** Appropriation, **Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.**

Effective **November 25, 1918,** {~~the actual date of entrance on duty, or~~ as soon thereafter as he enters on duty.

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

Location, - - -

Rank on eligible list, First. Rating **Assistant Keeper.** Percentage, **86**, Other eligibles considered:

No other eligibles available.

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Previous incumbent, Robert L. Payne Services terminated, **November 15, 1918.**

Reason, **Resigned.**

Members of family in Government Service, None.

Remarks: Maximilian T. Sievers previously served at Galveston Jetty Light Station as temporary additional keeper at $480 per annum, from August 11 to September 30, 1918, inclusive. Quarters are not provided at above station for the families of the keepers.

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Selection regular, subject to the action of the
U. S. Civil Service Commission, Nov. 23, 1918

Secretary, 10th Civil Service District.

for and in the absence of the Superintendent
E. S. Lanphier.
First Assistant Superintendent.

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

NOV 27 1918

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

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APPOINTMENT DIVISION
NECESSARY
NOV 30 1918
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Conway
Acting Commissioner

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

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CERTIFICATE OF PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

November 30, 1918.

Mr. Maximilian T. Sievers,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

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

By selection from certificate of eligibles (No. .....) issued by the Local Civil Service Board for the Eighth Lighthouse District.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

CARDED

APPOINTMENT DIVISION ENTERED NOV 30 1918 DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

(Signed) Clifford Blasingame

Chief of Appointment Division.

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Appropriation:
Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.
Vice:
Robert L. Payne,
Legal Residence:
Texas.

(See reverse side.)

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CHIEF CLERK

Form 111

OATH OF OFFICE

(Prescribed by Section 1757, Revised Statutes)

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LIGHT DEC 14 1918 HOUSES

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

I, Maximilian T. Sievers,

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

DEC 14 1918 10 AM

Maximilian T. Sievers
(Appointee signs here)

[2] Sworn to (See below) and subscribed before me, this [3] 9th day of December, A. D. 1918.

(Affix official seal here)

[4] (Name) J. L. Boddeker

(Official title) Notary Public in and for Galveston County Tex

My commission expires June 1 1919

Official Title	Rate of Pay	Name of Station, Vessel, or Place of Employment.
Present Keeper in the Light-house Service.	$780 p.a.	Galveston Harbor Lights and Fog-Signal Station, etc., Texas.
Former [5] Probationary appointment.		

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

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Office of ~~Lighthouse Inspector~~ SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES, Eighth District

New Orleans, La., December 11, 1918.
(Address) (Date)

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

CARDED

(Signature, followed by official title) SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES

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

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Form 93

LIGHT
OCT 24 1918
HOUSES

NOTICE OF RESIGNATION OR DEATH

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE ~~INSPECTOR~~ Superintendent Eighth DISTRICT,

CHIEF CLERK

New Orleans, La., Oct. 21, 1919

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THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Herewith is transmitted the resignation of the following-named employee:

Name, M. T. Sievers — Position, (1st Asst.) Keeper

Legal residence, Texas — Station, Galveston Harbor Light Station, Texas

APPOINTMENTS

Salary, $780 per annum

The acceptance of this resignation is recommended effective at the close of October 29, 1919

This employee has not taken leave in excess of the accrued rate.

Remarks:

APPOINTMENT DIVISION
NECESSARY
ACTION TAKEN
OCT 29 1919
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

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Superintendent of Lighthouses.

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

OCT 25 1919

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

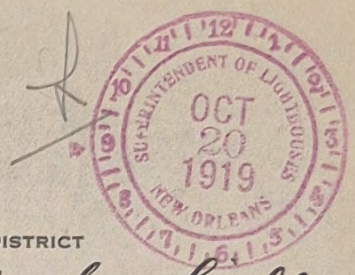
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Conway
Acting Commissioner.

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

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE



EIGHTH DISTRICT

Galveston Harbor Lights,
(Station, Depot, or Vessel)

Oct 16th 191 9



Superintendent of Lighthouses,
New Orleans, La. Through the Keeper.

Sir.— I hereby wish to tender my resignation to take effect at the close of Oct. 19th 1919. Would have liked to give 15 days notice but was ordered to report on board at 8 a.m. Oct 20th. I liked the service but wanted to go to sea again and took the first opportunity Hoping my resignation will be accepted in good faith I remain,

Respectfully,
M. T. Sievers
1st Asst. Keeper Galv. Harbor Lights.

P. S. Could you please arrange to have my salary check made payable to my sister Mrs. J. K. Andreae, 2516 Q½ as I will be sailing by next Thursday, or perhaps it can be arranged to send it to me before then today.

Respectfully
M. T. Sievers.

John D Babelliere Keeper.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

October 30, 1919.

Mr. Maximilian T. Sievers,
Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

The Department is in receipt of your resignation from the position designated below, and has accepted the same, upon recommendation of the Bureau, to take effect at the close of business on October 19, 1919.

Bureau..... Lighthouse Service

Station..... Galveston Harbor Light Station, Texas

Position..... Keeper

Salary..... $780 per annum.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

CARDED

(SIGNED) CLIFFORD HASTINGS

Chief of Appointment Division.

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