1942

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE/LIFESAVING SERVICE—RECORDS CHECKED

Employee Name: TURKINGTON Richard R **DOB:** 1845

Records checked:

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

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

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

AND

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

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

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

If Negative:

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

Agency: Treasury SRCs series 2 Area: Bay 13, Lower Catwalk positive negative

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

Agency: Coast Guard SRCs Area: Bay 13, Lower Catwalk positive negative

If Negative:

CMRS: possible CG service Area: _____ positive negative

ARCIS: _____ Area: _____ positive negative

Notes: _____

12 February, 1942.

Mrs. Fannie C. Turkington,
1326 Bancroft Way,
Berkeley, California.

Dear Madam:

1. Referring to your letter of February 10, 1942, you are advised that Richard R. Turkington was appointed an Engineer in the 18th Lighthouse District on Blunts Reef Lightship #83 commencing September 6, 1907. He entered on duty on May 8, 1917, as a Second Assistant Keeper, Cape Mendocino Light Station. He was retired at the close of February 28, 1918, retired pay $311.50 per annum. His last day of service on the Lightship was April 30, 1917

Very truly yours,

R. S. PATCH
Senior Coast Guard Officer
By direction.

DISTRICT
12 1942
U. S. COAST GUARD

February 10, 1942

Office Lighthouse Inspector
Customs House
San Francisco

Dear Sir:

Please inform me

(1) When Richardson R. Turkington was appointed engineer on lightship #83 at Alcatraz Reef, California. (I have reason to believe he began his service there in January 1908.)

(2) When he left the lightship, and

(3) When appointed to the lighthouse at Cape Mendocino, California;

(4) What date was he retired from

the lighthouse service? --

My record runs as far as March 1918, but no mention is made at that time of retirement.

Thank you for this information.

Very truly

Mrs Fannie B. Turkington

1326 Bancroft Way

Berkeley, California.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
Office of the Disbursing Clerk
Washington

List 8
July 15, 1930

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES

There has been filed in this office General Accounting Office Certificate of Settlement No. 0233769 settling an account of your bureau.

Amount: $3.46

Appropriation debit

60414 Retired Pay, Lighthouse Service, 1930.

Creditors

Fannie C. Turkington

Balance of retired pay due the estate of Richardson R. Turkington, deceased, for services rendered by him as an employee of the Commerce Dept., Lighthouse Service, for the period March 1, 1930 to March 4, 1930, inclusive.

Disbursing Clerk, Commerce.

COPY sent Superintendent of Lighthouses 18th District

Date: 9-29-30

WW:SM
ENCLS.

June 13th, 1930.

Commissioner of Lighthouses.

1. Referring to Bureau Circular No. 105-a, dated March 1st, 1929, relative to payments due deceased persons, there is forwarded herewith signed voucher in favor of Mrs. Fannie C. Turkington, widow of Richardson R. Turkington, deceased, covering his retired pay for the period March 1st to March 4th, 1930, inclusive, amounting to $3.46. There is attached to the voucher executed Form 1055, and receipted funeral expense bills which were paid from personal funds of Mrs. Fannie C. Turkington. As Mr. Turkington left no estate no letters of administration are to be taken out.

Standard Form No. 1034a
Form approved by
Comptroller General U. S.
June 18, 1926

Public Voucher for Purchases and Services other than Personal

D. O. Vou. No. _____
No. _____

(Voucher prepared San Francisco, Calif. May 26, 1930.)
(Give place and date)

U. S. Department of Commerce, Lighthouse Service, 18th Lighthouse District
(Department, Bureau, or Establishment)

Appropriation: Retired Pay, Lighthouse Service, 1930.

PAID BY

(For use of Paying Office)

THE UNITED STATES, Dr., To Mrs. Fannie C. Turkington, Widow of Richardson R. Turkington, Deceased. (Payee)

Address 1326 Bancroft Way, Berkeley, California. Payee's Acct. No. _____

Payee must NOT use this space

Contract No. _____ Date _____ Req. No. _____ Date _____

Activity Lighthouse (retired employee) For retired pay.

Expenditure Symbol	No. and Date of Order	Date of Delivery or Service	ARTICLES OR SERVICES (Enter description, Item Number of Contract or General Supply Schedule, and other information deemed necessary) Terms _____% Discount Cash _____ days	QUANTITY	UNIT PRICE Cost	UNIT PRICE Per	AMOUNT Dollars	AMOUNT Cts.	NOTATIONS Payee must NOT use this column
		March 4th 1930	Retired pay of Richardson R. Turkington, Deceased, March 1, 1930, to March 4, 1930, inclusive, 4 days at $311.50 per annum				3	46	
			MEMORANDUM Sign Here						
			Standard Form 1055 making application for settlement by Mrs. Fannie C. Turkington, attached.						

Do NOT sign

(This certificate not required when a like certificate is made by payee on attached bill or bills)

I certify that the above bill is correct and just, and that payment therefor has NOT been received.

MRS. FANNIE C. TURKINGTON
Mrs. Fannie C. Turkington, Widow of Richardson R. Turkington, Deceased.
*Payee

Per _____
Title _____

TOTAL, 3 46

(Additional statements by Department, Bureau, or Establishment, if deemed necessary)

(Accounting Classification)

2110

(Payee must NOT use this space)

Differences: _____

Account verified; correct for $ 3 46

(Signature or initials) _____

I certify that the above articles were received in good condition, after due inspection, acceptance, and delivery prior to payment as required by law, or the services performed as stated; that they were procured under the contract numbered above or the unnumbered contract attached hereto, or that they were procured without written contract, in open market, and with or without advertising, under the circumstances stated in No. _____ of "Method of or Absence of Advertising" shown on reverse hereof, and were necessary for the public service; and that the prices charged are just and reasonable and in accordance with the agreement.

†Approved for $ 3.46

(Memorandum—Do not sign)

†_____

Title Superintendent of Lighthouses

Paid by { Check No. _____, dated _____, for $ 3.46 } on Treasurer of the United States in favor of payee named above.

Cash, $_____, on _____ *Payee _____

(Memorandum—Do not sign)

Per _____

Title _____

* When a voucher is signed or receipted in the name of a company or corporation, the name of the person writing the company or corporate name, as well as the capacity in which he signs, must appear. For example: "John Doe Company, per John Smith, Secretary," or "Treasurer," as the case may be.

† If the ability to certify and authority to approve are combined in one person, one signature only is necessary; otherwise the approving officer will sign in the blank space below "Approved for $_____," and over his official title.

GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE 10—1751

Standard Form No. 1055
Form approved by Comptroller General U. S.
April 21, 1928

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NOTICE.—Read carefully instructions on back before executing this application.

APPLICATION FOR SETTLEMENT BY THE GENERAL ACCOUNTING OFFICE OF AMOUNTS DUE DECEASED OR INCOMPETENT CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES, OFFICERS AND ENLISTED MEN IN THE MILITARY SERVICE, AND PUBLIC CREDITORS OF THE UNITED STATES (INCLUDING PENSION AND CIVIL SERVICE RETIREMENT CHECKS)

STATE OF California
COUNTY OF Alameda } ss:

Amounts due from the United States in excess of $500 (except certain Retirement and United States Veterans' Bureau claims) may be paid only to the legally appointed executor or administrator of the estate of the decedent, or as may be ordered by the Court. In case of incompetency, all amounts due must be paid to the guardian or committee of the estate of the incompetent, or as may be ordered by the Court.

1. I, FANNIE C. TURKINGTON, being duly sworn, say that I am residing at 1326 Bancroft Way (Street address) city of Berkeley, county of Alameda, and State of California and that on the 4th day of March, 1930, Richardson R. Turkington (Name of decedent or incompetent) had his (His or her) personal domicile in and was a resident of the city of Berkeley, county of Alameda and State of California, and on said date died intestate (Died testate or died intestate or was declared incompetent)

2. That at the time of his (His or her) decease or incompetency he (He or she) was connected with the United States as follows:

A retired Second Assistant Lighthouse Keeper, Lighthouse Service, Department of Commerce

(If civilian employee, active or retired, give name of department or establishment and bureau or office; if an officer or enlisted man, active, retired, or pensioned, in Army, give rank and organization, or if in Navy or Marine Corps, give rank, vessel or station and serial number; if public creditor, give connection)

3. That at the time of his (His or her) decease or incompetency there remained due and unpaid to him (Him or her) from the United States the sum of --Three-- Dollars and --Forty-Six-- Cents ($ 3.46), EXCLUSIVE OF ANY ACCRUED RETIREMENT FUND DEDUCTIONS ~~AND NOT INCLUDING A PENSION OR RETIREMENT ANNUITY~~, for the payment of which application is hereby made.

4. That at the time of his (His or her) decease or incompetency there existed the following-described unpaid official checks and/or warrants, drawn to his (His or her) order as payee, and for the payment of which application is hereby made:

Check or Warrant No.	By Whom Drawn	Symbol No.	Amount	
			Dollars	Cents
NONE				
		Total,		

5.* That I am the legally appointed _____ (Executor, administrator, guardian, or committee) of the estate of decedent or incompetent, as appears from the certificate of the _____ Court, county of _____ State of _____, herewith, taken out in the interest of _____ (Give name, address, and relationship of interested relative or creditor)

or—

6.* That the decedent left no assets subject to administration, except the sum or sums above claimed to be due from the United States and None (List other assets left by decedent and give approximate value)

that there has been no administration upon such estate and if this claim is paid no administration will be required, and that the answers to the following questions are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief:

(a) What was your relationship to the intestate? Wife (now Widow)
(State whether widow, husband, child, grandchild, father, mother, brother, or sister of the whole or half blood, child of deceased brother or sister of the whole or half blood, nephew, or niece)

(b) Have the funeral expenses been paid? Yes

(c) If so, by whom, and state amount? By applicant, in total amount of $405.09 for grave and undertaker's charges.

(d) Was payment made out of funds belonging to the estate of the intestate? No

(e) If not, was payment made by you out of your own personal funds? _____ (The receipted itemized bill of the undertaker must be attached hereto.)

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*In case of testacy, intestacy with administration of estate, or incompetency, fill out paragraphs 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6 (f) when applicable, omitting remainder of paragraph 6 and the affidavit of corroborating witnesses.
In case of intestacy without administration of estate, fill out paragraphs 1, 2, 3, 4, and 6 (a–f) when applicable, and the affidavit of corroborating witnesses, omitting paragraph 5.

(*f*) If the intestate left a surviving widow, husband, child, or child of a deceased child, enter below the name of each and relationship to the intestate, together with the name of deceased child of the intestate who was the parent of surviving grandchildren.

NAME OF SURVIVOR	ADDRESS	RELATIONSHIP TO INTESTATE
Mrs. Fannie C. Turkington	1326 Bancroft Way, Berkeley, Calif.	Widow

(*g*) If the intestate is survived by parents, enter below the name of each; if one parent is deceased, so state; if the surviving father has abandoned the support of his family, so state.

NAME OF SURVIVOR	ADDRESS	RELATIONSHIP TO INTESTATE
None		

(*h*) If the intestate left a brother or sister of the whole or half blood, or child of a deceased brother or sister of the whole or half blood, enter below the name of each and relationship to the intestate, together with the name of deceased brother or sister of the intestate of the whole or half blood who was the parent of surviving nieces and nephews.

NAME OF SURVIVOR	ADDRESS	RELATIONSHIP TO INTESTATE
None		

(*i*) Have you received the benefit of any exemption or allowance from the estate of the deceased, and if so, to what extent? None

(*j*) State any additional facts on which you base your claim to any amount or amounts found due:

Sign Here

(Signature by mark must be witnessed)

(SIGNED) MRS. FANNIE C. TURKINGTON
(Signature of applicant)
Mrs. Fannie C. Turkington.

(Signature by mark must be witnessed)

(Signature of applicant)

Also personally appeared before me Mrs. Lelia Tucker and A. R. Tiernan

both of Berkeley, county of Alameda, State of California

who, being duly sworn, say that they were well acquainted with the above-named Richardson R. Turkington
(Name of decedent or incompetent)

and with his (His *or* her) family and affairs; that they are well acquainted with Mrs. Fannie C. Turkington

the applicant herein; that they have read the statements made by the applicant in the foregoing affidavit and that such statements are true to the best of their knowledge and belief.

Sign Here

(SIGNED) MRS. LELIA TUCKER
(Sign here)

(Signatures by mark must be witnessed)

(SIGNED) A. R. TIERNAN
(Sign here)

Subscribed and sworn to before me by applicant and corroborating witnesses at Berkeley, California

this 3rd day of June, 19 30

[SEAL] NOTARIAL SEAL

(SIGNED) VIOLA TABLER
Notary Public.

READ CAREFULLY

Amounts due to the estates of deceased creditors of the United States are payable primarily to the executors or administrators of the estates of such creditors. In each such case a short certificate of letters testamentary or of administration, if issued, with a showing whether still in force and effect, and this application signed by the executor or administrator, shall be forwarded to the General Accounting Office, Washington, D. C.

If an executor or administrator has not been and will not be appointed and an amount not in excess of $500 is due the estate of a deceased creditor of the United States, the amount due may be paid to the person or persons who under the laws of the domicile of the decedent or an applicable Federal statute would be entitled to receive the money if administration were had. In such case this form of application should be executed by such person or persons and transmitted to the General Accounting Office, Washington, D. C.

In case of an *incompetent* creditor, a short certificate showing the appointment and qualification of a guardian or committee of the estate of the incompetent, whether bond, if required, has been given, and whether appointment is still in force and effect, and application on this form for the payment of the sum or sums from the United States, signed by the guardian or committee, shall be transmitted to the General Accounting Office, Washington, D. C.

Payments to be made on this form are for the convenience and accommodation of the claimants and the burden of proving the existence of the conditions under which such payments may be made rests upon them.

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Phone Berkeley 5466

Berkeley, California, April 28, 1930.

Mrs. Fannie C. Turkington,
1326 Bancroft Way,
Berkeley, California.

To: SUNSET VIEW CEMETERY ASSOCIATION, Dr
San Pablo and Fairmont Avenues

Terms Cash

1930			
March	6	Grave 6, Lot 162, Block A Section for Richard R. Turkington.	$90.00

Paid in Full
Sunset View Cemetery Ass'n
3/6/30 per M.E.

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LAKESIDE 5748

BESSIE J. WOOD CO

2850 Telegraph Avenue

Oakland, March 5, 1930

Mrs. Fannie Turkington

SERVICES FOR Richard Turkington, March 6th, 1930

Funeral service, consisting of casket, embalming, hearse, funeral notices, and other service incidental to the conduct of a funeral..... $315.00

Received payment
BESSIE ~~EL~~ WOOD CO
Bessie Wood

WW:SM
ENCL.

June 5th, 1930.

Mrs. Fannie C. Turkington,
1326 Bancroft Way,
Berkeley, Calif.

Dear Madam:

1. Referring to letter from this office of May 26th enclosing voucher made out in the name of Richardson C. Turkington, and affidavit for execution by you, the affidavit has been returned, but not the voucher. In case the voucher has been mislaid another voucher is enclosed, with the request that you sign it at the point indicated and return it to this office for submission to Washington, D.C.

Very truly yours,

H. W. RHODES

H. W. RHODES,
Superintendent of Lighthouses.

WW:MJS
Encl.

May 31, 1930.

Mrs. Fannie C. Turkington,
1326 Bancroft Way,
Berkeley, California.

Dear Madam:-

1. Referring to your letter of May 29th, the affidavit in question is returned for execution, the words for grave and undertakers charges having been added to question 6 (c). The bill of Mrs. Berdrow, Christian Science Practitioner, is enclosed as requested.

Very truly yours,

H. W. RHODES

Superintendent of Lighthouses.

W W.

MAY 31 1930

1326 Bancroft Way
Berkeley, California
May 29, 1930

Mr. H. W. Rhodes
Superintendent of Lighthouse
Customhouse, San Francisco

Dear Sir:

In reply to your letter of the 26th instant, I am returning the affidavit unsigned, and would ask that you kindly change it under 6(c), by inserting "the purchase of the grave and the undertaker's charges", as stated in your letter.

The receipted bill of Asa Berdrow which I forwarded with the other bills upon your request, was not returned with your letter of the 26th. Will you kindly return it.

Very truly yours,

Mrs Fannie C. Turkington

Mrs. Fannie C. Turkington

Red File.

WW:SM
ENCLS.

May 26th, 1930.

Mrs. Fannie C. Turkington,
1326 Bancroft Way,
Berkeley, Calif.

Dear Madam:

1. Referring to the voucher returned by you for correction of name from "Richard C. Turkington" to "Richardson C. Turkington", a new voucher is enclosed for your signature. Corrected affidavit is also enclosed for execution by you. Please return the voucher and affidavit as soon as practicable.

2. In the case of funeral expenses the amount included in the affidavit of $405.00 covers the cost of the essential funeral expenses, such as the purchase of the grave and the undertaker's charges. The originals of these two receipted bills must be forwarded with the voucher and affidavit to Washington.

3. As it will not be necessary to forward the receipted bills for gravemarker, rosetree, and for charges of Dr. Peters and Mrs. Margaret MacKenzie, these receipted bills are returned for your files.

Very truly yours,

H. W. RHODES,
Superintendent of Lighthouses.

WW:SA

May 14, 1930.

Fannie C.Turkington,
1326 Bancroft Way,
Berkeley, Calif.

Dear Madam:

Referring to your letter of April 30, 1930, there is enclosed a Voucher which you are requested to sign. Sign Fannie C. Turkington at point indicated.

There is also enclosed Form 1055. It is requested that you sign this Form Mrs. Fannie C. Turkington at the point indicated before a Notary Public. It is also requested that two parties well acquainted with Mr. Turkington and yourself, swear to such fact before a Notary Public as required by such Form.

As soon as the Voucher and Form have been signed, please forward them to this Office. They will then be forwarded to the Bureau of Lighthouses for approval and payment direct to you.

Very respectfully,

H. W. RHODES

Superintendent of Lighthouses.

MAY 14 1930

1326 Bancroft Way
Berkeley, California
April 30, 1930

Mr. H. W. Rhodes
Superintendent of Lighthouses
San Francisco, California

WW:PMM

Dear Sir:

Replying to your favor of the 9th instant,--

1) Please send me the papers necessary for me to fill out as the widow of R. R. Turkington, and I will have them properly executed and returned to you.

2) Mr. Turkington left no estate.

3) The funeral expenses were paid by me and the receipted bills therefor are enclosed herewith.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs) Fannie C. Turkington

Mrs. Fannie C. Turkington

MER-CHT

Richardson R.Turkington:
return to duty.

January 21, 1918

Commissioner of Lighthouses,

1. Referring to Department authority of January 11, 1918, extending the leave without pay of Richardson R. Turkington, second assistant keeper of Cape Mendocino Lightstation, California, for a period of eight days commencing December 17, 1917,

2. The Bureau is informed that Mr Turkington resumed duty on December 25, 1917, and that he has no relatives in the Government service.

Inspector

"Thrive by Thrift, Buy War Saving Stamps."

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF CLERK

WASHINGTON

LIGHT
JAN 11 1918
HOUSES

LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
JAN 21 1918
SAN FRANCISCO

January 11, 1918.

Commissioner of Lighthouses:

In accordance with the Bureau's recommendation of the 3rd instant, the Department has approved the application of Richardson R. Turkington, second assistant keeper of Cape Mendocino Light Station, California, for an extension of leave without pay for a period of eight days commencing December 17, 1918.

By direction of the Secretary:

E. C. Lawrence

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington
January 12, 1918.

To Lighthouse Inspector, ... San Francisco, Cal. .....
for his information, guidance, and files of office.

Bowerman

Acting Commissioner

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WW:AMG
Enc.

Subject: R. R. Turkington,
Leave Without Pay

Dec. 28, 1917

Commissioner of Lighthouses

There is enclosed a request of Richardson R. Turkington, 2nd Assistant Keeper of Cape Mendocino Light Station, California, at $540.00 per annum, for an extension of leave without pay for a further period of eight days, commencing December 17th.

It is recommended that this request be approved, owing to the disability of Mr. Turkington, whose annual and sick leave have been exhausted.

In the absence and by direction of the Inspector

W. W. Wilson

Copy for Keeper, Cape Mendocino Light Station

(COPY AMG)

Berkeley, California

December 17, 1917.

To Lighthouse Inspector 18th District

Sir:

I have endeavored to return to the Station before my leave of absence expired, but owing to my premature exertions to get around on my feet, I had a slight set back.

Therefore, I request a further extension of eight days.

Respectfully submitted,

R. R. Turkington, (Signed)
2nd Asst. Keeper,
Mendocino Light Station

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.

Department of Commerce and Labor

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
DEC 28 1917
SAN FRANCISCO

EIGHTEENTH DISTRICT

Cape Mendocino
(Station, Depot, or Vessel)

Dec 25, 1917

Inspector 18th Light House Dist
San Francisco Calif

Sir

I beg hereby to inforne You that Richardson R Turkington 2d asst report to duty after 70 days sick leave

Respectfully Yours
Jensen
Keeper

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LIGHT DEC8 1917 HOUSES

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF CLERK

WASHINGTON

December 7, 1917.

LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR DEC 19 1917 SAN FRANCISCO

Commissioner of Lighthouses:

In accordance with the Bureau's recommendation of the 3d instant, the Department has approved the application of Richardson R. Turkington, second assistant keeper of Cape Mendocino Light Station, California, for an extension of leave without pay for a period of one month beginning November 17, 1917.

By direction of the Secretary:

E. W. Libbey

Acting Chief Clerk.

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Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington.
Dec. 13, 1917.

To Lighthouse Inspector, ...San Francisco, Cal.....
for his information, guidance, and files of office.

Bowerman

Acting Commissioner

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HOUSES

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF CLERK

WASHINGTON

November 21, 1917.

LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
DEC 10 1917
SAN FRANCISCO

Commissioner of Lighthouses:

For the reasons stated in the Eighteenth Inspector's letter of the 9th instant, and in accordance with the Bureau's recommendation of the 19th instant, the Department has granted one month's leave without pay to Richardson R. Turkington, second assistant keeper of Cape Mendocino Light Station, California, at $540 per annum, beginning October 17, 1917.

By direction of the Secretary:

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington,
December 4, 1917.

To Lighthouse Inspector, San Francisco, California.
for his information, guidance, and files of office.

Acting Commissioner.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
WASHINGTON

LIGHT HOUSES NOV 22 1917

November 21, 1917.

LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR DEC 10 1917 SAN FRANCISCO

Commissioner of Lighthouses:

The Department is in receipt of the Eighteenth Inspector's letter of the 4th instant, forwarded by the Bureau on the 19th instant, reporting that the conduct of Richardson R. Turkington, formerly engineer on light vessel No. 83, has been satisfactory since his transfer to the position of second assistant keeper of Cape Mendocino Light Station, California, and approves the recommendation that no further action be taken in this case.

DEC 10 1917

E. F. [illegible]
Acting Secretary.

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington,
December 4, 1917.

SanFrancisco, California.

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

Bowerman
Acting Commissioner.

C-N.

RWW-CHT

R.R.Turkington:
leave without pay.

November 17, 1917

Commissioner of Lighthouses,

1. Inclosed is the request of Richardson R. Turkington, second assistant keeper Cape Mendocino Lightstation, California, $540 per annum, for an extension of leave without pay for a further period of one month commencing November 17, 1917.

2. It is recommended that this request be approved owing to the continued disability of Mr Turkington, whose annual and sick leave has been exhausted.

Inspector

Copy for keeper, Cape Mendocino

1326 Bancroft Way, Berkeley, Cal.,

November 17th 1917

The Lighthouse Inspector,

San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:-

Owing to continued ~~illness~~ disability I respectfully request an extension of leave without pay for a period of one month, commencing November 17, 1917.

Respectfully,

2nd Asst.Keeper, Cape Mendocino Lightstation,Cal.

HWR-CHG

Richardson R. Turkington:
leave without pay.

November 8, 1917

Commissioner of Lighthouses,

1. Inclosed is a request from Richardson R. Turkington, second assistant keeper Cape Mendocino Lightstation, California, $540 per annum, for leave without pay for a period of one month commencing October 17, 1917.

2. Mr Turkington makes this request owing to ill health, all annual and sick leave being exhausted. It is recommended that the request be granted.

H.W. Rhodes.

Inspector

1326 Bancroft Way, Berkeley, Cal.,

November 5th 1917

The Lighthouse Inspector,

San Francisco, Cal.,

Sir:-

Owing to illness, all authorized leave being exhausted, I respectfully request leave without pay for a period of one month, commencing October 17, 1917,

Respectfully,

2nd Asst.Keeper,Cape Mendocino Lightstation,Cal.

HWR-CHT

November 6th 1917

Mr R.R.Turkington,
1326 Bancroft Way, Berkeley, Cal.

1. Referring to the certificate of Dr H.T.Crane, dated October 27,1917, as to your disabled condition, and to the approval of this office of October 4th,1917, to your request for leave of absence, you are informed that your total allowance of leave for the present fiscal year is as follows:

Lightvessel, Jany to April, 4 months - at 7½ days per month,		30 days
Lightstation, May to December, 8 months - at 2½ days per mo.		20 days
	Total	50 days

You were absent from the lightvessel:-

January 7 to Feby 2 - - - -	26 days
April 1 to April 25 - - - -	23 days
Total	49 days

Consequently only one days leave was due you instead of eleven as previously stated, and to cover your absence during October and November it will be necessary for you to apply for leave without pay for one month (or such part of a month as needed). Inclosed is a form of application which you should sign and return to this office without delay.

2. Check for your services from October 1st to 16th is inclosed; viz.
Left station October 15, time not counted
October 16, last day of leave
October 17, commencing leave without pay.

H.W.Rhodes.
Inspector

Copy for Keeper, Cape Mendocino.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Washington

Allowance leave

L. V. - 4 mos = 30 days.

Station - 8 mos = 20 "

50

Absence =

L. V. = 49 days.

Mendacia =

Oct. 14

Nov.

No. 203
Ed. 10-26-15—1,000,000

Dr. H. W. Crane
WEST BERKELEY BANK BUILDING
Telephone Berkeley 660

file

NOV -4 1917

Residence, 1801 Delaware Street
Telephone Berkeley 8862W

Station A, Box 1, Berkeley, Cal. October 27th'17.

NOV -5 1917

Captain Rhodes,

Light house Inspector,

San Francisco, Calif.

Sir:-

This is to certify that R.R.Turkington is totally disabled, being confined to the house by reason of a strain with swelling and pain about the left ankle.

Very truly,

H. W. Crane M.D.

Form 76

SHORE LIBERTY OR LEAVE OF ABSENCE OF KEEPERS

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
OCT -3 1917
SAN FRANCISCO

REQUEST

Cape Mendocino Sept 30th, 1917
(Station.)

LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, 18th DISTRICT:

I respectfully request that I be granted 12 days of shore liberty or leave, from October 10th to October 22d, inclusive, 1917. I have had one days shore liberty or leave to date during this calendar year.

This application for shore liberty or leave is made in accordance with regulations governing this subject for this class station and with the understanding that I furnish, if required, at my own expense, a substitute competent in all respects to perform my duties and who will be satisfactory to you.

The name and address of the substitute I propose to furnish follow:

Substitute not required
(Name.) (P. O. Address.)

If leave is granted, my address during absence will be as follows, and any change will be reported to the keeper in charge of the station:

1326 Bancroft Way, Berkeley Calif
(Street or R. D. Route.) (City.) (State.)

Forwarded. Approval recommended.
Proposed substitute is considered satisfactory and competent.

J Jensen
Keeper in charge.

R R Burkington
(Applicant's signature.)

2d Asst
(Title.)

AUTHORITY

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR, 18th DISTRICT, October 4th, 1917

The above application for shore liberty or leave is hereby approved for eleven days, from October 10th to October 22nd, inclusive, 1917 7 (Sundays excluded)

Substitute need not be furnished during this absence. On April 30th you had exceeded your leave on L.V.#83 by 19 days, which added to eleven days granted herein makes 30 days-- your total allowance. No further leave with pay can be granted you for balance of year.
(Insert "must" or "need not.")

H. W. Rhodes.
Inspector, 18th *Lighthouse District.*

FINAL REPORT

Absence begun: At ____ M. ____, 191 .
(State nearest hour.)

Returned to duty: At ____ M. ____, 191 .
(State nearest hour.)

Period of absence: ____ days.

Period charged: ____ days.

Certified correct and forwarded.

Keeper in charge.

(Applicant's signature.)

(Title.)

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HWR-CHT

Richardson R. Turkington November 4th 1917

Commissioner of Lighthouses,

1. In compliance with Bureau request of May 14, 1917 on letter from this office of May 4, 1917, relative to the conduct of Richardson R. Turkington, formerly Engineer of Blunts Reef Light Vessel No 83, now second assistant keeper at Cape Mendocino Lightstation, California.

2. The Bureau is informed that Mr Turkington's conduct has been satisfactory since his assignment to duty at Cape Mendocino, and recommendation is made that no further action be taken in his case.

RHODES

Inspector

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LIGHT HOUSES MAY 10 1917

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR, 18TH DISTRICT
CUSTOMHOUSE
SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.

LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR MAY 19 1917 SAN FRANCISCO

Report 11/4/17

Richard R. Turkington.

May 4, 1917.

MAY 23 1917

Commissioner of Lighthouses.

On March 9, Richard R. Turkington, Engineer of Blunts Reef Light Vessel No. 83, submitted a requisition for a new valve stem for a bottom blow-off valve on his vessel. His request was accompanied by a sketch which could not be clearly interpreted by the Asst. Superintendent and the Mechanician. The Asst. Superintendent, therefore, addressed a letter of inquiry to Mr. Turkington on March 18, requesting further information.

On April 7, the General Inspector, while aboard Blunts Reef Light Vessel discovered that the Engineer, under date of March 26, had entered in his log book a statement to the effect that he had received back his sketch from the office with "Tom-fool queries in regard to thread and dimensions".

Mr. Turkington was relieved of his duty as Engineer of Blunts Reef Light Vessel No. 83 on April 30, and has been directed to proceed to the Cape Mendocino Light Station to report for duty as second assistant keeper at that station.

Since Mr. Turkington's entry in his log book was extremely disrespectful to proper authority, it is recommended that the Bureau address a severe letter of reprimand to him.

Rhodes.

H B Bureau of Lighthouses May 14, 1917.

Returned with statement that in view of Mr. Turkington's recent transfer and reduction the Bureau does not deem it advisable to take any further action at this time. Submit further report regarding his conduct, with recommendation, the expiration of six months from date.

Putnam

(Over)

FJO-CHT

January 30, 1917

Mr R.R.Turkington,
1326 Bancroft Way,
Berkeley, Cal.

1. Referring to the extension of your leave of absence, as there is no steamer scheduled for February 5th, you are directed to return to your vessel on the steamer of Saturday, February 3, 1917. In closed is your transportation. Please call in office on morning of sailing for the mail.

2. The office learns that Asst Engineer Burke has been quite ill, although much better when the Mate left,and your services may be required on board at any time.

In the absence and by direction of the Inspector,

Superintendent

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HWR--JFT

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR, 18TH DISTRICT
CUSTOMHOUSE
SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.

May 5th, 1917.

Mr. R.R. Turkington,
#1? Bancroft Way,
Berkeley, Cal.

S i r:-

Referring to your letter of May 5th:

You are advised that no charges are pending against you.

Respectfully,

H.W. Rhodes.

Inspector, 18th Lighthouse District.

Cape Mendocino Light Station
May 10th 1917

Captain H W Rhodes

Sir Acknowledging your communication of May 5th, permit me to express my appreciation of your reply to my request of that date

Respectfully

R R Turkington

THIS COPY MAY BE USED FOR REPLY

MAY -5 1917

MAY -7 1917

San Francisco, California.
May 5th, 1917.

H. Rhodes, Inspector, 18th Lighthouse District,
Department of Commerce, Lighthouse Service,
Custom House,
San Francisco, California.

Sir:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter of May 2nd, 1917, for which please accept my thanks.

No offense toward any one was intended by me. I will report at once as directed.

In the meantime, please forward to me a copy of any charges which may be pending against me in order that I may have an opportunity to be heard in my own behalf.

Respectfully,

R R Burlington

MAY -7 1917

RWR--JFT

May 5th, 1917.

Mr. R.R. Turkington,
#1326 Bancroft Way,
Berkeley, Cal.

S i r:-

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Respectfully,

H.W. Rhodes.

Inspector, 18th Lighthouse District.

MAY -7 1917

HWR-IG.

Richard R, Turkington.

May 4, 1917.

Commissioner of Lighthouses.

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attach
Turkington's appt -

May 2, 1917.

Mr. R. R. Turkington,
1326 Bancroft Way,
Berkeley, Cal.

Sir:

After further consideration of information received in to-day's mail relative to improper conduct on your part by entering remarks derogatory to this office in your log book on Blunts Reef Light Vessel No. 83 on March 26.

It has been decided to not withhold your appointment as Second Assistant Keeper in the Lighthouse Service, assigned to duty at the Cape Mendocino Light Station, pending action by the Department on your conduct.

Your appointment, therefore, is inclosed, and you are directed to proceed to the Cape Mendocino Light Station as soon as practicable, and report to the Keeper for assignment to duty, advising this office of the date on which you intend to proceed to your new station.

Respectfully,

H. W. Rhodes.

Inspector, 18th Lighthouse District.

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Department of Commerce and Labor

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
MAY -2 1917
SAN FRANCISCO

EIGHTEENTH DISTRICT

Blunts Reef L. V. 83
(Station, Depot, or Vessel)

May 1st, 1917

MAY -3 1917

Light House Inspector,
San Francisco. California,
Sir.

Attached is the sheet from Engineer Turlington's Log Book, which General Inspector. Tuttle ordered me to report by writing to You, And also to note in the deck Log. the order, And the exceptions taken of the State of the Engine Room Department.

Respectfully.
Henry L Perotte
Master

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APR -2 1917
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OFFICE OF INSPECTOR, 18TH DISTRICT
CUSTOMHOUSE APR -2 1917
SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.

March 19, 1917.

Engineer Light Vessel 83,
(Through the Master.)

Replying to your letter of March 9th, inclosing sketch of valve stem for bottom blow-off valve:

The sketch is returned herewith and you are directed to reply immediately giving the following additional information:

What is the length of the threaded part, 3/8" in diameter and how many threads per inch has it? 3/8" X 3/8" or over with nut to fit. or as per note on revised sketch - Washer and split pin

Is the next section, marked 1/2" across, round ~~or square?~~ for hand wheel,

What do the dotted lines indicate; ~~a threaded hole in the stem~~ ~~or~~ a keyway? ~~If~~ a key way ~~give its width and depth.~~ will cut Key-way aboard

Hasn't the part of the valve stem makred 5/8" diameter worn to that size? Can it be made 3/4" diameter? NO! NO!

Give the make of the valwe if it has a manufacturer's name on it. Special Blow off pattern (New Oak Ship Building Co) Marked on both flanges 22/L 54

RHODES

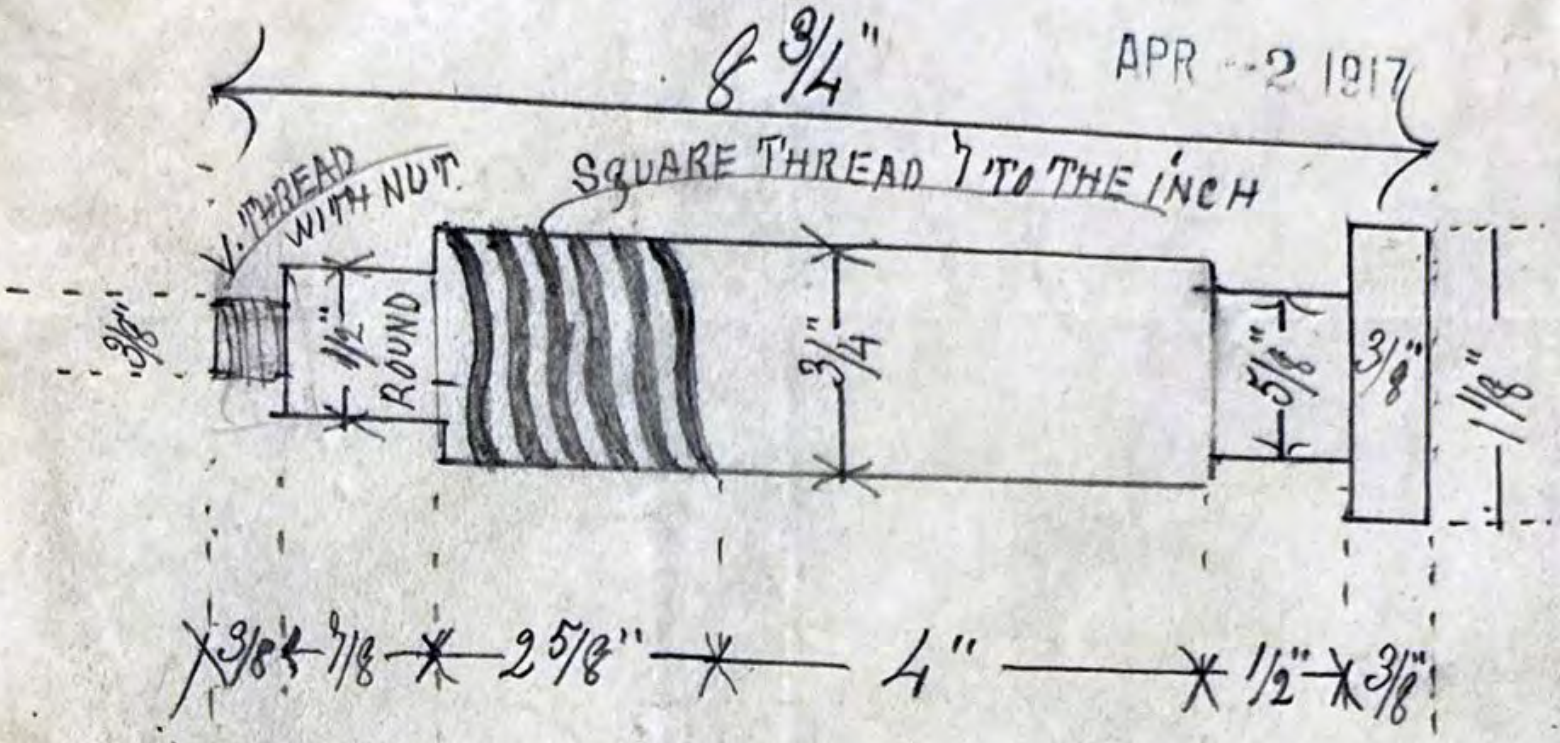
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APR -2 1917
SAN FRANCISCO

For 1¼" Blow off Valve Spindle



The V thread can be cut out and a hole for a split pin and washer substituted. The Hand wheel fits on the 1/2" round.

2 Required (Soft Brass)

One urgent

For Light-Vessel Blunts Pc 83

R R Tinkington
Engr

18th DISTRICT, Monday March 26th, 1917

	POUNDS OF COAL.		GALLONS OF OIL.					Pounds of Waste.	Pounds of Grease.	Cords of Wood.
	Anthracite.	Bituminous.	Lubricating.	Cylinder.	Kerosene.	Gasoline.	Fuel.			
For steaming										
At anchor or dock		116450								
Expended this day		2200								
Remaining		114250								

2200
100

Distance run to midnight, ____ miles.

Water on hand at midnight, 2100 gallons.

Water distilled during last 24 hours, — gallons.

REMARKS: Wind N 23-18-13 to E & E to S E & E. Overcast, misty, moderate sea

Topeka south at 9.30 AM

Liberty party returned G Lundberg and Mail and meals and Ticket of spindle returned with Tom Ford queries in regard to thread and dimension

Jacked Main Engine 2"

April 4th 1917. General Inspector E. W. Scott, on examining the log's of the L.V.B. Wished to know if the Master was present when the above was written. And if the Local Inspector of 18th District was notified. The Master informed the General Inspector of his absence on leave stating Mr Nilson, Mate, had spoken to Engineer Burkington when the above phrase was inserted in Log, B.O.R. The Master was notified to write the Inspector, also stating the Condition the Engine Room was found in by General Inspector.

Letter forwarded by Master. Complying with orders

Jerry E. Scott

Approved: P R Burkington

Engineer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
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STEAM LOG OF THE U. S. L. H. SERVICE Light Vessel Blunts Pt 83

HOUR.	Boiler Pressure.	ENGINES. Steam Cut-off, H.P.	Vacuum.	Reading of Engine Counter.	Revolutions per Minute.	Speed of Vessel.	Circulating Pump Engine.	Dynamo Load.	FUEL CONSUMED. Coal.	Oil.	TEMPERATURES. AIR. Atmosphere.	Engine room.	Fireroom.	WATER. Sea.	Discharge.	Feed.	Saturation of Water in Boilers. S. or F.	P. or A.
	Lbs.	Inches.	Inches.	Number.	Number.	Miles.	Revs. per Minute.	Amps.	Lbs.	Galls.	Deg.	Deg.	Deg.	Deg.	Deg.	Deg.		
A. M. 1											50 53	68	70	46				
2																		
3				Submarine.														
4				Start 12 00		Stop 11 15A		Time 11-15										
5				12 45p		7 30p		6-45										
6				8 40p		9 25p		0-45										
7								18-45	400									
8																		
9				Whistle														
10				6 25A		6 50A		-25										
11				7 10A		7 55A		-45										
Noon				8 10A		11 20A		3-10		2200								
P. M. 1				12 50p		7 25p		6-35										
2								10-55										
3									1600									
4				Evaporator 9 Hrs					1000									
5				Banked 12 Hrs					800									
6				All other					500									
7									4500									
8																		
9																		
10																		
11																		
Mid.																		

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR, 18TH DISTRICT
CUSTOMHOUSE
SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.

HWR-CHT

April 24th 1917

Master, Blunts Reef Light Vessel No 83,

1. Replying to your letter of April 17th relative to improper entries by Engineer Turkington in his log book and to other matters of neglect in the engineer department, there is inclosed a letter directing Mr Turkington to report to this office when properly relieved to answer charges of improper conduct of his department.

2. You are directed to cut out the page in the Engineer's log containing the entry referred to in your letter and to forward it in a safe manner to this office - making sure that there will be no probability of its being lost in transit.

3. You are directed to furnish transportation to Mr Turkington to San Francisco.

Inspector

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OFFICE OF INSPECTOR, 18TH DISTRICT
CUSTOMHOUSE
SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.

HWR-CHT

April 24th 1917

Mr Richardson R. Turkington,
Engineer, Blunts Reef Light Vessel No 83,
Through the Master,

1. Referring to my letter to you of April 17th relative to your transfer as second assistant keeper at the Cape Mendocino Lightstation, you are informed that your instructions therein for reporting for duty at the Cape Mendocino Lightstation are revoked, and that after having properly turned over your department to your successor, Mr Herbert E. Wallis, you will report at this office pending investigation of charges of the improper conduct of your department.

2. Your appointment as second assistant keeper at the Cape Mendocino Lightstation will not become effective until after the charges made against you have been passed upon by the Bureau of Lighthouses.

Inspector

HWR-IG.

April 24, 1917.

Master, Relief Light Vessel No. 76.

In answer to your letter of April 21, relative to the condition of the engineer's department of Relief Light Vessel No. 76, you are advised that some one will visit the ship at the earliest practicable date for the purpose of making a thorough inspection of that department.

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EIGHTEENTH DISTRICT

Blunts Reef L.V. 83
(Station, Depot or Vessel.)
April 4th, 1917

Light House Inspector. 18th District
San Francisco. California
Sir

April 4th, Inspector Scott, Visited, And Inspected L.V. 83. from 8 a.m. to 10 45 a.m.

She found, And reported the deck Department in good order, And Condition.

On inspecting the Engine Room Department. he found fault with the following.

Store Rooms dirty, Required cleaning. And stores Kept in better order.

outside Store Rooms. Aft. Hatch. Paint Work cleaned.

Sides of Vessel Around Pumps etc near Boilers. Scaled And Painted. Sides, evidently painted when damp.

Considerable Water. Fresh, in Engine Room Bilges which Could be Kept dry by proper attention.

Wing Bunker. Port Side requires Scaling. & Painting. Master informed Inspector Scott. that

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EIGHTEENTH DISTRICT

Blunts Reef L/B 53
(Station, Depot, or Vessel.)
April 8th, 1917

Inspector Rhodes, had ordered the Work done November 1916, by Ships Force.

Sub Maine Bell, Air Compressor found to be very loose in bearings. The Assistant Engineer stated it could not be tightened up to run any smoother.

Fireman Pott, December 1916, informed the Master, if allowed to line up bearings of Air Compressor, it would run without noise.

Arrival Aboard

Fresh Water in Lower Fore Hold, Inspector Pott stating. More Water is wasted than is used.

On examining the Log Book, he noticed the following, in the Engineers Log.

"Tom Fools Queries, etc from office," Entry March 26th

The Master informed the Inspector, it was written during his absence on leave. On returning to duty, Mr. Nelson informed the Master of the occurence. And remarked to the Engineer, very foolish of you to put such Writing in the Log. Inspector Pott ordered the Master to notify the Inspector, And enter the same in deck Log.

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EIGHTEENTH ~~DISTRICT~~

Point Reyes L.V. 83
(Station, Depot, or Vessel)

April 8th, 1917

Several of his remarks on Log, read more like technical ads. No W.R. authorized by you to be performed by Crews Force in Engine Room has been ordered or begun.

On your Visit of Inspection, I request you examine some of the Crews Papers. One Member has always spelled his name quite different to the Spelling on Naturalization Paper, Also all letters and Correspondence received are spelled different to the Naturalization Paper

Respectfully
Henry R. Perotte
Master

Copy

April 2, 1917

To Capt. H.W.Rhodes.
Lighthouse Inspector, 18th District,
San Francisco, California,

Sir:

Thanking you for your communication of March 15th, I should be obliged if you would furnish me with copies of the complaints you refer to, together with the name of the person making each; so that I may have the opportunity of clearing them up at once, which I feel to be necessary for I am not now in a position to act upon what I know nothing about. Although I appreciate your suggestions, it seems inadvisable to follow it as I know of no reason requiring the course. It would, however, be agreeable to me to be transferred to another station or to shore duty, and I desire to make request herewith for such a change.

Immediately upon receipt, I proceeded to answer your letter and had my reply all written to put aboard the Topeka on her trip down, but she passed by without taking mail as she did also on her return trip. both ways. Such being the case, I concluded to take the opportunity to revise my reply, which I did.

Prior to this time, the adjustment of my truss had become faulty, causing extreme inconvenience and pain. Being temporarily disabled, I knew that the emergency would compel me to come down for immediate relief upon the Captain's return. Accordingly the situation was explained to him and request made for emergency sick leave, and the Captain gave me passage on the Topeka on March 31st. In view of this, I desire to request leave for ten days, until I get a new truss from New York, as indicated by the certificate of Dr. H.W.Crane enclosed herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) R.R.Turkington

Engr. L.V.83.

April 2 - 1917.

APR - 4 1917

Capt. H. W. Rhodes.

Sir:- This is to certify that I have this day called upon R. R. Turkington who is suffering from Inguinal hernia: Being partially disabled from his usual vocation.

In order that he may resume his work without disability it will be necessary to fit him with a proper fitting truss which will take ten days or more to get the apparatus from New York

Very Respectfully.

H. W. Crane M. D.

Berkeley

Cal.

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SAN FRANCISCO

EIGHTEENTH DISTRICT

Blunts Reef L V #83
(Station, Depot, or Vessel)

March 31st, 1917.

APR -3 1917

Light House Inspector
San Francisco. Calif.

Sir.

On my Arrival on board L V #83, I Conveyed your Verbal Message to Engineer Turkington, respecting ignoring your previous letter, and informed him, that his leave of Absence would not Commence until the Month of May, having had 24 days leave to date.

His reply, to the letter, was unable to send before. I informed him he was liable to Suspension without pay for neglect of orders, etc.

His reply, is to the effect, that he is unable to stay on board longer on Account of the hernia with which he is troubled. And Contemplates undergoing treatment

He has been unable to perform Any duty since the Master was on Vacation.

The Mate stating, Engineer Turkington several times had to lay down on Account of Ruptures Falling

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EIGHTEENTH ~~DISTRICT~~

Bluff Reef L.T. 83

(Station, Depot, or Vessel)

March 3/4, 1917

On account of his request to seek treatment, I have allowed him leave subject to your approval.

Several times he is subject to Violent attacks Caused by the Rupture falling. And is unfit to perform Any duty during that time.

Seaman Edward Ericksen has resigned Voluntary. "Cause going East."

Request a Seaman be forwarded to L.T. as soon as practicable. April 6th.

Herman Post. Fireman is on Vacation. He will be able to inform You of the Condition of Various parts of the Boiler And Machinery.

Respectfully

Henry L. Perotti

Master

MAR 17 1917

HWR-IC.

March 15, 1917.

Mr. R. R. Turkington,
Engineer, Blunts Reef Light Vessel No. 83.

You are advised that there are on file in this office a great number of charges of inefficiency and neglect of duty against you made by officers and members of the crew on board Light Vessel No. 83. You are further advised that the general condition of your department has been unsatisfactory at inspections of the vessel for the past several years, and that the number of necessary repairs when the vessel arrives in port are greatly in excess of those required on any other similar vessel in the district.

Your efficiency reports have been unsatisfactory to the Bureau and the Department for several years, and a further report and recommendation in your case has been called for.

It is the Inspector's opinion that the unsatisfactory condition of your department is due to your inability on account of your advanced age and physical infirmities to properly look after the work rather than to lack of knowlege of the work in hand. Whatever the reason, however, it is apparent that the care of the engineer department on Light Vessel No. 83 should be entrusted to a younger and more vigorous man.

It will be much more agreeable to me to have you tender your resignation from the service at this time than to be obliged to prefer against you all of the charges now on file in this office and force your dismissal from the service, and if you desire to take such a course, it is requested that you advise me to that effect immediately. You are advised that under your rights as a civil service employee you cannot be forced to resign, and that you can only be removed from the service for good and sufficient reasons upon the confirmation of charges which are a sufficient cause ~~to require~~ your separation from the service.

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Sent in personal envelope -
opened in office during Inspector's absence -

LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
MAR 10 1917
SAN FRANCISCO

MAR 16 1917

March 9/17

1477 Sixth Avenue
S. F.

Capt A. W. Rhodes.
Sir.

For your private information, I will give the following relating to the Working of the Engine Room Dept.

The Engineer in Charge, R Turkington, has never taken any interest in the Working of his department since I joined L.V. 83. February 1913. And previous to joining the Vessel, under the late Master he acted in the same way.

Your order to him at Mare Island in My presence, was, to scale the side Bunkers, he made several Complaints that the Crew would not perform the Work, which were false. To the present time, he has not made any effort to attempt the Work. In fact the idea of performing the same is entirely out of his Mind. He has had Ample time And help.

Leaving Mare Island. I heard Fireman Port and Sunday Complain of the L. P Cylinder. And heard Engineer Turlington State. "It is Satisfactory"

The inside of the Port Boiler, is, According to the Statement of the Assistant Engineer, and Fireman Port, in Anything but Satisfactory Condition.

Frequently during the day. Controversy Arguments Arise between the Engineer. The Assistant requesting the Engineer to Assist in Keeping the Department in Good shape.

On my return to the L V. January 23rd 1917. The Fog Whistle and S W. Bell were not in Working Condition. The S. W. B. being out of Commission, beyond repairs, According to Engineer Turlington.

On January 4th He was allowed to go on leave, Assistant Engineer Burke. Accused the Engineer of leaving the Vessel in a Very bad Condition. Stating in the Masters presence You know you are unable to Keep the Bell in operation, and he will show you that it

Can be done. I spoke to Fireman Port about the Construction of the Machinery. And he stated he would have the Bell And Whistle in Good operation by 3 PM. At noon the S. M. Bell has assembled January 1st, And up to the present date. March 6th when I left the Vessel, the S. M. Bell has operated Distinctly And Cheerily. A Spare Governor has placed in lieu of the one in use, And the Whistle has Worked Cheerily Since.

Engineer Turlington, Since his return from leave has never inspected the Bell, Has no idea when the Cracks. And Simply does not Care to. His Chief Aim is Eating & Sleeping. In fact the Crew Consider his position a Joke, Asking the Firemen who is the Engineer of the Vessel. I look on Fireman Port. As the Mainstay of the Engine Room. The Assistant is classed by the Engineer, As only fit to Scrub And Paint, being given no Power The Air Compressor. Sounds like a trip hammer no attempt being made to line up Bearings.

Respectfully. Henry C Perrotte. Master

LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
APR 14 1917
SAN FRANCISCO

Dr. H. W. Crane
West Berkeley Bank Building
Phone Berkeley 660
Residence Phone Berkeley 8862

Station A, Box 1,
Berkeley, California,
April 13, 1917.

Lighthouse Inspector, 18th District,
Captain H. W. Rhodes,
New Custom House,
San Francisco, California.

Sir: Although Mr. Turkington feels it very urgent to return to his duties immediately, I consider it inadvisable for him to leave without the new truss, for which he came down and which I desire to adjust to him satisfactorily. This truss was expected today and as it has not been received, it will probably arrive within the next two or three days; therefore I request that this necessary extension of time be granted for Mr. Turkington.

Respectfully yours,

H. W. Crane M.D.

HWC/NC

C.H.T.
granted -
notify Turkington -

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OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT, 18TH DISTRICT
CUSTOMHOUSE
SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF.

March 10, 1930.

Commissioner of Lighthouses.

1. The Bureau is advised that Richardson R. Turkington, who was retired as Second Assistant Keeper, Cape Mendocino Light Station, on January 16, 1919, with compensation at the rate of $311.50 per annum, died on March 4, 1930.

For and in the absence of the Superintendent.

A. J. Otter

Assistant Superintendent.

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Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington

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Submitted to Secretary of Commerce for his information

W. P. HARMAN

Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses

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Richardson R.Turkington:
return to duty.

January 21, 1918

Commissioner of Lighthouses,

1. Referring to Department authority of January 11, 1918, extending the leave without pay of Richardson R. Turkington, second assistant keeper of Cape Mendocino Lightstation, California, for a period of eight days commencing December 17, 1917,

2. The Bureau is informed that Mr Turkington resumed duty on December 25, 1917, and that he has no relatives in the Government service.

H.W. Rhodes

Inspector

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January 11, 1918.

Commissioner of Lighthouses:

In accordance with the Bureau's recommendation of the 3rd instant, the Department has approved the application of Richardson R. Turkington, second assistant keeper of Cape Mendocino Light Station, California, for an extension of leave without pay for a period of eight days commencing December 17, 1918.

By direction of the Secretary:

SIGNED) GEO. C. HAVENNER

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington
January 12, 1918.

To Lighthouse Inspector, ...San Francisco, Cal.....
for his information, guidance, and files of office.

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OFFICE OF INSPECTOR, 18TH DISTRICT
CUSTOMHOUSE
SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.

Subject: R. R. Turkington,
Leave Without Pay

Dept rec'd 1/2 Jan 3

Dec. 28, 1917

Commissioner of Lighthouses

There is enclosed a request of Richardson R. Turkington, 2nd Assistant Keeper of Cape Mendocino Light Station, California, at $540.00 per annum, for an extension of leave without pay for a further period of eight days, commencing December 17th.

It is recommended that this request be approved, owing to the disability of Mr. Turkington, whose annual and sick leave have been exhausted.

In the absence and by direction of the Inspector

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington.
Jan. 9, 1918

Submitted to Secretary of Commerce recommended for approval.

By direction of the
Commissioner

Chief Clerk.

Berkley Dec 17th 1917

LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
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To Light House Inspector 18th Dist

Sir

I have endeavored to return to the Station before my leave of absence expired, but owing to my premature exertions to get around on my feet, I had a slight set back. Therefore I request a further extension of 8 days.

Respectfully submitted

R R Burkington

2 Asst Keeper

Mendocino Light Station

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December 7, 1917.

Commissioner of Lighthouses:

In accordance with the Bureau's recommendation of the 3d instant, the Department has approved the application of Richardson R. Turkington, second assistant keeper of Cape Mendocino Light Station, California, for an extension of leave without pay for a period of one month beginning November 17, 1917.

By direction of the Secretary:

(SIGNED) E. W. LIGHT

Acting Chief Clerk.

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Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington.
Dec. 13, 1917.

To Lighthouse Inspector, ...San Francisco, Cal.....
for his information, guidance, and files of office.

Acting Commissioner

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November 21, 1917.

Commissioner of Lighthouses:

For the reasons stated in the Eighteenth Inspector's letter of the 9th instant, and in accordance with the Bureau's recommendation of the 19th instant, the Department has granted one month's leave without pay to Richardson R. Turkington, second assistant keeper of Cape Mendocino Light Station, California, at $540 per annum, beginning October 17, 1917.

By direction of the Secretary:

(SIGNED) GEO. C. HAVENNER

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington,
December 4, 1917.

To Lighthouse Inspector, ... San Francisco, California.
for his information, guidance, and files of office.

Acting Commissioner

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November 21, 1917.

Commissioner of Lighthouses:

The Department is in receipt of the Eighteenth Inspector's letter of the 4th instant, forwarded by the Bureau on the 19th instant, reporting that the conduct of Richardson R. Turkington, formerly engineer on light vessel No. 83, has been satisfactory since his transfer to the position of second assistant keeper of Cape Mendocino Light Station, California, and approves the recommendation that no further action be taken in this case.

(SIGNED) E. F. SWEET

Acting Secretary.

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington,
December 4, 1917.

To Lighthouse Inspector, San Francisco, California.
for his information, guidance, and files of office.

Acting Commissioner.

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Dept rec'd Nov 22

R.R.Turkington:
leave without pay.

November 17, 1917

Commissioner of Lighthouses.

1. Inclosed is the request of Richardson R. Turkington, second assistant keeper Cape Mendocino Lightstation, California, $540 per annum, for an extension of leave without pay for a further period of one month commencing November 17, 1917.

2. It is recommended that this request be approved owing to the continued disability of Mr Turkington, whose annual and sick leave has been exhausted.

H.W. Rhode
Inspector

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Bureau of Lighthouses, Wash., D.C.,
December 3, 1917.

Submitted to Secretary of Commerce recommended for approval.

By direction of the Commissioner:

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Dept rec'd Nov 15

Richardson R. Turkington:
leave without pay.

November 9, 1917

Commissioner of Lighthouses,

1. Inclosed is a request from Richardson R. Turkington, second assistant keeper Cape Mendocino Lightstation, California, $540 per annum, for leave without pay for a period of one month commencing October 17, 1917.

2. Mr Turkington makes this request owing to ill health, all annual and sick leave being exhausted, It is recommended that the request be granted.

H.W. Rhodes.

Inspector

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Bureau of Lighthouses,
November 19, 1917.

Submitted to Secretary of Commerce recommended for approval.
By direction of the Commissioner.

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Richardson R. Turkington

November 4th 1917

Commissioner of Lighthouses,

1. In compliance with Bureau request of May 14, 1917 on letter from this office of May 4, 1917, relative to the conduct of Richardson R. Turkington, formerly Engineer of Blunts Reef Light Vessel No 83, now second assistant keeper at Cape Mendocino Lightstation, California.

2. The Bureau is informed that Mr Turkington's conduct has been satisfactory since his assignment to duty at Cape Mendocino, and recommendation is made that no further action be taken in his case.

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Inspector

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Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington
November 19, 1917.

Submitted to Secretary of Commerce for his information and recommended for approval.

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OFFICE OF INSPECTOR, 18TH DISTRICT
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SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.

June 25, 1917.

Commissioner of Lighthouses:

1. Referring to the Bureau's endorsement of June 16th, on letter from this office of June 6th, and to the Bureau's letter of May 28th, relative to the oaths of office of R.R. Turkington, H.E. Wallis and J.V. Watson.

2. The oaths of office of these three employees are returned herewith. In the case of R.R. Turkington, his oath now shows that he entered on duty on May 1st, 1917.

3. The necessary changes in rates of pay have been made on the oath of office of Herbert E. Wallis.

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June 6, 1917.

Insp's records seem confused, WB June 16

Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Referring to Bureau letter of May 28, returning oaths of office of R. R. Turkington, H. E. Wallis and J. V. Watson.

The Bureau is informed that Mr. Turkington did not enter on duty as Second Assistant Engineer of Cape Mendocino Light Station until May 8, and that, therefore, no correction in the oaths is necessary.

RHODES

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Bureau of Lighthouses. June 16, 1917.

Returned to 18th Inspector with the information that the records indicate th that Richardson R. Turkington was on April 16, 1917, appointed second assistant keeper, for assignment to duty at Cape Mendocino Light station, Cal., that on April 21, 1917, Herbert E. Wallis was appointed engineer in the Lighthouse Service at $1260 per annum in the place of Richardson R. Turkington, for assignment to duty on Blunts Reef Light Vessel No. 83, Cal.; and that on April 21, 1917, Joseph V. Watson was appointed engineer in the Lighthouse service at $1200 per annum, in the place of Herbert E. Wallis. The oaths of office state that Turkington entered on duty May 8, 1917, and that Wallis and Watson entered on duty May 1st. If, as you state, Turkington did not enter on duty as Second assistant keeper until May 8, 1917, it is not clear to this office how Wallis could have entered on duty as engineer in the place of Turkington on May 1st. In the oath of office of Wallis, the rate of pay opposite "Present" should be stated as $1260 (base Pay), not $1308 per annum, and opposite "former" as $1200 (base pay) and not $1248.

Your further report and recommendation in these cases are desired.

Acting Commissioner

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May 28, 1917.

SUBJECT: Oaths of Office in the cases of Richardson R. Turkington, Herbert E. Wallis, and Joseph V. Watson.

Returned to Lighthouse Inspector, San Francisco, California, inviting attention to the fact that the date of entrance on duty of Turkington is stated as May 8, 1917, whereas the dates of entrance on duty of Wallis and Watson are stated as May 1, 1917. It is requested that you make the necessary correction in the oaths and return same to this office.

Acting Commissioner

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OFFICE OF INSPECTOR, 18TH DISTRICT
HB CUSTOMHOUSE
SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.

Concur with ECG & HBB HB
Rec'd in view of Turkington's transfer & demotion that Bu take no action at this time, but request Insp'r to advise Bu after 6 mos as to his conduct.

May 4, 1917.

Rec'd OK HWR May 11

Richard R. Turkington.

Commissioner of Lighthouses.

On March 9, Richard R. Turkington, Engineer of Blunts Reef Light Vessel No. 83, submitted a requisition for a new valve stem for a bottom Blow-off valve on his vessel. His request was accompanied by a sketch which could not be clearly interpreted by the Asst. Superintendent and the Mechanician. The Asst. Superintendent, therefore, addressed a letter of inquiry to Mr. Turkington on March 18, requesting further information.

On April 7, the General Inspector, while aboard Blunts Reef Light Vessel discovered that the Engineer, under date of March 26, had entered in his log book a statement to the effect that he had received back his sketch from the office with "Tom-fool queries in regard to thread and dimensions".

Mr. Turkington was relieved of his duty as Engineer of Blunts Reef Light Vessel No. 83 on April 30, and has been directed to proceed to the Cape Mendocino Light Station to report for duty as second assistant keeper at that station.

Since Mr. Turkington's entry in his log book was extremely disrespectful to proper authority, it is recommended that the Bureau address a severe letter of reprimand to him.

RHODES

H B Bureau of Lighthouses May 14, 1917.

Returned with statement that in view of Mr. Turkington's recent transfer and reduction the Bureau does not deem it advisable to take any further action at this time. Submit further report regarding his conduct, with recommendation, the expiration of six months from date.

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THIS COPY MAY BE USED FOR REPLY

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Washington D C April 16 1917

Lighthouse Inspector San Francisco California

Turkington ~~xxxx~~ appointed second assistant Cape Mendocino effective as recommended your nomination April seventh

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Approved at Dept.

Sent Dept. 3:50 P.M.

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NOMINATION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, 18th DISTRICT.

San Francisco, Cal., April 7, 1917, 191
(City.) (Date.)

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THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Wired 4-16-17

Action recommended, Transfer & demotion of

Name, **Richardson R. Turkington** Legal residence, **California**

Position, **Second Assistant Keeper** Salary, **$540 per annum**

Location, **Cape Mendocino Lightstation, Cal.** Appropriation **Salaries of Keepers of Lighthouses**

Effective **April 20, 1917** {~~the actual date of entrance on duty~~, or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty.

Former position, Engineer Former salary, **$1260 per annum**

Location, **Blunts Reef Light Vessel No 83. California.**

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

Previous incumbent, Perry S. Hunter Services terminated, **August 10, 1916**

Reason, **Resignation**

Members of family in Government Service, None

Remarks: This transfer, involving a reduction in Mr Turkington's compensation, is made in accordance with his inclosed request.
Request notification by wire when appointment is made.

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

H. W. Rhodes.

Secretary, Civil Service District. **Inspector**

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON APR 14 1917

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

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Acting Commissioner.

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

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Form 69

EFFICIENCY REPORT

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHT HOUSES MAR 27 1917

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, 18th DISTRICT,

February 28th, 1917

In case of R R Tuckerton Title Engineer L.V. 83

serving in 18 District, during the period from March 1st, 1916, to Febry 28th, 1917

1. Aptitude for the Service: Poor
2. Technical knowledge: Poor
3. Attention to duty: Poor
4. Efficiency in the performance of duty—
   - *a.* Handling men: Poor
   - *b.* Executive ability: Poor
   - *c.* Promptness and rapidity: Poor
   - *d.* Punctuality: Fair
   - *e.* Handling vessel: Poor
   - *f.* Navigation, including piloting:
   - *g.* In engine-room and fireroom: Assistant Engineer has stated in Master's presence that the Engineer performs no Work in Engine Room.
5. General conduct: Good
6. General bearing and appearance: Fair
7. Correctness and neatness of uniform: Fair
8. General health: Good
9. Physical capacity to perform duty: Poor. Ruptured, previously to joining Service unable to perform duty
10. Has he shown aptitude for duty of special character; and if so, for what duty? None
11. Has this employee's efficiency or reputation been impaired by the use of stimulants or drugs? No
12. Is he negligent as to financial obligations? No Knowledge
13. Has any reprimand or punishment been inflicted upon this employee during the period of this report? Reprimanded by letter, And on each Visit of the Inspector to the L.V. also, in Quarterly reports March 1916. & Novemb 1916

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January 31, 1917.

Commissioner of Lighthouses:

For the reasons stated in the Eighteenth Inspector's letter of the 9th instant, forwarded by the Bureau on the 26th instant, the Department approves the recommendation that no action be taken at this time in connection with the efficiency rating of Richardson R. Turkington, engineer on light vessel No. 83.

Assistant Secretary.

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington
FEB 1 - 1917

To Lighthouse Inspector, San Francisco Cal
for his information, guidance, and files of office.

Acting Commissioner.

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Form 106

EFFICIENCY RATINGS

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Department of Commerce and Labor

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

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EFFICIENCY RATINGS of employees holding appointment certificates under direction of the Inspector *of the* 18th *Lighthouse District for the period ending* {December 31, / ~~June 30,~~} 19 16, *whose efficiency is BELOW 8-10 for quantity of work, good for quality of work, and good for interest manifested in work.*

(*a*) Indicate amount in tenths, on the basis that $\frac{1}{10}$ equals the amount of the class of work under consideration which can be performed by a thoroughly efficient employee.
(*b*) For quality and interest manifested in work use terms: Excellent, Good, Average, Fair, Poor. Abbreviate terms.
A recommendation, in duplicate, on a separate sheet of paper, should be made in each case noted on this report.
If a District Officer has no employees below the required standard, this form should be submitted with a statement thereon to that effect.

NAME OF EMPLOYEE (Surname last)	WHERE EMPLOYED (Abbreviate, if necessary)	EFFICIENCY			
		QUANTITY (*a*)	QUALITY (*b*)	INTEREST MANIFESTED IN WORK (*b*)	IS EMPLOYEE FULLY EARNING SALARY
R. R. Turkington	Engineer, Blunts Reef Light Vessel No 83	7/10	Fair	Fair	No
M. J. Burke	Asst.Engineer, Blunts Reef Light Vessel No 83	9/10	Fair	Good	No
Henry Smith	Keeper, Humboldt Bay Lights	8/10	Fair	Good	

JANY 26, to Dept re all cases above noted.

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OFFICE OF INSPECTOR, 18TH DISTRICT
CUSTOMHOUSE
SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.

Efficiency rating,
R.R.Turkington.

To Dept Jan 26, '17

Commissioner of Lighthouses:

January 9, 1917.

1. Referring to Form 106 from this district for the period ending December 31, 1916, in which R. R. Turkington, Engineer of Blunts Reef Light Vessel No. 83, is reported below the standard of efficiency.

2. In connection with the efficiency of this employee, the Bureau's attention is invited to letter from this office dated January 11, 1916, transmitting Form 106, for the period ending December 31st, 1915 and to Bureau indorsement of May 8, 1916, on letter from this office dated April 25, relative to Mr. Turkington and also Mr. Burke, the Assistant Engineer of the vessel.

3. The efficiency of Mr. Burke is reported in a separate letter of this date.

4. The conditions remain the same as previously reported. The Engineer's services are unsatisfactory, on account of his advanced age and physical infirmities. Mr. Turkington does not desire to accept appointment on shore, as a lighthouse keeper, nor is he qualified physically to perform such duties. The license held by Joseph V. Watson, Assistant Engineer of San Francisco Light Vessel No. 70 does not entitle him to appointment as Engineer of Light Vessel No. 83, and, therefore, no exchange can be made among the engineer officers of light vessels in this district which would improve present conditions.

Counsel for Exchange May 1917

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Inspr. T. is 72 yrs. old. Retiremt may strike him in few yrs. HB Jany 22

Rec'd Dept, no furth action this time; Why call up May 1, as per Ecly? TSC 1/22

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5. Consideration will be given whenever possible to recommending a transfer of one or both of the engineer officers on this vessel to other positions in order that an efficient engineer and assistant engineer may be secured for this vessel.

6. It is recommended that no action be taken in the matter at this time.

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HB-NDW Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington, January 26, 1917.

Submitted to Secretary of Commerce with recommendation for approval. The rating given this employee on Form 106 is 7/10 for quantity of work, fair for quality, fair for interest manifested, and it is stated that this employee is not fully earning his salary.

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August 25, 1916.

Commissioner of Lighthouses:

The Department is in receipt of the Eighteenth Inspector's letter of the 16th instant, forwarded by the Bureau on the 23rd instant, regarding the services of Richardson R. Turkington, engineer on light vessel No. 83. It is noted that Mr. Turkington is unable to satisfactorily perform the duties of his position owing to his advanced age and physical infirmities. In view of the Inspector's statement that effort will be made to transfer Mr. Turkington to another position where the duties are less exacting, the Department approves the recommendation that no action be taken in connection with Mr. Turkington's inefficiency at this time.

[SIGNED] E. F. SWEET

Acting Secretary.

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington,
AUG 26 1916

To Lighthouse Inspector, San Francisco
for his information, guidance, and files of office.

Acting Commissioner.

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OFFICE OF INSPECTOR, 18TH DISTRICT
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SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.

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Aug. 16, 1916.

Efficiency rating,
R.R. Turkington.

Commissioner of Lighthouses:

1. Referring to Form 106, from this District, for the period ending June 30th, 1916, in which R.R. Turkington, Engineer of Blunts Reef Light Vessel No. 83, is reported below the standard of efficiency.

2. In connection with the efficiency of this employee, the Bureau's attention is invited to letter, from this office, dated January 11, 1916, transmitting Form 106, for the period ending December 31st, 1915, and to Bureau endorsement of May 8th, 1916, on letter, from this office, dated April 25th, relative to Mr. Turkington and also Mr. Burke, the assistant engineer of the vessel.

3. The efficiency of Mr. Burke is reported on in separate letter of this date.

4. The conditions remain the same as previously reported. The Engineer's services are unsatisfactory, on account of his advanced age and physical infirmities. Mr. Turkington does not desire to accept appointment on shore, as a lighthouse keeper, nor is he qualified physically to perform such duties. The license held by Joseph V. Watson, Asst.Engineer of San Francisco Light Vessel No. 70 does not entitle him to appointment as Engineer of Light Vessel No. 83, and, therefore, no exchange can be made among the engineer officers of light vessels in this district which would improve present conditions.

5. Consideration will be given whenever possible to recommending a transfer of one or both of the engineer officers on this vessel to other positions, in order that an efficient engineer and assistant engineer may be secured for this vessel.

6. It is recommended that no action be taken in the matter at this time.

RHODES

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington.
AUG 3 2 1915

Submitted to Secretary of Commerce recommended for approval.

Commissioner.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
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R. R. Turkington,
Chief Engineer,
L. V. No. 83.

April 25, 1916.

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Commissioner of Lighthouses.

1. Reference Bureau follow-up letter of April 6th, relative to its indorsement of February 21, returning letter from this office dated Feb. 5, 1916, recommending the demotion of Mr. Turkington to the position of assistant engineer on Blunts Reef Light Vessel No. 83.

2. In regard to the Bureau's suggestion in the last peregraph of its indorsement of February 21st, it may be stated that neither of the engineers on the two other light vessels in this service desire to exchange positions with Mr. Turkington, and it is not considered desirable to transfer them against their wishes.

3. The Bureau's suggestion that Mr. Burke might be offered a position as lighthouse keeper has been considered, but as yet no vacancy has occurred which he would be qualified to fill and at the same time willing to accept.

4. The Inspector will keep this matter in mind with a view to effecting a change when practicable which will result in assigning an efficient engineer to Light Vessel No. 83.

5. It is recommended that no further action be taken in this matter at the present time.

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Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington
MAY 8 - 1916

Returned approved, as recommended.

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Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington

San Francisco, Cal., APR 6 1916

Lighthouse Inspector.....

No reply has been received from you in reference to Bureau indorsement of February 21, 1916, relative to engineer R. R. Turkington. In this connection see efficiency report in the case of Turkington submitted by you on February 29, 1916,(Form 69).

Acting Commissioner.

Form 69

EFFICIENCY REPORT

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, 16½ DISTRICT.

February 29th, 191 6

See Card up of April 6, 1916

LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR FEB 28 1916 SAN FRANCISCO CAL.

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In case of Richard R. Lukington Title Engineer in Charge Light Vessels

serving in 16th District, during the period from March 1st, 1915, to July 29th, 1916

1. Aptitude for the Service: Fair
2. Technical knowledge: Has crimd None
3. Attention to duty: Indifferent
4. Efficiency in the performance of duty—
   a. Handling men: Poor
   b. Executive ability: Poor
   c. Promptness and rapidity: Poor
   d. Punctuality: Fair
   e. Handling vessel: Poor
   f. Navigation, including piloting:
   g. In engine-room and fireroom: Fair
5. General conduct: Good
6. General bearing and appearance: Good
7. Correctness and neatness of uniform: Good
8. General health: Good
9. Physical capacity to perform duty: He is very badly crippled, occured Years ago.
10. Has he shown aptitude for duty of special character; and if so, for what duty? None
11. Has this employee's efficiency or reputation been impaired by the use of stimulants or drugs? No
12. Is he negligent as to financial obligations? Not Known
13. Has any reprimand or punishment been inflicted upon this employee during the period of this report? Reprimanded by the Light House Inspector on several occasions for neglect of duty in his department & reported to the Bureau

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14. Do you consider him competent and otherwise properly fitted to be entrusted with more responsible duties? No

15. Record of license: Chief Engineer unlimited on any ocean
Last issue September 30th 1912

Henry C Pierce
Lighthouse Service, Commanding.

16. General remarks by the Inspector when this report is prepared by him, or when it is reviewed and forwarded by him after it has been filled out by the master of a tender.

Master's report approved.

H. W. Rhodes

The COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES,
Washington, D. C.

INSTRUCTIONS.

This efficiency report is to be made in each district in the case of superintendents, assistant superintendents, aids, the two senior clerks, the appointed officers of tenders and of light vessels. One copy shall be prepared and sent to the Bureau by the 1st day of March of each year, and just prior to the detachment of any Inspector, for each person to whom this report applies.

The efficiency report of the other officers of tenders and of light vessels shall be prepared by the commanding officer of such vessels and be reviewed and forwarded by the Inspector.

The first nine subjects may be answered by the words Excellent, Good, Fair, Indifferent, or Poor, to be supplemented with appropriate explanation. Answer all questions that are applicable to the employee reported upon.

These reports must be carefully prepared, so as to furnish the Bureau with an accurate and entirely impartial report, showing the relative merits of employees.

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Set inclosures

February 21, 1916.

Subject: R. R. Turkington, engr., & M.J.Burke, asst.engr., L.V. 83, charges, Inspr's let Feb.5,1916, & accompanying papers.

Returned to Lighthouse Inspector, San Francisco, Cal.

It would appear from the correspondence that Mr. Turkington, through infirmities, due to old age, is no longer able to continue the responsibilities as engineer of light vessel No.83, and that there is considerable neglect in connection with the general upkeep and operation of the engineer department of light vessel No. 83.

In regard to the Inspector's recommendation to reduce Mr.Turkington to the position of assistant engineer of light vessel No. 83, and to discontinue the services of M. J. Burke, the present assistant engineer, without prejudice, the Inspector is advised that the reduction of Mr. Turkington may be made upon a recommendation from the Inspector therefor, based on his incapacity to properly perform the duties of his office, but that to separate Mr. Burke it will be necessary to prefer charges in accordance with the procedure laid down in the Regulations, 1914, par. 397.

It would appear from an examination of the records that the lack of efficiency on the part of Burke is attributable to his physical condition and not due to any lack of zealousness, and it would appear to the Bureau that any remedial action to ameliorate conditions aboard light vessel No. 83 which would force the separation of Burke from the Service would be rather severe, and the Bureau suggests for your further consideration and recommendation the question of interchanging the officers on the light vessels in your district in such manner as to place Turkington and Burke as assistant engineers under younger and more active engineer officers, if such a plan can be arranged without detriment to the general efficiency of the engineer department of the light vessels of your district. If such a plan is not deemed practicable, it is suggested that you might consider offering Burke a position as lighthouse keeper, or some other position which he may be properly qualified to fill.

Your further views in this matter are requested.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

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Please look up Burke's

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Burke in service since Mar. 27, 1907.
55 years old.
Not in good health
Not well qualified
for his position.
See clipped papers

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OFFICE OF INSPECTOR, 18TH DISTRICT
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SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.

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Demotion, Richardson
R. Turkington.

February 5, 1916.

Commissioner of Lighthouses:

1. There is forwarded herewith copies of correspondence pertaining to charges of inefficiency on the part of Richardson R. Turkington, Engineer of Blunt's Reef Light Vessel No. 83, viz:

Sept. 25, 1915,	from Lighthouse Inspector to R. R. Turkington, Engineer Light Vessel No. 83.
Undated	from R. R. Turkington to Inspector.
Nov. 13, 1915,	from Crisp, Asst., Supt., to Lighthouse Inspector.
Nov. 16, 1915,	from Lighthouse Inspector to Master of Light Vessel No. 83.
Nov. 21, 1915,	from Master Light Vessel No. 83 to Lighthouse Inspector.
Dec. 1, 1915,	from Lighthouse Inspector to R.R.Turkington, Engineer Lightvessel No. 83.
Dec. 7, 1915,	from R.R.Turkington to Lighthouse Inspector.
Jan. 11, 1916,	from Lighthouse Inspector to Master Light Vessel No. 83.
Jan. 11, 1916,	from Lighthouse Inspector to M. J. Burke, Assistant Engineer Light Vessel No. 83.
Jan. 11, 1916,	from Lighthouse Inspector to R. R. Turkington.
Jan. 20, 1916,	from Master Light Vessel No. 83 to Lighthouse Inspector.
Jan. 25, 1916,	from M.J.Burke to Lighthouse Inspector.
Feb. 2, 1916,	from R.R.Turkington to Lighthouse Inspector.

2. From the information contained in this correspondence and from general observation of Mr. Turkington's services during the past year, it is the opinion of the Inspector that Mr. Turkington should be relieved of the responsible duties of Engineer of Light Vessel No. 83.

3. In years past Mr. Turkington has been an efficient engineer, but now, on account of his age of 71 years and infirmities, and the fact that his faculties do not respond readily, he has reached the stage where he should be relieved of the chief responsibilities attached to a vessel of the type and importance as an aid to navigation of Light Vessel No. 83.

4. While the Inspector is of the opinion that Mr. Turkington is not competent to render efficient services as engineer of Light Vessel No. 83, he is also of the opinion that Mr. Turkington is still competent to render satisfactory services as an Assistant Engineer of a light vessel in this district.

5. It is therefore recommended that Mr. Turkington be demoted to the position of Assistant Engineer of Light Vessel 83, and that the services of Michael J. Burke, present Assistant Engineer of Light Vessel No. 83, be discontinued without prejudice. Section 2 of Civil Service Rule 1, relative to political or religious opinions or applications will not be violated by the action recommended.

6. Of the two employees, the Inspector considers that Mr. Turkington is the more efficient and that it will be for the best interests of the service to retain him in the capacity of assistant engineer and to dispense with the services of Mr. Burke.

7. In case of approval of the above recommendations, necessary Forms 73 will be submitted, the effective dates to be fixed at such a time in the future as will allow Mr. Burke a reasonable opportunity for obtaining other employment and the Lighthouse Service time to appoint an engineer.

8. Should Mr. Turkington refuse to accept the demotion and resign from the Service, it will be necessary to retain Mr. Burke in the position of Assistant Engineer of Light Vessel No. 83.

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January 20, 1916.

Commissioner of Lighthouses:

The Department acknowledges receipt of the Eighteenth Inspector's letter of the 11th instant, forwarded by the Bureau on the 17th instant, relative to the unsatisfactory efficiency rating of Richardson R. Turkington, engineer on light vessel No. 83, and approves the recommendation to the effect that no action be taken at this time, pending the receipt of a further report and recommendation in connection with an investigation which the Inspector states is being made as a result of certain reports recently brought to the attention of the Inspector's office relative to Mr. Turkington's efficiency.

(SIGNED) A. L. THURMAN

Acting Secretary.

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington.
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To Lighthouse Inspector, San Francisco, Cal.
for his information, guidance, and files of office.

Acting Commissioner

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SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.

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OFFICE OF INSPECTOR, 18TH DISTRICT
CUSTOMHOUSE
SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.

Efficiency Ratings.

January 11, 1916.

Commissioner of Lighthouses.

1. Referring to Form 106 recently submitted for this district, reporting efficiency ratings for the period ending December 31st, 1915.

2. The Bureau is informed that Mr. R. R. Turkington, Engineer of Blunts Reef Light Vessel No. 83, has been given an efficiency rating below the standard as he is incapcitated by reason of age and physical infirmities for properly performing his duties as engineer of the light vessel. Mr. Turkington is 71 years of age, and while he has been an efficient engineer, he is unable for the reasons stated above to properly discharge his duties at this time.

3. Certain reports recently brought to the attention of this office, relative to Mr. Turkington's efficiency are at present being investigated, and a further report and recommendation in his case will be submitted to the Bureau as soon as practicable.

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Bureau of Lighthouses,
January 17, 1916.

Submitted to Secretary of Commerce with the information that the Inspector in his efficiency report as of December 31, 1915, gives Turkington 7/10 for quantity, fair for quality, fair for interest manifestedin work, and states that this employee is not fully earning his salary. It is recommended, in view of the fact that the rating received by him, is due to infirmities of old age, that no further action be taken at the present time. A further report and recommendation will, however, be made to the Department, as soon as report referred to in last paragraph of the Inspector's letter is received.

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OFFICE OF INSPECTOR, 18TH DISTRICT
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September 25th, 1915.

Mr. R. R. Turkington,
Engineer, Light Vessel No. 83.

(Through the Master).

The following notes relative to the condition of the engineer department on Light Vessel No. 83 have been submitted to the Inspector:

> "In connection with the general upkeep of this department, there is considerable neglect. The two evaporator filter tanks on the main deck are very dirty and the insides covered with scales. The filter tank in the engine-room is also very dirty -- the zinc plates were found lying on the bottom. It is full of dirt and grease. Several gland nuts on bottom blow-off valves on the boiler are nearly corroded away. Lubricating hole through submarine engine crankshaft plugged with dirt. Coal bunkers, especially under scuttle hatches thick with scale. Fresh water tanks in forward hold have several stays pulled loose from over pressure. The plant as a whole is very dirty. There was salt showing at all gauges and valves on boiler when the vessel came in from her station."

In addition to the above report, you are advised that the condition and operation of your department has been unsatisfactory for the past two years, and that you have neglected to overhaul the auxiliaries and perform other necessary work in your department while on station in accordance with the verbal instructions given you from time to time.

In view of the facts as above stated, you are charged with inefficiency and neglect of duty, and you are requested to submit immediately in writing such reply as you desire to make to these charges.

RHODES

(Place and date not shown)

Lighthouse Inspector,
18th District,
San Francisco.

Sir:-

In reply to yours of September 25th, received about noon on the 28th, I respectfully submit the following:

The Two Evap. tanks on main deck

On Friday, March 19th, the Deck Dept. Cement-washed the starboard outboard cook's and tank with the cement remaining, I had the two receiving tanks on main deck (after being thoroughly scaled and cleaned) cemented, and it was a first-class job, which can be verified by both Capt. Pierotti and Mr. Fisher, who were present and commented on same when finished.

All compartments were thoroughly cleaned. The charcoal and sponges for filtering were also renewed.

Tanks were scaled with compressed air tools and cemented at Mare Island, at last over-haul. Also on above date, according to record in the log. It is impossible for the tanks to be in the condition reported, as can be seen by present examination of same. As nothing has been done to either of the above tanks since our arrival in port, I respectfully solicit an unbiased examination of same.

Filter tank in the Engine room

The dirty condition of this tank is owing principally to the sediment from the Bird Archer Compound, and is in no way injurious to tanks. The zincs in same being out of place do not necessarily indicate neglect. The same condition with zincs in main boilers often happens. Frequently in the main boilers zincs have curled up and dropped off the bracket partially or entirely.

Dirt and Grease in Filter Tank

In regard to above I wish to state that I was not present when it was cleaned out but I can not conceive how it could be as reported when the firemen bathe and wash their clothes in water from it continually when on the station. Had there been any grease in the water I certainly would have a complaint from the firemen. Moreover, I have frequently tested the water myself in order to detect salt water leaks into the tank. There has been no extra amount of grease used this year, as store list will prove.

Gland Nuts are corroded and are to be renewed and were anticipated for this over-haul.

Lubricating hole in Crank Shaft

Had no indication of hole being plugged up when on station, and has given no trouble whatever.

Coal bunkers

This job is one of the necessary repairs omitted last year.

Water Tanks

The stays in these tanks were never loosened by over-pressure, as they have never been filled with more than gravity pressure from upper deck. The plant on top of boilers, etc., was cleaned before we came into port, but in hauling the fires, some ash dust settled on top of boilers, but the vital parts below were and are clean, as Mr. Wylie, who came down with us, can testify. He also mentioned the fact that she was much cleaner than other vessels.

Salt on Gauge, etc.

The salt was owing to using salt water in the boiler, as the water when too fresh causes corrosion. It was less than 1/32 and a very slight leak will form a salt deposit. The amount has been magnified. Salt water is frequently used in boilers.

Will you kindly advise me in what particular "the condition and operation of my department has been unsatisfactory the past two years," and to whom, in order that the errors or mistakes may be corrected?

To my knowledge I have not neglected or omitted to carry out any "verbal instructions given me from time to time, or perform any necessary work in my department while on station."

However, it should not be required of me to do all the mechanical and clerical work of the Engineer's Dept. My assistant, Mr. Burke, cannot write the log or keep account of stores, and will not carry out my orders, when I am not aboard. He does not report his work done during my shore leave. Furthermore, he has been sick so much, he cannot attend to his duties, therefore, I do not feel justified in requiring so much of him.

When the charges of lack of duty and inefficiency are judged impartially they will be found without any foundation or truth.

In conclusion: In justice to the ship it should be remembered that she has been on her station ten months, and should not be expected to be in the same condition as when she is repaired.

Respectfully submitted,

(sgd) R.R. Turkington,

Engineer.

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OFFICE OF INSPECTOR, 18TH DISTRICT
CUSTOMHOUSE
SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.

L.V. No.83
Departure.

Nov. 13th, 1915.

Lighthouse Inspector,

San Francisco, Cal.

1. There were sixty seven tons of coal put in the bunkers at this time, with the coal remaining over from previous coalings, the sixty seven tons filled them up. There were thirty five tons stowed in on the main deck. With all water tanks full except the fore peak (this was empty) the draft was Fwd. 14' 3", Aft. 13' 6". In accordance with your telephone orders, I had the fore peak half filled with water (3525 gallons) which made the draft change to, Fwd. 14' 10", Aft. 13'.

2. The vessel sailed at 3 P.M. and got away without mishap, although there was considerable confusion in the answering of signals given from the pilothouse to the engine room. All lines were cast off except the starboard quarter line, this was lead well up the dock; it was the Master's intentions to back on this line and spring the vessels bow to port or out from the dock. The Master gave two bells to back, I was standing on the wharf about abreast of the after lantern house and distinctly heard the two bells, the engine was promptly started, but in the head motion, as soon as the vessel gathered way and was immediately noticed by the Master, he gave one bell and the engine was stopped. The Chief Officer with sailors were on the starboard quarter deck attending the line, they hauled in all slack and made fast; then the Maste gave two bells to back the second time and again the engine was worked ahead and when this was discovered by the Master he immediately gave one bell and ordered the line cast off. The helm had been to starboard during the above time and this worked the vessels bow clear of the dock and the two boats ahead. The master then went on top of the pilot house, gave one bell and ordered the helm to port, this straightened the vessel on her course straight out of the slip, I could hear all signals as given to the engine room, also most all verbal orders from the Master to the Quartermaster at the wheel and believe that the Master's prompt and proper action in the above case averted a serious accident with either the two boats ahead or the steamer "GEO.W. ELDER" on the port side of the slip.

(sgd) CRISP

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OFFICE OF INSPECTOR, 18TH DISTRICT
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SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.

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November 16, 1916.

Master, Light Vessel No. 83.

You are requested to inform this office if any of the signals which you gave to the engine room upon leaving your berth at pier No. 15 on November 13th were improperly answered, and if so to submit a full report in regard to the matter, together with a statement of the officer in charge of the engines at the time.

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OFFICE OF INSPECTOR, 18TH DISTRICT
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SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.

Blunts Reef Lightvessel No. 83
November 21st, 1915.

Lighthouse Inspector,
San Francisco, California.
Sir:-

In answer to your letter of the 16th inst., respecting signals to the Engine Room being improperly answered. I submit the following:

On arrival on board from the office, I requested of Mr. Crisp, to attend to the stern spring, as I intended to go astern with the engines to clear the tow boat ahead. The Engineer reported everything ready below.

I sent Mr. Nilson and Seaman Kilkeary aft to attend the stern spring. In the wheel house was Seaman Nerup. I rung the gong two strokes, which was distinctly heard in the Pilot House and by Kilkeary aft.

Simultaneously, Nerup and the Master exclaimed "She is going ahead". I stopped the engines with one gong, at the same time ordering the helm to starboard. I noticed Mr. Nilson and Kilkeary hauling in the slack of the stern spring. I then rang two bells on the gong to go astern, which was distincly heard in the Pilot House and aft. Nerup and the Master again noticed the signals improperly answered from the Engine Room, and I again rung and stroke on the gong to stop. The helm being to starboard sheared the vessel clear of the towboat.

I saw Mr. Crisp in the act of coming along the wharf, but stopped when he heard the stroke of one gong to stop the engines.

After proceeding out clear of the ship and shipping, I mentioned the case to Engineer Turkington, telling him how near a collision occurred. He replied, he answered the bells as he heard them.

I request you interrogate Mr. Crisp and Mr. Nilson in regard to the bells. Seaman Nerup and Kilkeary have concurred in my statement.

I have read your letter to Mr. Turkington and the two seamen, and requested Engineer Turkington to state the case in a letter.

Respectfully,

(sgd) HENRY C. PIEROTTI,

Master.

SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.

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December 1, 1915.

Engineer, Blunts Reef Light Vessel No. 83.
(Through the Master)

It has been reported to this office that when Light Vessel No. 83 was leaving its berth at Pier 15, November 13th, when the slow astern signal was given by the Master, from the bridge, the engines were operated slow ahead; that the Master then stopped the engines by giving one bell, and then upon again giving the slow astern signal, the engines, for the second time, were put in ahead motion.

You are directed to submit a full report relative to this matter and state why the engines were operated contrary to the signals given you.

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Lightvessel Blunts No. 83
Dec. 7th, 1915.

To Lighthouse Inspector,
18th District.
S i r:-

In reply to yours of Dec. 1st, 1915, I have the following to report.

When leaving Pier 15, the engine had been standing still long enough to accumulate water in cylinders and pipes. On receiving the signal to go astern I realized there was water in bottom of cylinders. I swung the engine backward and forward a few times easy over the bottom centers, each time increasing the travel of the pistons until the snapping of the compressed water ceased.

At the final swing when the engine was free she passed the two top centers, going ahead about one revolution, perhaps two, when I immediately went astern.

The second time, the same condition prevailed and I had to operate the engine the same way or carry away some parts with excessive water hammer.

I have been working engines (docking &c) on all classes of boats, ocean going, tow-boats, stern-wheel, steam-schooner, &c., low pressure, beam engines, compound and triple expansion, since 1868, and this is the first time I have been called down for a mistake in answering the bell signals.

Respectfully submitted,

(sgd) R.R. TURKINGTON,

Engineer.

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OFFICE OF INSPECTOR, 18TH DISTRICT
CUSTOMHOUSE
SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.

COPY

January 11th, 1916.

Master, Blunts Reef Light Vessel No. 83:

Referring to your letter of November 21st last, relative to the bells given to the engineer by you when leaving Pier No. 15 in this city on November 13th.

You are informed that the engineer has replied that on leaving Pier 15 on that date "the engine had been standing still long enough to accumulate water in cylinders and pipes."

You are requested to report in writing whether the engineer had had previous notice to warm up his engines and whether he had reported them ready before you gave the necessary signals for leaving the dock.

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CUSTOMHOUSE
SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.

COPY

January 11, 1916.

Mr. M. J. Burke,
Asst. Engineer, Blunts Reef L. V. No. 83.
(Through the Master)

It has been reported to the Inspector that when Light Vessel No. 83 left her berth at Pier 15 on November 13th last, the Engineer answered two bells from the bridge by putting the engines into the forward motion, and that for that reason a serious accident to the vessel was narrowly averted.

As it is known that you were in the engine room at the time referred to, you are directed to report, in writing, if to your knowledge the engines were operated in an ahead motion in answer to the two bells, and if so, if they were kept in the ahead motion until the master gave one bell as a signal to stop them.

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SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.

COPY

January 11, 1916.

Mr. R. R. Turkington,
Engineer, Light Vessel No. 83.
(Through the Master)

Referring to your letter without date of about September 29th, 1915, in reply to my letter of September 25th, charging you with inefficiency and neglect of duty in connection with the general upkeep of your department on the light vessel.

This matter was investigated immediately following the letters referred to by a personal inspection of your department and while enough repair work and general overhauling had been done to remove considerable evidence of the neglect referred to, it was still apparent that your department had not been maintained in a thoroughly efficient condition and that repairs and overhauling work which should be within the capabilities of your department had not been made.

Referring to that paragraph in your letter relative to "salt on gauge, etc." in which you state that salt water is frequently used in boilers and that the water if too fresh will cause corrosion, your attention is invited to the 6th paragraph on page 205 of Instructions to Officers of Vessels of the U. S. Lighthouse Service, 1911, (copy of which has been furnished you), and also the second paragraph on page 88 of Instructions to Employees of the U. S. Lighthouse Service, 1915,(a copy of which has also been furnished you). In this connection you are informed that in future you are to follow out explicitly in the care of your department the instructions contained in Part VII, pages 81 to 92 inclusive of the publication last referred to. Your personal opinion as to the effect of salt water in the boilers or of the desirability of conducting your department contrary to these instructions cannot be tolerated.

RHODES

Jany 19, 1916.

Copy for information of Master: original mailed to Mr. Turkington in Berkeley on January 19, 1915.

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OFFICE OF INSPECTOR, 18TH DISTRICT
CUSTOMHOUSE
SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.

Blunts Reef Lightvessel No.83
January 20th, 1916.

Lighthouse Inspector,
San Francisco, California.

Sir:-

In reply to your letter of January 11th, "respecting previous notice to Engineer to warm up his engines, and whether he had reported them ready" before the necessary signals were given. I submit the following which can be vouched for by Mr. Crisp, who was on Pier 15 abreast of the Engine Room skylight at the time.

On leaving the Inspector's office, I requested Mr. Thompson to 'phone to Pier 15, and tell Engineer Turkington to have the engines ready. I was not more than 15 minutes, probably less, between the message and my arrival at the Pier.

On arriving, I asked if everything was ready, Mr. Crisp replying "Yes, the engines are ready and been turned over." Engineer Turkington replied "No, I want to turn them over again. I proceeded to the telephone, sent a private message. Walked around the decks and satisfied myself that everything was ready. Eight minutes elapsed when I went to the Engine Room skylight and asked "everything ready". Engineer Turkington distinctly replied "all ready".

After the Vessel was clear of the slip, I mentioned to the Engineer the way he had answered the bells. He replied "I moved the engines the way the bells were run". No mention was made by Engineer Turkington to my question, about not having sufficient notice to clear his cylinders and pipes of water. When he forwarded the letter to you, through the Master, I told him that the facts were not true, and contrary to all the witnesses. He has used that excuse as a subterfuge, knowing that he is wrong in his statements. I have never omitted, once, to notify and give an Engineer time to prepare and warm up the engines. Also before arriving at a pier, or on anchorage, I notify the Engine Room about the time we shall arrive, so that he may be prepared.

His excuse will not stand investigating.

Seaman Nerup, who resigned on January 18th, will corroborate my statement regarding the movement of the engines. Also I was in the wheel house talking to Nerup, pending the engines being ready. As he will acknowledge, the vessel moved instantaneously and the engines stopped instantaneously, so no water could be in the pipes or engines.

Respectfully,

(sgd) HENRY C. PIEROTTI,

Master.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHT HOUSES FEB 10 1916

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR, 18TH DISTRICT
CUSTOMHOUSE
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Blunts Reef Lightvessel No. 83
January 25th, 1916.

To the Lighthouse Inspector,
of the Eighteenth District,
San Francisco, Cal.

Answering your letter of the 18th inst., On November 13th last, when the ship left her berth at Pier 15, the Engineer answered two bells from the bridge by putting the engines into the forward motion. They were kept in the ahead motion until the Master gave one bell as a signal to stop them. I was in the Engine Room at the time referred to, but had to go and get oil for the engines, and that is all that I know about it, sir.

Yours respectfully,

(sgd) M.J. BURKE

Asst. Engineer.

LIGHT
FEB 10 1916
HOUSES

COPY

Berkeley, Cal. Feb. 2d, 1916.

To Lighthouse Inspector 18th District.

Sir:

In answer to yours of Jan. 11th, I wish to state that my department has been kept in as good order as possible with the assistance furnished this vessel, (Assistant Engineer included).

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They also state that if they want 6 hour watches, they can go in the Merchant Service and be paid for time over 8 hours.

At times when instructed to do work (other than firing) they have quit the job and walked away.

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On another occasion when I discharged a fireman for refusing to assist Mr. Meyers to install the Sanitary Pump, (and insolance later), he was given a job immediately on the other Light Vessel that was in port when he arrived in San Francisco.

Thanking you for directing my attention to "Instructions to Officers and Employees", I will endeavor to fulfill them to the best of my ability.

Respectfully submitted,

R. R. Turkington,

Engr. Light Vessel Blunt's No. 83.

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Form 69

EFFICIENCY REPORT

Department of Commerce and Labor

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, 18th DISTRICT,

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(Mark Anderson)

LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR MAR 8 - 1915 SAN FRANCISCO CAL.

March 4th 1915

In case of Richardson R. Tuttington Title Engineer in Charge

serving in 18th District, during the period from January, 1914, to March 28, 1915

LIGHT MAR 13 1915 HOUSE

1. Aptitude for the Service: Good to fair

2. Technical knowledge: Good

3. Attention to duty: Fair

4. Efficiency in the performance of duty—
   - *a.* Handling men: Fair to Poor
   - *b.* Executive ability: Fair
   - *c.* Promptness and rapidity: Fair
   - *d.* Punctuality: Good
   - *e.* Handling vessel:
   - *f.* Navigation, including piloting:
   - *g.* In engine-room and fireroom: Fair.

5. General conduct: Excellent

6. General bearing and appearance: Good

7. Correctness and neatness of uniform: Good

8. General health: Good

9. Physical capacity to perform duty: Fair

10. Has he shown aptitude for duty of special character; and if so, for what duty?

No.

11. Has this employee's efficiency or reputation been impaired by the use of stimulants or drugs? No

12. Is he negligent as to financial obligations? No.

13. Has any reprimand or punishment been inflicted upon this employee during the period of this report?

Has been cautioned verbally, and informed that the quantity and quality of his work was not entirely satisfactory.

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14. Do you consider him competent and otherwise properly fitted to be entrusted with more responsible duties?

No.

15. Record of license:

Issued 30th September 1912
Chief Engineer Any Ocean any grade tons
See Form 69, Mar. 1, 1913.

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.....*Lighthouse Service, Commanding.*

16. General remarks by the Inspector when this report is prepared by him, or when it is reviewed and forwarded by him after it has been filled out by the master of a tender.

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This officer's record shows that he has held important positions, and has been an efficient chief engineer, but at present, although apparently in good health his department has not been kept in a high state of efficiency. He is now 70 years of age and should be retired from active duty. The trouble experience with his department has no doubt been partly due to friction between himself and the master. At present there appears to be harmony on board this vessel.

See Regs
¶ 456
1st par.

The COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES,
Washington, D. C.

H. W. Rhodes.
Inspector, 18th Lighthouse District.

INSTRUCTIONS.

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The efficiency report of the other officers of tenders shall be prepared by the master and be reviewed and forwarded by the Inspector.

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Form 69

EFFICIENCY REPORT

Department of Commerce and Labor

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, 18th DISTRICT,

LIGHT
MAR 12 1914
HOUSES

February 24th, 1914

In case of Richard R. Tuckington Title Engineer. L. V. 83.

serving in 18th District, during the period from ~~April 6th~~ March 1, 1913, to ~~present date~~ Feb. 28, 1914

1. Aptitude for the Service: Good
2. Technical knowledge: Good
3. Attention to duty: Excellent
4. Efficiency in the performance of duty—
   - *a.* Handling men: Fair
   - *b.* Executive ability: Good
   - *c.* Promptness and rapidity: "
   - *d.* Punctuality: "
   - *e.* Handling vessel: —
   - *f.* Navigation, including piloting: —
   - *g.* In engine-room and fireroom: Good
5. General conduct: Excellent
6. General bearing and appearance: Good
7. Correctness and neatness of uniform: Good
8. General health: Good
9. Physical capacity to perform duty: Good
10. Has he shown aptitude for duty of special character; and if so, for what duty?

    no.

11. Has this employee's efficiency or reputation been impaired by the use of stimulants or drugs?

    no.

12. Is he negligent as to financial obligations? No Knowledge

13. Has any reprimand or punishment been inflicted upon this employee during the period of this report?

    no.

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INSPECTOR
FEB 24
SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.

14. Do you consider him competent and otherwise properly fitted to be entrusted with more responsible duties? no.

15. Record of license: Chief Engineer, Condensing Steam Steamer Any gross tons, Issued at San Francisco, 30th September 1912.

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.....*Lighthouse Service, Commanding.*

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Department of Commerce and Labor

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

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Engineer, L. V. No. 83.

R. P. Tinkington

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Mar. Engr.
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OFFICE OF INSPECTOR, 18TH DISTRICT
CUSTOMHOUSE
SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.

June 9th, 1913.

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BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
JUN 14 1913
DEP'T OF COMMERCE

The Commissioner of Lighthouses.

1. Referring to Bureau letter of June 3rd, requesting comment and recommendation in the matter of replacing the present engineer of this vessel by a younger man.

2. The Bureau is advised that paragraph 4 of my letter of May 12th was not intended to convey the impression that the present engineer is not an efficient man, or that he was not competent to perform the work referred to. When the light vessel was laid up for repairs, a considerable amount of small work was not included in the estimates, it being the intention to have the engineer and the two firemen perform this work during the time the other repairs to the machinery were being made, and while the general repairs in the engine room department are now practically completed, the engineer and his force still have a number of minor items of repairs to complete. The work covered by item 31 involved considerable heavy work, and the engineer was not fully equipped to handle it, although thoroughly competent and willing to do it. Had it been left to him to do, there would have been considerable delay in completing other items of work of the machinery repairs.

3. While the engineer of Light Vessel No. 83 is an old man, he is, nevertheless, a competent and thoroughly trustworthy engineer, and I do not

know where a more efficient man could be secured at the salary paid to him.

4. It is recommended that for the best interests of the service, he be not relieved by a younger man.

Rhodes.

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington

June 16-1913

Orig Returned approved.

Commissioner.

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R. R. Turkington.

June 3, 1913.

Subject: Dept. authority May 29 repairs L.V. 83, $482.

Referred to the 18th Inspector for his information, guidance, and the files of his office. Telegraphic authority was sent the Inspector May 29th. It appears that the engineer of this vessel is not as efficient as he should be and his relief by a younger man may be desirable, The work in question should have been done by the force under his direction. Your comment and recommendation in the matter are desired.

File 83a.

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EFFICIENCY REPORT

BUREAU OF LIGHT-HOUSES
MAR 14 1913
DEPT OF COMMERCE

Department of Commerce and Labor

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

Office of Lighthouse Inspector, 18th *District.*

San Francisco, Cal., March 1st, 1913

In case of Richardson R. Turkington Title Engineer, L. V. No. 83

serving in 18th District, during the period from July 1st, 1912, to February 28th, 1913

1. Aptitude for the Service: Good.
2. Technical knowledge: Excellent.
3. Attention to duty: Excellent.
4. Efficiency in the performance of duty—
   - *a.* Handling men: Fair
   - *b.* Executive ability: Good
   - *c.* Promptness and rapidity: Good
   - *d.* Punctuality: Excellent.
   - *e.* Handling vessel:
   - *f.* Navigation, including piloting:
   - *g.* In engine-room and fireroom: Good.
5. General conduct: Excellent.
6. General bearing and appearance: Good.
7. Correctness and neatness of uniform: Good.
8. General health: Excellent.
9. Physical capacity to perform duty: Good.
10. Has he shown aptitude for duty of special character; and if so, for what duty?

    No.

11. Has this employee's efficiency or reputation been impaired by the use of stimulants or drugs?

    No.

12. Is he negligent as to financial obligations?

    No.

13. Has any reprimand or punishment been inflicted upon this employee during the period of this report?

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR
WASHINGTON

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Mar. Engr.
E. C. G.
Examiner.
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Contracts.
Chf. Clk.
Coastmar.

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
JAN 14 1913
DEPT OF COMMERCE AND L.

January 13, 1913.

Commissioner of Lighthouses:

The Department is in receipt of the Bureau's letter of the 8th instant, returning the notices of appointment addressed to Richardson R. Turkington, engineer on light vessel No.83, and William Kenealy, master on light vessel No.70, under date of the 2nd instant, with the recommendation that their appointments be amended so as to become effective January 1, instead of January 2, 1913.

The Department notes the statement that the nominations were mailed from the Bureau on December 30; that they probably reached the Department not later than December 31; and that the Bureau therefore believes the promotions should be made effective January 1, 1913. It appears that the nominations were received at the Bureau on December 30, and at the office of the Chief Clerk of the Department on December 31. It will be recalled that the Department closed at twelve o'clock on December 31, and it is probable that the nominations were not received at the Chief Clerk's office until a short time before the office closed for the day, as they were not forwarded to the Appointment Division until January 2. As the promotions were not approved until January 2, the Department is without legal authority to approve the Bureau's recom-

Appointments forw'd 1-15-13

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mendation.

In this connection the Department invites attention to the fact that on August 6, 1912, it approved the new schedule of complements and rates of pay for the officers and crews of light vessels, which included an increase in the pay of the position of master of light vessel No.70 from $1300 to $1320 per annum, and of engineer of light vessel No.83 from $1200 to $1260 per annum. It is therefore apparent that the Inspector of the Eighteenth District had ample time in which to submit these nominations so that the appointments could be issued by January 1. On December 2 he recommended that Henry C. Pierotti be changed from master of light vessel No.76 at $1300 per annum, to mate on the same vessel at $1008 per annum, in accordance with the schedule approved by the Department on August 6, and there appears to be no good reason why the recommendations for the promotions of Messrs. Turkington and Kenealy could not have been submitted at that time.

The notices of appointment addressed to Messrs. Turkington and Kenealy are herewith returned.

Acting Secretary.

Enclosures 14923.
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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR
WASHINGTON



January 2, 1913.

Commissioner of Lighthouses:

In accordance with the Bureau's recommendations of the 30th ultimo, the Department has increased the compensation of Mr. Richardson R. Turkington, engineer on light vessel No. 83, from $1200 to $1260 per annum, and of Mr. William Kenealy, master on light vessel No. 70, from $1300 to $1320 per annum, but has made both changes effective January 2, 1913, instead of January 1, 1913, because the recommendations were not received at the Appointment Division until January 2.

Acting Secretary.

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EFFICIENCY REPORT

Department of Commerce and Labor

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

Office of Lighthouse Inspector, 18th *District.*

San Francisco, Cal., March 1st, 1912

In case of Richardson R. Turkington Title Engineer, Blunts Reef Lightvessel No. 83.

serving in 18th District, during the period from March 1st, 1911, to February 29th, 1912.

1. Aptitude for the Service: **Excellent**

2. Technical knowledge: **Excellent**

3. Attention to duty: **Excellent**

4. Efficiency in the performance of duty—
   - *a.* Handling men: **Excellent**
   - *b.* Executive ability: **Excellent**
   - *c.* Promptness and rapidity: **Excellent**
   - *d.* Punctuality: **Excellent**
   - *e.* Handling vessel:
   - *f.* Navigation, including piloting:
   - *g.* In engine-room and fireroom: **Excellent**

5. General conduct: **Excellent**

6. General bearing and appearance: **Excellent**

7. Correctness and neatness of uniform: **Very good**

8. General health: **Excellent**

9. Physical capacity to perform duty: **Excellent**

10. Has he shown aptitude for duty of special character; and if so, for what duty? **No**

11. Has this employee's efficiency or reputation been impaired by the use of stimulants or drugs? **No**

12. Is he negligent as to financial obligations? **No**

13. Has any reprimand or punishment been inflicted upon this employee during the period of this report? **No**

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14. Do you consider him competent and otherwise properly fitted to be entrusted with more responsible duties?

Yes

15. Record of license: No. 33857 - No. of issue 11. 16. reissued August 19th, 1907 expires August 19th, 1912, issued by John Bermingham Supervising Inspector 1st District. Chief Engr. unlimited.

BUREAU OF LIGHT-HOUSES APR 1 1912

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Master.

16. General remarks by the Inspector when this report is prepared by him, or when it is reviewed and forwarded by him after it has been filled out by the master of a tender.

To the COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES.

W. A. Moffett

Commander, U. S. N. - Inspector.

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Form 73 ORIGINAL APPOINTMENT, PROMOTION, OR TRANSFER OF APPOINTEE

BUREAU OF LIGHT-HOUSES DEC 30 1912 DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

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Department of Commerce and Labor
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

Per

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, 18th DISTRICT,

San Francisco, Cal., December 24, 1912. , 191

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

The following recommendation is submitted:

Action proposed, Appointment of SPECIAL

Name, Richardson R. Turkington — Legal residence, California

Position, Engineer — Salary, $1260 per annum

Location, Blunts Reef Light Vessel No.83, California

Effective January 1, 1913 — [1] ~~the actual date of entrance on duty~~ ~~xxxx~~ / ~~xxxx

R. R. Turkington

(Cross reference)

For reason for recommendation for promotion see letter date Dec. 11, 1912, in file Edward A. Ward.

HRW-JL

December 10, 1912.

Subject: Nominations for promotion E. A. Ward, Michael J. Burke, Richardson R. Turkington, and William Kenealy.

Returned to 18th Inspector for compliance Bureau Circular No. 196 in regard new schedule of pay and complements for Light Vessels.

Acting Commissioner.

JL-HRV-MoC-JB

R.R.Turkington,
reprimand.

June 29, 1912.

Richardson R. Turkington,
Engineer of Light-vessel No. 83,
(Through Eighteenth Inspector),
San Francisco, Cal.

Referring to the collision on April 27, 1912, between Light-vessel No. 83, and two merchant vessels in San Francisco Harbor.

The Bureau reprimands you for your failure to comply with paragraph 2, on page 198 of the Regulations, 1911, which states under "Duties of the Chief Engineer", that "He shall personally supervise the operation of the machinery at all times when unusual care is required to be given to the working of the engines", and also for the following reasons:

1. Fifteen minutes is too short a time in which to warm the engines and move them at the dock.

2. It should have been known which way the engines were turning immediately, and when it was found they would not respond to the reversing engine they should have been stopped at once and the Captain notified to let go anchor.

The fact that you have been thus reprimanded will be noted on the records of this office and on those of the Inspector as a part of your official history.

Commissioner.

JC
TSC
GW
HRV

Copy to 18th Insp for his file

READ THE INSTRUCTIONS ON PAGE 3

Department of Commerce and Labor

EFFICIENCY REPORT May 10, 1911.

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

1. Name Richardson R. Turkington 2. Age 66 (Last birthday.)

3. Bureau of Lighthouses 4. Position Engineer in the Lighthouse Service 18th Lighthouse District.

5. Compensation $1200. p.a. 6. Where employed (Blunts Reef Light-Vessel No.83)

7. When appointed (*a*) Feb.13,1907 8. How appointed (*b*) Through Civil Service Examination.

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

10. Is the employee an honorably discharged soldier or sailor? Yes.

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

12. Other Government service State militia.

13. Duties (describe fully) Engineer in charge of all machinery of vessel; care of equipment and supplies for engineer department; superintend repairs to boilers and engines; keep accounts and render reports, etc.

14. Has the employee special qualifications? Yes If so, state them Marine engineer.

15. Efficiency (*d*):

	Averages.	Relative weights.	Products of averages multiplied by weights.
Quantity of work	95/100 Excellent	2	190
Quality of work	100	3	300
Interest manifested in work (see also Question 17)	Good 85	3	255
Attendance		-2-	
Total		8	745
Average percentage			93.1

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

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

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

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

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

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

20. Remarks: (*e*)

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

W. C. Moffett

Condr. U.S.N. Inspector 18th L.H.Dist.

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

W. C. Moffett

Condr.U.S.N.Inspector 18th L.H.Dist.

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Chief of Bureau or Office.

Form 69

EFFICIENCY REPORT

Department of Commerce and Labor

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

Office of Lighthouse Inspector, 18th *District.*

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
APR 12 1911
DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

San Francisco, Cal., March 1, 1911.

In case of Richardson R. Turkington Title Engineer (Blunts Reef Light-Vessel No. 83)

serving in 18th District, during the period from October 24, 1910, to February 28, 1911.

1. Aptitude for the Service: Excellent.
2. Technical knowledge: Excellent
3. Attention to duty: Excellent
4. Efficiency in the performance of duty—
   - *a.* Handling men: Excellent
   - *b.* Executive ability: Excellent
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   - *f.* Navigation, including piloting:
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5. General conduct: Excellent
6. General bearing and appearance: Excellent
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8. General health: Excellent
9. Physical capacity to perform duty: Excellent
10. Has he shown aptitude for duty of special character; and if so, for what duty?

    No

11. Has this employee's efficiency or reputation been impaired by the use of stimulants or drugs?

    No

12. Is he negligent as to financial obligations? No

13. Has any reprimand or punishment been inflicted upon this employee during the period of this report?

    No

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14. Do you consider him competent and otherwise properly fitted to be entrusted with more responsible duties? Yes- competent as engineer in any vessel.

15. Record of license: Chief Engineer of ocean steamers, unlimited.

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Master.

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Mr. Purkington keeps his department in excellent condition.

W. G. Moffett

To the COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES.

Lieut-Commander, U.S.N., Inspector.

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Department of Commerce and Labor

LIGHT HOUSE BOARD
JUN 12 1909
NO.

EFFICIENCY REPORT

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

1. Bureau Light-House Service. 2. Where employed Blunts Reef L.V.83.
3. Name Richardson R. Turkington. 4. Where born Ireland.
5. Age 64. 6. Position Engineer in the Light-House Service.
7. Compensation $1200. pa. 8. When appointed (*a*) ~~February 15~~ September 6, 1907.
9. How appointed (*b*) Through Civil Service Examination.
10. Appointed from State California. Congressional District III. County Alameda.
11. Status under Civil Service Rules (*c*) Classified Competitive.
12. Is the employee an honorably discharged soldier or sailor? Yes.
13. Other Government service State Militia. Acting assistant engineer L.V.82 from February 1, 1907, for 2 months. Acting engineer for 5 months from April 6, '07.
14. Duties (describe fully) Engineer; in charge of all machinery of vessel; care of equipment and supplies for engineer department; superintend repairs to boilers and engines; keep accounts; render reports, etc.
15. Efficiency — Quantity of work (*d*) 10/10; Quality of work (*e*) Good.; Interest manifested in work (*f*) Excellent.
16. Is this employee fully earning the salary he is now receiving? Yes.
17. Remarks (*g*) Satisfactory in all respects.

W Gillis

Head of Bureau or Office.
Comdr. U. S. N., Inspector 12th L. H. Dist.

JUN 7 - 1909, 19

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Richardson R. Turkington

RICHARDSON R. TURKINGTON

STATE FROM WHICH APPOINTED
California

INACTIVE

STATUS

DESIGNATION	SALARY	OFFICE, BUREAU, OR DIVISION	DATE APPOINTED
TEMPORARY Acting Assistant Engineer	$800pa	Light-House	Feb. 1, 1907
" " TEMPORARY	"	" "	Mar 1, 1907
Acting Engineer TEMPORARY	1000		Apr. 6, 1907
" "	"		May 6 "
" "	1200	" "	June 6-'07
Engineer	"	" "	Sept 6-'07
" L H #83	1760	" "	Jan. 2. 1913
2nd Asst Kpr. Cape Mendocino L.S. Cal	540.	"	May 1, 1917.
Keeper " Increase	660	"	Nov 4, 1918
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Washington

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The Honorable,

The Secretary of Commerce and Labor.

Sir:

The Board has the honor to ask the appointment of Mr. Richardson R. Turkington as Acting Assistant Engineer in the Light-House Service, with pay at the rate of $800 a year, for a period of one month from 1 Feb'y, '07, the date of his entrance on duty, in the place of Mr. Karl A. Persson, resigned, Nov 15.06 and pending the establishment of an eligible list and selection therefrom.

The Board has assigned Mr. Turkington to duty on Light-Vessel number Eighty-three.

Respectfully,

H. Stokes

Captain, U. S. N.,

Naval Secretary.

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Department of Commerce and Labor

LIGHT-HOUSE ESTABLISHMENT

I, R. R. Turkington

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

R R Turkington

[b]Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 16th day of April, A. D. 1907

[c]Name: M. V. Collins

Official title: NOTARY PUBLIC in and for the City and County of San Francisco, State of California.

{Affix official seal.}

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NAME OF OFFICE.	NAME OF STATION.	State or Country in which born.	State or Territory from which appointed.
Actg. Asst. Engineer	Light House Service	Ireland	California

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

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

[c]This Oath should be taken before a Justice of the Peace, Notary Public, Judge, Clerk of a Court, or any other officer having authority to administer oaths, but never before a Collector of Customs, as he has no power to administer oaths in such cases. *The oath should be taken on or after the date of the appointment.*

In case the officer administering the oath has no seal, his official character should be duly certified to by the clerk of the proper court or the proper county clerk.

Light House Board,
Entered upon duty.
Date 1 May 07

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W. H. Gorgas
Acting Chief Clerk.

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The Honorable,

The Secretary of Commerce and Labor.

Sir:

Referring to Department letter of 13 Feb'y, '07, appointing Mr. Richardson R. Turkington, Acting Assistant Engineer in the Light-House Service, with pay at the rate of $800 a year, for a period of one month from 1 Feb'y, '07, the Board has the honor to ask an extension of Mr. Turkington's appointment for an additional period of one month from 1 March, '07, pending the formation of an eligible list.

Respectfully,

3-13-07

John L. Casey
Lt. Col., Corps of Engineers, U. S. A.,
Engineer Secretary.

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R R Turkington

Light House Board,
Entered upon duty.
Date 1 March '07

W. A. Gregory
Acting Chief Clerk.

[b]Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 16 day of April, A. D. 1907

[c]Name: M. V. Collins

Official title: NOTARY PUBLIC in and for the City and County of San Francisco, State of California.

Affix official seal.

NAME OF OFFICE.	NAME OF STATION.	State or Country in which born.	State or Territory from which appointed.
Actg. Asst. Engineer	Light-House Service	Ireland	California

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30 March, 1907.

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The Honorable,

The Secretary of Commerce and Labor.

Sir:-

The Board has the honor to ask the probationary appointment of Mr. Richardson R. Turkington, of California, to the position of Assistant Engineer in the Light-House Service, with pay at the rate of $800 a year, to date from 1 April, '07, in the place of himself, now holding the position of Acting Assistant Engineer under a temporary appointment. Feb 1'07 - 1 mo Extended Mar 1'07 - 1 mo.

Mr. Turkington has passed the required Civil Service examination and received a rating of 89.6 per cent. The Board has assigned Mr. Turkington to duty on Blunts Reef Light-Vessel, No. Eighty-three.

Respectfully,

H-1-07

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

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Department of Commerce and Labor
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
Washington

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April 2, 1907.

Gentlemen:

Referring to the Board's request of the 30th ultimo for the probationary appointment of Mr. Richardson R. Turkington as assistant engineer in the Light-House Service, the Department notes that his age, as given on the duplicate of the eligible list of assistant engineers transmitted by the Inspector of the Twelfth Light-House District, is 62 years.

Unless Mr. Turkington claims preference under section 1754, Revised Statutes, and the claim is allowed, he cannot be considered for the above mentioned position.

Respectfully,

Lawrence O. Murray
Assistant Secretary.

The Light-House Board.

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The Honorable,

The Secretary of Commerce and Labor.

Sir:

Referring to the Board's letter of 30 March, '07, asking the probationary appointment of Mr. Richardson R. Turkington, Acting Assistant Engineer in the Light-House Service, with pay at the rate of $800 a year, the Board has the honor to ask that this letter be cancelled, and begs now to ask the appointment of Mr. Turkington as Acting Engineer in the Light-House Service, for a period of three months to date from 6 April, '07, the date of his entrance on duty, with pay at the rate of $1000 a year, in the place of Mr. Edward S. Gutierrez, resigned, Apr 5.07 and pending the establishment of an eligible register for this position.

The Board has assigned Mr. Turkington to duty on Light-Vessel No. Eighty-three.

Respectfully,

Chairman

Captain, U. S. N.,

Naval Secretary.

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Department of Commerce and Labor
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
Washington

10519

April 20, 1907.

Gentlemen:

Receipt is acknowledged of the Board's letter of the 18th instant, requesting that its letter of the 30th ultimo, recommending the probational appointment of Richardson R. Turkington as assistant engineer in the Light-House Service, with pay at the rate of $800 per annum, be canceled, and recommending the temporary appointment of Mr. Turkington as acting engineer for a period of three months, to date from April 6, at the rate of $1000 per annum, the Board is informed that the Department has today issued a certificate for Mr. Turkington's temporary appointment for a period not to exceed one month. If it is not possible to secure eligibles by the time this appointment expires, an extension for a like period may be recommended, but there is no authority for putting a person on for three months pending the establishment of an eligible register.

The Board's letter of the 30th ultimo will be regarded as canceled.

Yours very respectfully,

Lawrence O. Murray

Assistant Secretary.

The Light-House Board.

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GENERAL APPOINTMENT—PRIOR DATE

Department of Commerce and Labor
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
Washington

10519

April 19, 1907.

Mr. Richardson R. Turkington, of ....., is hereby appointed

Acting Engineer,

in the Light-House Service,

at a salary of One Thousand dollars per annum,

this appointment to be effective beginning April 6, 1907, he having entered upon duty on that date and since continuously served in the above-mentioned position. (Vice Edward S. Gutierrez)

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

(For a period not to exceed one month.)

CARDED

Lawrence O. Murray
Assistant Secretary.

Date of oath: ....., 190

The Light-House Board.

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LIGHT-HOUSE ESTABLISHMENT

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

Richardson R Turkington

Light House Board,
Entered upon duty.
Date 6 April '07

[b] Sworn and subscribed before me, this 3rd day of June, A. D. 1907.

CARDED

J B Johnson
Chief Clerk.

[c] Name: James Mason

{Affix official seal.}

Notary Public in and for the City and County of San Francisco, State of California.

Official title:

NAME OF OFFICE.	NAME OF STATION.	State or Country in which born.	State or Territory from which appointed.
Acting Engineer	Light-House Service (Lt-Vessel No. 88)	Ireland	California.

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

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PERSONAL QUESTION SHEET

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

Department of Commerce and Labor

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

Washington

May 10, 1904.

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

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

Geo. B. Cortelyou

Secretary.



PART I.

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

1. What is your full name? (Do not use initials, but spell out each name and state whether Mr., Miss, or Mrs. Example: Mr. John Richard Doe.)

Mr Richardson Robert Burkington

2. How do you write your name on the pay roll? R R Burkington

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

Berkeley (City or town.) California (State or Territory.) Alameda (County.) 3d (Congressional district.)

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

5. Where were you born? Dublin Ireland

6. When were you born? January (Month.) 18th (Day.) 1845 (Year.)

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

8. Are there any members of your family, besides yourself, in the civil service of the United States? (If so, give below their names, relationship, the Departments and Bureaus or Services in which they are employed and the positions they occupy.)

Name.	Relationship.	Department.	Bureau or Service.	Position.
None now, that I am aware of				

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

No

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

Have to wear glasses to read or write only

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

No

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

Regiment and company, or vessel.	Date enlisted.	Date discharged.	Cause of discharge.
Ellsworth Guard Zouaves	San Francisco		Company disbanded

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

Regiment and company, or vessel.	Date enlisted.	Date discharged.	Cause of discharge.
No			

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

Marine Engineer running to Panama from San Francisco
" " " " China & Japan " " "
" " " on China coast from Shanghai

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

Public school

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

Practical mechanical Machinist

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

None.

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

Yes

19. State the date upon which the above blanks were filled April 16th, 1907

Witness:

(Signature) R R Burkington

In case signature is by mark.

P. O. Address: Berkeley
City or town.

1326 Bancroft Way
Number and street.

California
State or Territory.

Reviewed, approved, and forwarded APR 16 1907, 190

(Signature) H. T. Mayo Comdr. USN,

(Official title) Inspector 12th L.H. District.

PART II.

(Blanks in Part II are to be filled by the executive officers of the various Bureaus of the Department, or, at their direction, by some official who can give the information desired. If unable to answer any question, indicate that fact.)

1. State the Bureau or Service, place and district in which the person who answered the above questions is employed.

Light-House Service, (Bureau or Service.) San Francisco, Cal. (Place (city, town, or station).) 12th (District.)

2. To what position has he been appointed? Actg. Asst. Engineer in the Light-House Service

3. State the date of appointment. February 13, 1907. assigned to Blunts Reef L-Vessel.

4. State the date the appointee or employee entered on duty. February 1, 1907.

5. What is his salary? $800. per annum.

6. From what appropriation is he paid? Expenses of Light-Vessels.

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

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

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

Temporary appointment.

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

(Signature) H. T. Mayo Comdr. USN,

Date: APR 16 1907, 190

(Official title) Inspector 12th L.H. District.

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The Honorable,

The Secretary of Commerce and Labor.

Sir:-

Referring to Department letter of 19 April, '07, appointing Mr. Richardson R. Turkington to the position of Acting Engineer in the Light-House Service, for duty under the direction of the Inspector of the 12th Light-House District, L.V. #83 the Board has the honor to ask an extension of this appointment for the period of three months to date from 6 May, '07, with pay at the rate of $1000 a year.

The Board states that it is informed by the Inspector that this extension is made necessary because of the difficulty in securing the services of engineers in his district, there being no eligibles on the register and no applicants for the position.

No eligibles on Empir Register 12th Lt. Dist 5-17-07

Respectfully,

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Captain, U. S. N.,

Naval Secretary.

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

Richardson R. Turkington

Light House Board,
Entered upon duty.
Date 6 May '07

[b] Sworn and subscribed before me, this 3rd day of June, A. D. 190 7

CARDED

J. B. Johnson
Chief Clerk.

[c] Name: James Mason

{Affix official seal.}

Official title: Notary Public in and for the City and County of San Francisco, State of California.

NAME OF OFFICE.	NAME OF STATION.	State or Country in which born.	State or Territory from which appointed.
Acting Engineer	Light-House Service (Ft-Vend 83)	Ireland	California.

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

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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 head of the bureau, and forwarded to the Secretary of Commerce and Labor.)

Name of employee Mr. Richardson R. Turkington of $800 a year.

Designation Acting Asst. Engineer, L. H. S. Feb'y 13,-Feb'y,1,'07,1 mo.
Mar. 13-1,'07 - 1 mo.

Last day served 31 March, '07.

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C. S. COMMISSION.

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O E Johnson
Chief Clerk
(Official title.)

Light-House Board.
(Bureau or service.)

Date 25 April, '07.

See Comp. Appr. as act. Engr.

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14 June, '07.

The Honorable,

The Secretary of Commerce and Labor.

Sir:-

Referring to Department letter of 17 May, '07, appointing Mr. Richardson R. Turkington of California, to the position of Acting Engineer in the Lighthouse Service for a period of one month from 6 May, '07, the Board has the honor to ask an extension of this appointment for a period of three months from 6 June, '07, pending the formation of an eligible register and selection therefrom.

The Inspector of the Twelfth Lighthouse District states that a renewal of Mr. Turkington's appointment for a period of three months is recommended, owing to the difficulty of securing the services of engineers in his District, there being no eligibles on the register, no applicants for the position of Engineer, and no Assistant Engineers available for promotion.

Respectfully,

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Captain, U. S. N.,

Naval Secretary.

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Civil Service Commission
requested to approve.
JUN 17 1907

Department of Commerce and Labor
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
Washington

June 17, 1907.

Gentlemen:

The Commission is requested to approve an extension of the temporary appointment of Richardson R. Turkington of California as acting engineer in the Light-House Service, with pay at the rate of $1,000 per annum, for such time from June 6, 1907, as may be necessary to establish an eligible register of engineers and make selection therefrom.

Mr. Turkington was originally appointed to this position on April 6, 1907, for a period of one month, and the appointment was subsequently extended for an additional period of not to exceed one month from May 6, 1907.

The Inspector of the Twelfth Light-House District asks a renewal of Mr. Turkington's appointment for a period of three months owing to the difficulty of securing the services of engineers in his District, there being no eligibles on the register, no applicants for the position of engineer and no assistant engineers available for promotion.

Yours very respectfully,

Lawrence O. Murray
Assistant Secretary.

The Civil Service Commission.
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United States
Civil Service Commission,
Washington, D. C.

June 21, 1907.

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The Honorable

The Secretary of Commerce and Labor.

Sir:

In response to your request of June 17 the Commission has the honor to inform you that authority is granted for the extension of the temporary appointment of Richardson R. Turkington as acting assistant engineer in the Light-House Service, California, for such period as may be necessary to establish an eligible register for this position and to make a selection therefrom.

By direction of the Commission:

Very respectfully,

John C. Black

President.

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The Honorable,

The Secretary of Commerce and Labor.

Sir:-

Referring to Department letter of 29 May, '07, increasing the pay of the officers of light-vessels in the Twelfth and Thirteenth Light-House Districts, the Board has the honor to ask that the pay of Mr. Richardson R. Turkington, of California, Acting Engineer in the Light-House Service, be increased from $1000 a year to $1200 a year, to date from 1 June, '07.

Mr. Turkington is assigned to duty on Light-Vessel No. 83.

Respectfully,

6-20-07

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

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OATH OF OFFICE

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LIGHT-HOUSE ESTABLISHMENT

I, Richardson R. Turkington

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

FORWARDED

R R Turkington
Richardson R Turkington

Light House Board,
Entered upon duty.
Date 6 June '07
J B Johnson
Chief Clerk.

[b] Sworn and subscribed before me, this 19th day of August, A. D. 190[illegible]

[c] Name: James Mason

Official title: Notary Public

{Affix official seal.}

NAME OF OFFICE.	NAME OF STATION.	State or Country in which born.	State or Territory from which appointed.
Acting Engineer	Light-House Service (Lt-Vessel 83)	Ireland	California.

[a] Insert here "swear" or "affirm," as the case may be.
[b] Insert here "Sworn to" or "Affirmed," as the case may be.
[c] This Oath should be taken before a Justice of the Peace, Notary Public, Judge, Clerk of a Court, or any other officer having authority to administer oaths, but never before a Collector of Customs, as he has no power to administer oaths in such cases. *The oath should be taken on or after the date of the appointment.*

In case the officer administering the oath has no seal, his official character should be duly certified to by the clerk of the proper court or the proper county clerk.

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The only eligible list.
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The Honorable,

The Secretary of Commerce and Labor.

Sir:

The Board has the honor to ask the probationary appointment of Mr. Richardson R. Turkington of California, as Engineer in the Lighthouse Service, with pay at the rate of $1200 a year, to date from 6 September, '07, the date of his entrance on duty, in the place of himself, temporary appointee. (Extended June 6.07 — not exc 3 mos)

Mr. Turkington passed the required examination, and received a rating of 89.6 per cent.

The Board states that Mr. Turkington is now serving as Engineer on Light Vessel No. 83.

The Board states for the information of the Department that the Inspector of the Twelfth Light-House District in recommending this appointment, urges that the age limit be waived in the case of Mr. Turkington, as after continuous advertising only one application has been received for the position of Engineer in his Light-House District, and that applicant in the examination failed to receive the necessary rating to place him on the eligible register.

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Wrote L.D. Corr SEP. 25 1907

Respectfully,

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A. Sebree
Rear-Admiral, U.S.N.,
Naval Secretary.

Department of Commerce and Labor

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

Washington

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September 25, 1907.

Gentlemen:

The Commission is requested to waive the age limit in the case of Mr. Richardson R. Turkington who has been serving continuously as acting engineer on Light-Vessel No. 83 in the Twelfth Light-House District.

Mr. Turkington registered on March 16, 1907, for assistant engineer of a light-vessel, receiving a rating of 89.6%, but as his age was given as 62 the Light-House Board was advised that his name could not be considered unless he claimed preference under Section 1754, Revised Statutes, and the claim was allowed. The Board thereupon asked for his temporary appointment from April 6, 1907, pending the establishment of an eligible register. With the approval of the Commission he has been continued in the service from that time.

Under date of the 18th instant the Light-House Board states that the Inspector of the Twelfth Light-House District, in recommending the probationary appointment of Mr. Turkington, urges that the age limit be waived in his case as, after continuous advertising, only one application has been received for the position of engineer in his district, and that the applicant failed to receive the rating in the examination necessary to place him on the eligible reg-

ister. There is one eligible on the register of assistant engineer in the Twelfth Light-House District, but he, Mr. Frederick Ponzer, qualified for appointment on a tender.

Yours very respectfully,

Clarence O. Murray

Assistant Secretary.

The Civil Service Commission.

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Civil Service Commission,
Washington, D. C.

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October 3, 1907.

The Honorable

The Secretary of Commerce and Labor.

Sir:

In compliance with your request of September 25, 1907, and for the reasons stated in your letter, the Commission has waived the age limit in the case of Mr. Richardson R. Turkington to permit his name to be entered on the register of the Twelfth Lighthouse District.

By direction of the Commission:

Very respectfully,

Henry F. Greene

Commissioner.

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PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT—PRIOR DATE

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Department of Commerce and Labor
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
Washington

October 4, 1907.

Mr. Richardson P. Turkington, of California, having qualified under the civil-service regulations, is hereby appointed Engineer, in the Light-House Service, with compensation at the rate of Twelve Hundred dollars per annum, for a probationary period of six months, effective beginning September 6, 1907, he having entered upon duty on that date and since continuously served in the above-mentioned position. (vice himself.)

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U. S. COMMISSION.

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

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

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Assistant Secretary.

The Light-House Board.

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Department of Commerce and Labor

LIGHT-HOUSE ESTABLISHMENT

I, Richardson R. Turkington

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

Richardson R Turkington

Light House Board,
Entered upon duty.
Date 6 Sept, 1907.

[b] Sworn and subscribed before me, this 14th. day of October, A. D. 190 7

J. B. Johnson
Chief Clerk.

{Affix official seal.}

[c] Name: ~~R R Turkington~~ Richardson R Turkington

Official title: Notary Public in and for the City and County of San Francisco, State of California.

NAME OF OFFICE.	NAME OF STATION.	State or Country in which born.	State or Territory from which appointed.
Engineer	Lt House Service (Blunts Reef L. V. #83.)	Ireland	California.

[a] Insert here "swear" or "affirm," as the case may be.
[b] Insert here "Sworn to" or "Affirmed," as the case may be.
[c] This Oath should be taken before a Justice of the Peace, Notary Public, Judge, Clerk of a Court, or any other officer having authority to administer oaths, but never before a Collector of Customs, as he has no power to administer oaths in such cases. *The oath should be taken on or after the date of the appointment.*

In case the officer administering the oath has no seal, his official character should be duly certified to by the clerk of the proper court or the proper county clerk.

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MEMORANDUM SHOWING LAST DAY SERVED BY TEMPORARY EMPLOYEE

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

Name of employee Mr. Richardson R. Turkington of Apr. 19-6,'07 - 1 mo.
May 17-6,'07 - 1 mo.
*June 22-6,'07 - 3 mos.

Designation Acting Engineer, L. H. S. *Compensation* $1000 yr.
* $1200 yr.

Last day served 5 Sept., 1907.

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Chief Clerk
(Official title.)

Light-House Board.
(Bureau or service.)

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Date 11 Oct., 1907.

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LIGHT HOUSE BOARD
JUN 12 1909
NO.

EFFICIENCY REPORT

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

1. Bureau Light-House Service. 2. Where employed Blunts Reef L.V.83.
3. Name Richardson R. Turkington. 4. Where born Ireland.
5. Age 64. 6. Position Engineer in the Light-House Service.
7. Compensation $1200. pa. 8. When appointed (a) ~~February 13~~ September 6, 1907.
9. How appointed (b) Through Civil Service Examination.
10. Appointed from: State California. Congressional District III. County Alameda.
11. Status under Civil Service Rules (c) Classified Competitive.
12. Is the employee an honorably discharged soldier or sailor? Yes.
13. Other Government service State Militia. Acting assistant engineer, L.V. 83, from Feb. 1, 1907, for two months. Acting engineer for five months from April 6, 1907
14. Duties (describe fully) Engineer; in charge of all machinery of vessel; care of equipment and supplies for engineer department; superintend repairs to boilers and engines; keep accounts; render reports, etc.
15. Efficiency: Quantity of work (d) 10/10; Quality of work (e) Good.; Interest manifested in work (f) Excellent.
16. Is this employee fully earning the salary he is now receiving? Yes.
17. Remarks (g) Satisfactory in all respects.

O.R.

CAPTAIN, U. S. N.
NAVAL SECRETARY

JUN 7 - 1909, 19

Head of Bureau or Office.

Comdr. U. S. N., Inspector 12th L. H. Dist.

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READ THE INSTRUCTIONS ON PAGE 3

Department of Commerce and Labor

EFFICIENCY REPORT

May 10, 1911.

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

1. Name Richardson R. Turkington 2. Age 66 (Last birthday.)

3. Bureau of Lighthouses 4. Position Engineer in the Lighthouse Service 18th Lighthouse District.

5. Compensation $1200. p.a. 6. Where employed (Blunts Reef Light-Vessel No. 83)

7. When appointed (*a*) Feb. 13, 1907 8. How appointed (*b*) Through Civil Service Examination.

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

10. Is the employee an honorably discharged soldier or sailor? Yes.

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

12. Other Government service State militia.

13. Duties (describe fully) Engineer in charge of all machinery of vessel; care of equipment and supplies for engineer department; superintend repairs to boilers and engines; keep accounts and render reports, etc.

14. Has the employee special qualifications? Yes If so, state them Marine engineer.

15. Efficiency (*d*):

	Averages.	Relative weights.	Products of averages multiplied by weights.
Quantity of work	95/100 Excellent	2	190
Quality of work	100	3	300
Interest manifested in work (see also Question 17)	Good 85	3	255
Attendance		-8-	
Total		8 -10-	745
Average percentage			93.1

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

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

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

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

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

20. Remarks: (*e*)

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

M. A. Moffett

Comdr. U.S.N. Inspector 18th L.H.Dist.

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

M. A. Moffett

Comdr. U.S.N. Inspector 18th L.H.Dist.

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G. V. O'Rutherford

Chief of Bureau or Office.

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Form 73 **ORIGINAL APPOINTMENT, PROMOTION, OR TRANSFER OF APPOINTEE**

Department of Commerce and Labor
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

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BUREAU OF LIGHT-HOUSES DEC 30 1912 DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR
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OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, 18th DISTRICT,

San Francisco, Cal., December 24, 1912. 191

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

The following recommendation is submitted: **SPECIAL**

Action proposed, Appointment of

Name, Richardson R. Turkington — Legal residence, California

Position, Engineer — Salary, $1260 per annum

Location, Blunts Reef Light Vessel No.83, California

Effective January 1, 1913 — [1] ~~the actual date of entrance on duty, or~~ ~~as soon thereafter as he enters on duty~~

Former position, Engineer — Former salary, $1200 per annum

Location, Blunts Reef Light Vessel No.83, California

Rank in list of eligibles, Rating, Percentage,

Other eligibles considered,

Letters of declination inclosed,

Previous incumbent, Services terminated,

Reason,

Remarks: To be paid from appropriation:- "Salaries, Lighthouse Vessels." Increase in compensation recommended to comply with schedule of complements and rates of pay for officers and crew of light vessels in the Lighthouse Service, approved by Department August 6, 1912. It is believed this nominee is deserving of the increase by reason of his efficiency.

Rhodes.
Inspector.

HRW

Department of Commerce and Labor
BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON.

December 30, 1912.

SPECIAL

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

APPOINTMENT DIVISION APPOINTMENT WRITTEN JAN 2 1913 DEPT OF COMMERCE AND LABOR

G. B. Putnam

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

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Form 111

OATH OF OFFICE

(Prescribed by Section 1757, Revised Statutes)

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Department of Commerce and Labor

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

I, Richardson R. Turkington

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.

Richardson R. Turkington
(Appointee signs here)

[2] Sworn (See below) and subscribed before me, this[3] 23rd day of January, A. D. 1913

(Affix official seal here)

[4] (Name) [illegible]

(Official title) Notary Public in and for the City and County of San Francisco, State of California.

Official Title	Rate of Pay	Name of Station, Vessel, or Place of Employment
Present Engineer	$1260. per annum	Blunts Reef Light Vessel No.83, Cal.
Former[5] Engineer	$1200. per annum	Blunts Reef Light Vessel No.83, Cal.

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

Office of Lighthouse Inspector, 18th District

San Francisco, Cal., (Address), January 25, 1913. (Date)

The above-named appointee entered upon duty on January 2, 1913. (Date)

CARDED

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H. W. Rhodes. Inspector.
(Signature, followed by title)

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

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

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

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

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

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

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3 inclosures.
Richardson R. Turkington,
& William Kenealy, increases.

Department of Commerce and Labor
BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
Washington

January 8, 1913.

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Secretary of Commerce and Labor.

Referring to Department letter of January 2, 1913, advising the Bureau that the Department has increased the compensation of Richardson R. Turkington, engineer on light vessel No. 83, from $1200 to $1260 per annum, and of William Kenealy, master on light vessel No. 70, from $1300 to $1320 per annum, but has made both changes effective January 2, 1913, instead of January 1, 1913, because the recommendations were not received at the Appointment Division until January 2, 1913.

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The Bureau returns the Department notices of appointment in question, with recommendation that the increases in each case be made effective January 1, 1913.

The nominations were mailed from this office on December 30, 1912, and probably reached the Department not later than December 31, 1912. The Bureau therefore believes that the promotions in question should be made effective as recommended, i. e., the fixed date, January 1, 1913.

Department letter of January 2, 1913, referred to above, is also inclosed.

S. R. Putnam

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DIVISION OF APPOINTMENTS
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January 13, 1913.

Commissioner of Lighthouses:

The Department is in receipt of the Bureau's letter of the 8th instant, returning the notices of appointment addressed to Richardson R. Turkington, engineer on light vessel No.83, and William Wenealy, master on light vessel No.70, under date of the 2nd instant, with the recommendation that their appointments be amended so as to become effective January 1, instead of January 2, 1913.

The Department notes the statement that the nominations were mailed from the Bureau on December 30; that they probably reached the Department not later than December 31; and that the Bureau therefore believes the promotions should be made effective January 1, 1913. It appears that the nominations were received at the Bureau on December 30, and at the office of the Chief Clerk of the Department on December 31. It will be recalled that the Department closed at twelve o'clock on December 31, and it is probable that the nominations were not received at the Chief Clerk's office until a short time before the office closed for the day, as they were not forwarded to the Appointment Division until January 2. As the promotions were not approved until January 2, the Department is without legal authority to approve the Bureau's recom-

mendation.

In this connection the Department invites attention to the fact that on August 6, 1912, it approved the new schedule of complements and rates of pay for the officers and crews of light vessels, which included an increase in the pay of the position of master of light vessel No.70 from $1300 to $1320 per annum, and of engineer of light vessel No.83 from $1200 to $1260 per annum. It is therefore apparent that the Inspector of the Eighteenth District had ample time in which to submit these nominations so that the appointments could be issued by January 1. On December 2 he recommended that Henry C. Pierotti be changed from master of light vessel No.76 at $1300 per annum, to mate on the same vessel at $1008 per annum, in accordance with the schedule approved by the Department on August 6, and there appears to be no good reason why the recommendations for the promotions of Messrs. Turkington and Kenealy could not have been submitted at that time.

The notices of appointment addressed to Messrs. Turkington and Kenealy are herewith returned.

(Signed) BENJ. S. CABLE

Acting Secretary.

Enclosures 14923.
F-JB

(Cross Reference)

November 18, 1914.

Lighthouses advises that as soon as it receives charges against engineer R. B. Turkington, Light Vessel No.83, it will forward same. See file of H. C. Pierotti, Lighthouse/

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Department of Commerce and Labor
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

CHIEF CLERK
JAN 19 1916
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Efficiency Ratings.

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR, 18TH DISTRICT
CUSTOMHOUSE
SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.

DIVISION OF APPOINTMENTS
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January 11, 1916.

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Commissioner of Lighthouses.

1. Referring to Form 106 recently submitted for this district, reporting efficiency ratings for the period ending December 31st, 1915.

2. The Bureau is informed that Mr. R. R. Turkington, Engineer of Blunts Reef Light Vessel No. 83, has been given an efficiency rating below the standard as he is incapacitated by reason of age and physical infirmities for properly performing his duties as engineer of the light vessel. Mr. Turkington is 71 years of age, and while he has been an efficient engineer, he is unable for the reasons stated above to properly discharge his duties at this time.

3. Certain reports recently brought to the attention of this office, relative to Mr. Turkington's efficiency are at present being investigated, and a further report and recommendation in his case will be submitted to the Bureau as soon as practicable.

Rhodes.

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Bureau of Lighthouses,
January 17, 1916.

Submitted to Secretary of Commerce with the information that the Inspector in his efficiency report as of December 31, 1915, gives Turkington 7/10 for quantity, fair for quality, fair for interest manifested in work, and states that this employee is not fully earning his salary. It is recommended, in view of the fact that the rating received by him is due to infirmities of old age, that no further action be taken at the present time. A further report and recommendation will, however, be made to the Department, as soon as report referred to in last paragraph of the Inspector's letter is received.

G. R. Putnam

January 20, 1916.

Commissioner of Lighthouses:

The Department acknowledges receipt of the Eighteenth Inspector's letter of the 11th instant, forwarded by the Bureau on the 17th instant, relative to the unsatisfactory efficiency rating of Richardson R. Turkington, engineer on light vessel No. 83, and approves the recommendation to the effect that no action be taken at this time, pending the receipt of a further report and recommendation in connection with an investigation which the Inspector states is being made as a result of certain reports recently brought to the attention of the Inspector's office relative to Mr. Turkington's efficiency.

(SIGNED) A. L. THURMAN

Acting Secretary.

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ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

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OFFICE OF INSPECTOR, 18TH DISTRICT
CUSTOMHOUSE
SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.

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Aug. 16, 1916.

Efficiency rating,
R.R. Turkington.

Commissioner of Lighthouses:

1. Referring to Form 106, from this District, for the period ending June 30th, 1916, in which R.R. Turkington, Engineer of Blunts Reef Light Vessel No. 83, is reported below the standard of efficiency.

2. In connection with the efficiency of this employee, the Bureau's attention is invited to letter, from this office, dated January 11, 1916, transmitting Form 106, for the period ending December 31st, 1915, and to Bureau endorsement of May 8th, 1916, on letter, from this office, dated April 25th, relative to Mr. Turkington and also Mr. Burke, the assistant engineer of the vessel.

3. The efficiency of Mr. Burke is reported on in separate letter of this date.

4. The conditions remain the same as previously reported. The Engineer's services are unsatisfactory, on account of his advanced age and physical infirmities. Mr. Turkington does not desire to accept appointment on shore, as a lighthouse keeper, nor is he qualified physically to perform such duties. The license held by Joseph V. Watson, Asst.Engineer of San Francisco Light Vessel No. 70 does not entitle him to appointment as Engineer of Light Vessel No. 83, and, therefore, no exchange can be made among the engineer officers of light vessels in this district which would improve present conditions.

CHIEF CLERK
AUG 24 1916

5. Consideration will be given whenever possible to recommending a transfer of one or both of the engineer officers on this vessel to other positions, in order that an efficient engineer and assistant engineer may be secured for this vessel.

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6. It is recommended that no action be taken in the matter at this time.

Rhodes.

ANSWERED
AUG 25 1916

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington.

AUG 23 1916

Submitted to Secretary of Commerce recommended for approval.

Commissioner.

August 25, 1916.

Commissioner of Lighthouses:

The Department is in receipt of the Eighteenth Inspector's letter of the 16th instant, forwarded by the Bureau on the 23rd instant, regarding the services of Richardson R. Turkington, engineer on light vessel No. 83. It is noted that Mr. Turkington is unable to satisfactorily perform the duties of his position owing to his advanced age and physical infirmities. In view of the Inspector's statement that effort will be made to transfer Mr. Turkington to another position where the duties are less exacting, the Department approves the recommendation that no action be taken in connection with Mr. Turkington's inefficiency at this time.

[SIGNED] E. F. SWEET

Acting Secretary.

C-R

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.

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LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

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OFFICE OF INSPECTOR, 18TH DISTRICT
CUSTOMHOUSE
SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.

Efficiency rating,
R.R.Turkington.

January 9, 1917.

Commissioner of Lighthouses:

1. Referring to Form 106 from this district for the period ending December 31, 1916, in which R. R. Turkington, Engineer of Blunts Reef Light Vessel No. 83, is reported below the standard of efficiency.

2. In connection with the efficiency of this employee, the Bureau's attention is invited to letter from this office dated January 11, 1916, transmitting Form 106, for the period ending December 31st, 1915 and to Bureau indorsement of May 8, 1916, on letter from this office dated April 25, relative to Mr. Turkington and also Mr. Burke, the Assistant Engineer of the vessel.

3. The efficiency of Mr. Burke is reported in a separate letter of this date.

4. The conditions remain the same as previously reported. The Engineer's services are unsatisfactory, on account of his advanced age and physical infirmities. Mr. Turkington does not desire to accept appointment on shore, as a lighthouse keeper, nor is he qualified physically to perform such duties. The license held by Joseph V. Watson, Assistant Engineer of San Francisco Light Vessel No. 70 does not entitle him to appointment as Engineer of Light Vessel No. 83, and, therefore, no exchange can be made among the engineer officers of light vessels in this district which would improve present conditions.

5. Consideration will be given whenever possible to recommending a transfer of one or both of the engineer officers on this vessel to other positions in order that an efficient engineer and assistant engineer may be secured for this vessel.

6. It is recommended that no action be taken in the matter at this time.

Rhodes.

CHIEF CLERK
JAN 30 1917
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APPOINTMENTS
JAN 30 1917
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APPOINTMENT DIVISION
NECESSARY
ACTION TAKEN
JAN 31 1917
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

HB-NDW Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington, January 26, 1917.

Submitted to Secretary of Commerce with recommendation for approval. The rating given this employee on Form 106 is 7/10 for quantity of work, fair for quality, fair for interest manifested, and it is stated that this employee is not fully earning his salary.

G R Putnam

January 31, 1917.

Commissioner of Lighthouses:

For the reasons stated in the Eighteenth Inspector's letter of the 9th instant, forwarded by the Bureau on the 26th instant, the Department approves the recommendation that no action be taken at this time in connection with the officiency rating of Richardson R. Turkington, engineer on light vessel No. 83.

SIGNED E. F. SWEET

Assistant Secretary.

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Form 73

NOMINATION

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, 18th DISTRICT,

San Francisco, Cal., April 7, 1917, 191
(City.) (Date.)

LIGHT HOUSES APR 12 1917

THE COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Action recommended, Transfer & demotion of

Name, Richardson R. Turkington — Legal residence, California

Position, Second Assistant Keeper — Salary, $540 per annum

Location, Cape Mendocino Lightstation, Cal. — Appropriation, Salaries of Keepers of Lighthouses

Effective April 20, 1917 — {~~the actual date of entrance on duty~~, or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty.

CHIEF CLERK APR 14 1917

APPOINTMENT DIVISION NECESSARY ACTION TAKEN APR 16 1917 DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Former position, Engineer — Former salary, $1260 per annum

Location, Blunts Reef Light Vessel No 83. California.

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

Previous incumbent, Perry S. Hunter — Services terminated, August 10, 1916

Reason, Resignation

Members of family in Government Service, None

Remarks: This transfer, involving a reduction in Mr Turkington's compensation, is made in accordance with his inclosed request.
Request notification by wire when appointment is made.

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

H. W. Rhodes.
Inspector

Secretary, Civil Service District.

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

APR 14 1917

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

H. B. Bowerman
Acting Commissioner

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

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Department of Commerce and Labor

APR -4 1917

LIGHT APR 12 1917 HOUSES

April 2, 1917.

To Capt. H. W. Rhodes,
Lighthouse Inspector, 18th District,
San Francisco, California.

Sir:

Thanking you for your communication of March 15th, I should be obliged if you would furnish me with copies of the complaints you refer to, together with the name of the person making each; so that I may have the opportunity of clearing them up at once, which I feel to be necessary for I am not now in a position to act upon what I know nothing about. Although I appreciate your suggestion, it seems inadvisable to follow it as I know of no reason requiring that course. It would, however, be agreeable to me to be transferred to another station or to shore duty, and I desire to make request herewith for such a change.

Immediately upon receipt, I proceeded to answer your letter and had my reply all written to put aboard the Topeka on her trip down, but she passed by without taking mail as she did also on her return trip, both ways. Such being the case, I concluded to take the opportunity to revise my reply, which I did.

Prior to this time, the adjustment of my truss had become faulty, causing extreme inconvenience and pain. Being temporarily disabled, I knew that the emergency would compel me to come down for immediate relief upon the Captain's return. Accordingly the situation was explained to him and request made for emergency sick leave, and the Captain gave me passage on the Topeka on March 31st. In view of this, I desire to request leave for ten days, until I get a new truss from New York, as indicated by the certificate of Dr. H. W. Crane enclosed herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

R R Durkington
Engr L 9/83

No. 205
Ed. 2-3-11—300,000

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April 4, 1917

LIGHT
APR 12 1917
HOUSES

Mr R.R.Turkington,
Engineer, Light Vessel No.83,
1326 Bancroft Way,
Berkeley, Cal.

Referring to your letter of April 2, requesting to be transferred to another station or shore duty.

You are advised that the only vacancy existing to which you could be transferred is that of second assistant keeper at the Cape Mendocino Light Station with pay at the rate of $540 per annum. There are quarters consisting of five rooms and bath at this station, with fuel and light furnished and a ration allowance of 30¢ per day.

You are requested to advise me immediately if you desire transfer to this position.

(Signed) H.W.Rhodes

Department of Commerce and Labor

LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
APR -7 1917
SAN FRANCISCO

APR -7 1917

April 6, 1917.

To Capt. H. W. Rhodes,
Lighthouse Inspector, 18th District,
San Francisco, California.

LIGHT
APR 12 1917
HOUSES

Sir:

Regarding my request for a transfer and your communication of the 4th inst., I appreciate your advising me of the vacancy existing. I have desired for some time to make a change and, as this position is the only one open at present, I wish to take this opportunity of doing so, trusting that I may receive consideration for advancement or any more favorable opening that might offer later, wherein my knowledge and experience might be called into service more.

I would like very much to talk with you about the duties of this position at Cape Mendocino Light Station, and the details of making the change.

Very respectfully yours,

R R Burkington
Engr

L V Blunt

No. 205
Ed. 2-3-11—300,000

Form 111

OATH OF OFFICE

(Prescribed by Section 1757, Revised Statutes)

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHT MAY 24 1917 HOUSES
LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR JUN -4 1917 SAN FRANCISCO

I, Richardson R. Turkington

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.

R.R. Turkington
(Appointee signs here)

LIGHT JUN 12 1917 HOUSES
LIGHT JUN 30 1917 HOUSES
CHIEF CLERK JUL 13 1917

[2] Sworn to (See below) and subscribed before me, this[3] 21st day of April, A. D. 1917

(Affix official seal here)

[4] (Name) C. H. Thompson.

(Official title) Clerk 18th Lighthouse District

Official Title	Rate of Pay	Name of Station, Vessel, or Place of Employment
Present 2nd Asst. Keeper	$540 per annum	Cape Mendocino Lightstation, Cal.
Former[5] Engineer	$1260 per annum	Blunts Reef Light Vessel No 83, Cal.

APPOINTMENTS JUN 27 1917

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

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, 18th DISTRICT

San Francisco, Cal., (Address), May 18, 1917 (Date)

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The above-named appointee entered upon duty on May 1, 1917 (Date)

CARDED.

H.W. Rhodes, Inspector
(Signature, followed by title)

[1] Insert here "swear" or "affirm," as the case may be.
[2] Insert here "sworn to" or "affirmed," as the case may be.
[3] The oath may be taken any time after the date of appointment and prior to the payment of compensation, but no compensation shall be paid until the oath is executed in proper form.
[4] This oath should be taken before a justice of the peace, notary public, judge, clerk of a court, or any other officer having authority to administer oaths, but never before a collector of customs, as he has no power to administer oaths in such cases. In case the officer administering the oath has no seal, his official character should be duly certified to by the clerk of the proper court or the proper county clerk.
[5] Give this information in all cases where new oath is required.
Failure to fill out this oath properly will result in its return for correction.

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ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHT NOV 15 1917 HOUSES

APPOINTMENT DIVISION NECESSARY ACTION TAKEN NOV 21 1917 DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

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OFFICE OF INSPECTOR, 18TH DISTRICT
CUSTOMHOUSE
SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.

CHIEF CLERK NOV 20 1917 5

APPOINTMENTS NOV 20 1917

Richardson R. Turkington:
leave without pay.

November 9, 1917

Commissioner of Lighthouses,

1. Inclosed is a request from Richardson R. Turkington, second assistant keeper Cape Mendocino Lightstation, California, $540 per annum, for leave without pay for a period of one month commencing October 17, 1917.

2. Mr Turkington makes this request owing to ill health, all annual and sick leave being exhausted, It is recommended that the requeat be granted.

H. W. Rhodes.
Inspector

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Bureau of Lighthouses,
November 19, 1917.

Submitted to Secretary of Commerce recommended for approval.
By direction of the Commissioner.

J S Clark
Chief Clerk.

APPROVED:

ASS'T.SECY. NOV 20 1917

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E. F. Sweet
Acting Secretary.

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APPOINTMENTS NOV 20 1917

1326 Bancroft Way, Berkeley, Cal.,

November 5th 1917

LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
NOV -8 1917
SAN FRANCISCO

LIGHT
NOV 15 1917
HOUSES

11/19/17 endorsement to Sec'y Commerce.

The Lighthouse Inspector,

San Francisco, Cal.,

Sir:-

Owing to illness, all authorized leave being exhausted, I respectfully request leave without pay for a period of one month, commencing October 17, 1917.

Respectfully,

R R Purkington

2nd Asst.Keeper, Cape Mendocino Lightstation, Cal.

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHT
NOV 12 1917
HOUSES

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR, 18TH DISTRICT
CUSTOMHOUSE
SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.

HWR-CHT

Richardson R. Turkington

November 4th 1917

APPOINTMENTS
NOV 20 1917

CHIEF CLERK
NOV 20 1917
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Commissioner of Lighthouses,

1. In compliance with Bureau request of May 14, 1917 on letter from this office of May 4, 1917, relative to the conduct of Richardson R. Turkington, formerly Engineer of Blunts Reef Light Vessel No 83, now second assistant keeper at Cape Mendocino Lightstation, California.

2. The Bureau is informed that Mr Turkington's conduct has been satisfactory since his assignment to duty at Cape Mendocino, and recommendation is made that no further action be taken in his case.

Rhodes -
Inspector

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Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington
November 19, 1917

Submitted to Secretary of Commerce for his information and recommended for approval.

G T Putnam
Commissioner

November 21, 1917.

Commissioner of Lighthouses:

For the reasons stated in the Eighteenth Inspector's letter of the 9th instant, and in accordance with the Bureau's recommendation of the 19th instant, the Department has granted one month's leave without pay to Richardson R. Turkington, second assistant keeper of Cape Mendocino Light Station, California, at $540 per annum, beginning October 17, 1917.

By direction of the Secretary:

SIGNED) GEO. C. HAVENNER

APPOINTMENT DIVISION ENTERED NOV 21 1917 BUREAU DEPT. OF COMMERCE

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November 21, 1917.

Commissioner of Lighthouses:

The Department is in receipt of the Eighteenth Inspector's letter of the 4th instant, forwarded by the Bureau on the 19th instant, reporting that the conduct of Richardson R. Turkington, formerly engineer on light vessel No. 83, has been satisfactory since his transfer to the position of second assistant keeper of Cape Mendocino Light Station, California, and approves the recommendation that no further action be taken in this case.

[SIGNED] E. F. SWEET

Acting Secretary.

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ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHT HOUSES NOV 22 1917

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR, 18TH DISTRICT
CUSTOMHOUSE
SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.

HWR-CHT

R.R.Turkington:
leave without pay.

November 17, 1917

CHIEF CLERK DEC 5 1917

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Commissioner of Lighthouses,

1. Inclosed is the request of Richardson R. Turkington, second assistant keeper Cape Mendocino Lightstation, California, $540 per annum, for an extension of leave without pay for a further period of one month commencing November 17, 1917.

DEPARTMENT DIVISION DEVELOPMENT ACTION TAKEN DEC 7 1917 DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

APPOINTMENTS DEC 5 1917

2. It is recommended that this request be approved owing to the continued disability of Mr Turkington, whose annual and sick leave has been exhausted.

CHIEF CLERK DEC 6 1917

H.W.Rhodes.
Inspector

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Bureau of Lighthouses, Wash.,D.C.,
December 3, 1917.

Submitted to Secretary of Commerce recommended for approval.

By direction of the Commissioner:

J S Clark
Chief Clerk.

APPROVED:

ASS'T.SECY. DEC 6 1917

E. F. Sweet
Acting Secretary.

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LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
NOV 17 1917
SAN FRANCISCO

LIGHT
NOV 22 1917
HOUSES

1226 Bancroft Way, Berkeley, Cal.,

November 17th 1917

The Lighthouse Inspector,

San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:-

Owing to continued ~~illness~~ disability I respectfully request an extension of leave without pay for a period of one month, commencing November 17, 1917.

Respectfully,

R R Burkington

2nd Asst.Keeper, Cape Mendocino Lightstation, Cal.

December 7, 1917.

Commissioner of Lighthouses:

In accordance with the Bureau's recommendation of the 3d instant, the Department has approved the application of Richardson R. Turkington, second assistant keeper of Cape Mendocino Light Station, California, for an extension of leave without pay for a period of one month beginning November 17, 1917.

By direction of the Secretary:

(SIGNED) E. W. LIBBEY

Acting Chief Clerk.

CANCELED.

APPOINTMENT DIVISION ENTERED DEC 8 1917 DEPT OF COMMERCE

DEC 7 1917

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHT
JAN 3 1918
HOUSES

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OFFICE OF INSPECTOR, 18TH DISTRICT
CUSTOMHOUSE
SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.

Subject: R. R. Turkington,
Leave Without Pay

Dec. 28, 1917

CHIEF CLERK
JAN 10 1918

Commissioner of Lighthouses

There is enclosed a request of Richardson R. Turkington, 2nd Assistant Keeper of Cape Mendocino Light Station, California, at $540.00 per annum, for an extension of leave without pay for a further period of eight days, commencing December 17th.

It is recommended that this request be approved, owing to the disability of Mr. Turkington, whose annual and sick leave have been exhausted.

In the absence and by direction of the Inspector

J. M. Wilson

APPOINTMENT DIVISION
NECESSARY
ACTION TAKEN
JAN 11 1918
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington.
Jan. 9, 1918.

Submitted to Secretary of Commerce recommended for approval.

By direction of the
Commissioner:

J. A. Clark
Chief Clerk.

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LIGHT
JAN 3 1918
HOUSES

Berkeley, California

December 17, 1917.

To Lighthouse Inspector 18th District

Sir:

I have endeavored to return to the Station before my leave of absence expired, but owing to my premature exertions to get around on my feet, I had a slight set back.

Therefore, I request a further extension of eight days.

Respectfully submitted,

R. R. Turkington, (Signed)
2nd Asst. Keeper,
Mendocino Light Station

USE TYPEWRITER—SEE INSTRUCTIONS ON BACK.

UNITED STATES
BUREAU OF EFFICIENCY.
FORM 8.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
BUREAU OF THE CENSUS.
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MAKE NO ENTRIES IN THIS COLUMN.

LIGHT HOUSES OCT 21 1916

RECORD OF CIVIL EMPLOYEE.

JULY 1, 1916.

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

Turkington, Richardson Robert

2. Department:

Commerce

3. Bureau, office, or service:

18th Lighthouse District

4. Designation of position:

Engineer, Blunts Reef L. V. 83

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

Chief Engineer

6. Annual earnings:

$1260.

7. Kind of appropriation:

LS

8. Present rate of pay:

$ AS

9. Initial rate of pay:

$800. P.A.

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

Years: 9

Months: 5

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

Ireland

12. Race:

W

13. Sex:

Male

14. Date of birth—

Month: January

Year: 1845

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

E6, H2

16. Marital condition:

M

17. War veteran?

No

18. Appointed from—

Congressional district and State: 3 California

County: Alameda

19. Civil service status:

C

20. Method by which classified status was obtained:

CE

21. Place of employment—

City: San Francisco

State: California

DO NOT FOLD THIS CARD.

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Form 111

OATH OF OFFICE

(Prescribed by Section 1757, Revised Statutes)

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

RECEIVED
DEC 14 1918
Lighthouse Inspector
SAN FRANCISCO

I, Richardson R. Turkington

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.

R R Turkington
(Appointee signs here)

LIGHT
DEC 26 1918
HOUSES

DEC 26 1918 TO 34 AM.

[2] Sworn to (See below) and subscribed before me, this [3] 10th day of December, A. D. 1918

(Affix official seal here)

[4] (Name) James Harp CHIEF CLERK

(Official title) Notary Public

1918 DEC 27 AM 11 44

My commission expires Mch 13 1922

Official Title	Rate of Pay	Name of Station, Vessel, or Place of Employment.
Present Keeper	$660 per annum	Cape Mendocino Lightstation, Cal.
Former [5] 2nd Asst.Keeper	$540 do	do

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

OFFICE OF LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR, 18th DISTRICT

San Francisco, Cal., ,
(Address) (Date)

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

IN THE ABSENCE AND BY DIRECTION OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

CARDED

H. J. Otter. 1st Asst. Supt.
(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.

11—944

January 15, 1919.

Sir:

In view of the fact that you have reached the age of 74 years and in accordance with the provisions of section 6 of the Act approved June 20, 1918, the Department, upon recommendation of the Commissioner of Lighthouses, has retired you from active duty in the Lighthouse Service with retired pay at the rate of $311.50 per annum, effective at the close of February 28, 1919.

Respectfully,

FOR BASIS OF THIS ACTION SEE LETTER DATED 12/20/18 IN FILE OF 809/4

RECEIVED ... DIVISION (INTERIOR) JAN 16 1919 DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

CARDED

...SIONER E. F. SWEE...

Acting Secretary.

Mr. Richard Parkington,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

18th District.

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January 16, 1919.

Commissioner of Lighthouses:

In accordance with recommendation of the Superintendent of the 18th District approved by the Bureau under date of the 9th instant, the Department has authorized the retirement from active duty of James Anderson, John H. Jeffrey, James Rankin, Henry Smith, Richard Turkington, John C. Lirme and John A. Russell.

In the cases of Richard Turkington and John A. Russell, the Department has fixed the retired pay at $311.50 and $733.75 respectively, in lieu of $252.50 per annum and $732.34 per annum respectively as recommended by the Superintendent, as it appears that Mr. Turkington's service amounts to 18 years, 1 month, in lieu of 11 years, 10 months, 28 days as reported by the Superintendent, it being believed that credit should be given for the six days leave without pay which he took in the year 1917. According to the Department's records the five year period in computing his retirement pay should begin on December 28, 1913, in lieu of January 1, 1914 as reported by the Superintendent.

In the other case it appears that Russell should be credited with service of 16 years, 1 month, including 3 years, 5 months in the Army, in lieu of 13 years, 18 days reported by the Superintendent.

[SIGNED] E. F. SWEET

Acting Secretary.

18th District.

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ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

CHIEF CLERK

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OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT, 18TH DISTRICT
CUSTOMHOUSE
SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
MAR 19 1930
APPOINTMENT DIVISION

March 10, 1930.

Commissioner of Lighthouses.

1. The Bureau is advised that Richardson R. Turkington, who was retired as (Second Assistant) Keeper, Cape Mendocino Light Station, on ~~January 16~~, Feb. 28, 1919, with compensation at the rate of $311.50 per annum, died on March 4, 1930.

For and in the absence of the Superintendent.

R. J. Otter

Assistant Superintendent.

3-19-30

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington
MAR 18 1930

Submitted to Secretary of Commerce for his information

W. P. Harman

Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses

APPOINTMENT DIVISION
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