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Name used in Service (Please Print – Last, First, Middle)	Service Number/SSN	Date & Place of Birth
Wallwork, John		1894

MILITARY SERVICE

Branch of Service:

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

Type of Rank:

- ☐ Enlisted
- ☐ Officer
- ☐ Unknown

Service Period (Check all that apply):

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

Date & Place of Death: 1924 NY

State of Residence (upon entry into service):

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

Researcher Signature: Andrew Burns

CIVILIAN SERVICE

(Agency & Location)		
Lighthouse Service (CT/NJ/NY) 3rd District		
From: 1924	To: 1924	
(Agency & Location)		
From:	To:	
(Agency & Location)		
From:	To:	

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

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John Wallwork

John Wallwork

LEGAL RESIDENCE
R. I.

INACTIVE

STATUS

DESIGNATION	SALARY	BUREAU OR OFFICE	DATE OF EFFECT OF ACTION AUTHORIZED
Keeper Prob. Orient S.B. L.S.S.Y.	780pa	L.H.	March 20, 1924
" " " "	840	"	April 21. 1924
Died		May 23, 1924	

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GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE

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NOMINATION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

FWO-JHG LIGHTHOUSES TELEGRAPH REPLY DESIRED

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OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES, 3rd DISTRICT

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Staten Island, N.Y. (City.) March 14, 1924 (Date.) 19

COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:
(Thr. Sec'y 2nd C. S.Dist.)

Action recommended, Probationary appointment.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE MAR 18 1924 APPOINTMENT DIVISION

U. S. CIVIL SERVICE DISTRICT REC'D MAR 15 1924

Name, John Wallwork — Legal residence, Rhode Island

Position, Keeper — Salary, $780.00 p.a.

Location, Orient Point Lt. Sta., N.Y. — Appropriation, Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses

Effective March 17, 1924 — ~~the actual date of entrance on duty~~, or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty.[1]

Former position, — Former salary,

Location,

Rank on eligible list, 1 — Rating, Keeper — Percentage, 87.0 — Other eligibles considered:

Charles S. Maxson....C. Joseph E. Bottomley....C.

Previous incumbent, Charles H. Chandler — Services terminated, March 15, 1924

Reason, Resigned

APPOINTMENT DIVISION NECESSARY ACTION TAKEN MAR 18 DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Members of family in Government Service, None

Date of birth, Feb. 28, 1894

Remarks: No employee of district desired transfer to this position. There are no quarters for families of keepers at this station. No. 2 on eligible list will accept appointment only at stations where family quarters are provided.

Selection regular, subject to the action of the U. S. Civil Service Commission. March 17, 1924

For and in the absence of the Superintendent

See letter of submittal

Assistant Secretary, 2nd Civil Service District.

1st Asst. Supt.

3/18/24

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved. MAR 18 1924

Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses.

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NOMINATION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHTHOUSES
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TELEGRAPHIC REPLY DESIRED

CHIEF CLERK
1924 MAR 15 PM 2 40

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES, 3rd DISTRICT.

Staten Island, N.Y. (City.) March 14, 1924 (Date.) 19

COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

(Thr. Sec'y 2nd C. S.Dist.)

Action recommended, Probationary appointment.

DEPT OF COMMERCE MAR 15 1924 DIVISION

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Effective March 17, 1924 — {'~~the actual date of entrance on duty~~, or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty.

Former position, — Former salary,

Location,

Rank on eligible list, 1 Rating, Keeper Percentage, 87.0, Other eligibles considered:

Charles S. Maxson....C. Joseph E. Bottomley....C.

Previous incumbent, Charles H. Chandler Services terminated, March 15, 1924

Reason, Resigned

Members of family in Government Service, None

Date of birth, Feb. 27, 1894

Remarks: No employee of District desired transfer to this position. There are no quarters for families of keepers at this station. No. 2 on eligible list will accept appointment only at stations where family quarters are provided.

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

For and in the absence of the Superintendent

This copy is forwarded in order that approval of the appointment recommended may be expedited.

F. W. Ockenfels

For & in the absence of the Supt.

1st Asst. Supt.

Secretary, Civil Service District.

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1st Asst. Supt.

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

MAR 15 1924

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

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J. S. CONWAY
Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses.

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CERTIFICATE OF PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

March 15, 1924.

Mr. John Wallwork,
Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

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

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

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

MAR 16 1924
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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

EDWD. J. HARTNETT

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Sd Acting Chief of Appointment Division.

Appropriation:
Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.
Vice:
Charles H. Chandler.
Legal Residence:
Rhode Island.

(Send reverse side.)

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OATH OF OFFICE

(Prescribed by Section 1757, Revised Statutes)

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHTHOUSES
CHIEF CLERK
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I, John Wallwork

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

John Wallwork
(Appointee signs here)

[2] Sworn (See below) and subscribed before me, this [3] 5th day of April, A. D. 1924

(Affix official seal here)

[4] (*Name*) Albert D Luce

(*Official title*) Notary Public

My commission expires March 30th 1925

Official Title	Rate of Pay	Name of Station, Vessel, or Place of Employment.
Present Keeper	$780 p.a.	Orient Point Lt.Sta., N.Y.
Former [5]		

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

Office of Superintendent of Lighthouses, 3rd District

Staten Island, N. Y. (Address), April 8 1924 (Date)

The above-named appointee entered upon duty on March 20 1924 (Date)

For and in the absence of the Superintendent

1st Asst. (Signature and official designation) Supt. 3rd Dist.

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

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
APR 7 1924
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NEW YORK, N.Y.

PERSONAL QUESTION SHEET

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APR 9 1924
APPOINTMENT DIVISION

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

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

PART I.

1. Name of employee: John Wallwork
2. Position to which appointed: Keeper
3. Bureau or Service: Lighthouse Service, District: 3rd
4. Place of duty: Orient Point Lt. Sta., N. Y. (City, town, station, or vessel.)
5. Salary: $780.00 per annum
6. Appropriation from which paid: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses
7. Manner of appointment. (Examples: "From stenographer and typewriter examination, ———, 19—;" "Without examination;" or "By reinstatement;" or "By transfer from ———." stating Department, Bureau or Service, position, and salary, if known).

From eligible list of keepers and assistant keepers dated March 12, 1924

PART II.

THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS ARE TO BE ANSWERED BY THE EMPLOYEE:

The statement should be signed by the employee, or, if unable to write, he may sign by mark in the presence of one witness.

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

Mr. John Wallwork

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

John Wallwork

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

Rhode Island (State or Territory.) Washington (County.) Westerly (City or town.) 2nd (Congressional district.)

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

Same

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

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6. Where were you born? Glasgow Scotland

7. When were you born? February (Month.) 27 (Day.) 1894 (Year.)

8. If foreign born, state when and where naturalization papers were taken out Voted & Registered my father papers

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

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

Mr. Wm Wallwork (Name.) 134 Main Street (Number and street.)

Westerly (City or town.) Rhode Island (State or Territory.)

11. Are there any members of your family, besides yourself, in the civil service of the United States? (Answer "yes" or "no.") No If so, state in blank spaces below the information called for by the headings.

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

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

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

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

Company and regiment, or vessel.	Date enlisted.	Date discharged.	Cause of discharge.
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15. If you served in the military or naval service of the United States other than during war time, indicate such service in the spaces below.

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

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

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

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

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Name under which soldier or sailor rendered service.	Relationship to you.	Company and regiment, or vessel.	Date enlisted.	Date discharged.	Cause of discharge.

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18. What was your occupation prior to entering the United States service? (It is intended that the answer to this question shall state briefly the lines of work followed by you before receiving your present appointment, with the exception of your service indicated in answer to questions 13, 14, 15, and 16.)

Commercial Salesman & Demonstrator.
Machinist, Cotton Worker.

19. What education have you received? (State the grades of schools you have attended, and, if you have attended schools of higher grade than high schools, give the institution, degrees received, and date in each case. Example: Public school; high school; business college; Cornell University, A. B., 1910; Columbia University, LL. B., 1913.)

~~Grammar School~~
Public School.

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

~~Mechanic~~

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

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

Date, March 31, 1924

Witness (in case signature is by mark):

(Signature) John Wallwork

(Present address) 134 Main St (Number and street.)

Westerly (City or town.) RI (State or Territory.)

INDORSEMENT.

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

Reviewed, approved, and forwarded April 8, 1924

For and in the absence of the Superintendent

(Signature) [signature]

1st Asst. Supt. of Lighthouses, 3rd Dist.

(Official title)

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Form 73

LIGHTHOUSES

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NOMINATION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES, Third DISTRICT.

Staten Island, N. Y., April 14, 1924.
(City.) (Date.)

CHIEF CLERK
APR 16 1924
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIV.

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COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Action recommended, Promotion

Name, John Wallwork — Legal residence, Rhode Island

Position, Keeper — Salary, $840 p.a.

Location, Orient Point Lt. Sta., N.Y. — Appropriation, Salaries, Keepers of Light houses

Effective April 21, 1924 — {~~the actual date of entrance on duty~~, or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty.

Former position, Keeper — Former salary, $780 p.a.

Location, Orient Point Lt. Sta., N.Y.

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

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Previous incumbent, John McCarthy — Services terminated, April 13, 1924

Reason, Died.

Members of family in Government Service,

Date of birth,

Remarks: Mr. Wallwork entered the service on March 20, 1924 as 2d Asst. Keeper of Orient Pt. L. S., and his promotion is recommended as he is the only employee in his grade at that station, and the vacancy to which promotion is proposed could not be foreseen at the time he was appointed. No other employee of District desired transfer to this position.

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

J. A. Yates

Secretary, Civil Service District.

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

APR 14 1924

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

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Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses.

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Form A-21

NOTICE OF CHANGE IN SALARY
KEEPERS—LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

April 16, 1924.

Mr. John Wallwork,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

You are advised that your salary as keeper in the Lighthouse Service has been changed from $ 780 per annum to $ 840 per annum, effective April 21, 1924, or as soon thereafter as you enter on duty.

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

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

APR 16 1924

EDW. J. GARDNER,

Acting Chief of Appointment Division.

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APPOINTMENT DIVISION ENTERED APR 16 1924 ON JOURNAL DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
MAY 28 1924
APPOINTMENT DIVISION.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
MAY 28 1924
APPOINTMENT DIVISION.

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St. George, S. I., N. Y. May 24th, 1924.

Lighthouse Commissioner,
Washington, D. C.

ASSISTANT KEEPER John WALLWORK AND MACHINIST WALTER GILL DROWNED AT ORIENT POINT LIGHT STATION MAY TWENTY THIRD LETTER FOLLOWS.

11:24 A.M. YATES

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LGJ Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington, D. C. May 24, 1924.

Submitted to Secretary of Commerce for his information. Further report will be submitted as soon as received from the Superintendent.

H. B. Bowerman
Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses.

NOTED: John H. Kerr
ACTING SECRETARY OF COMMERCE

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Form 93

NOTICE OF RESIGNATION OR DEATH

CHIEF CLERK
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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

1924 MAY 27 AM 9 29

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES, 3rd DISTRICT.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
MAY 28 1924
APPOINTMENT DIVISION.

Staten Island, N.Y. May 24, 1924

COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

The Bureau is advised of the death ~~Herewith is transmitted the resignation~~ of the following-named employee:

Name, John Wallwork — Position, Keeper

Legal residence, Rhode Island — Station, Orient Point Lt.Sta., N.Y.

Salary, $840.00 per annum

Mr. Wallwork died on May 23, 1924.

~~The acceptance of this resignation is recommended effective at the close of~~

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

Remarks:

APPOINTMENT DIVISION ENTERED MAY 29 1924 ON JOURNAL DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

5/28/24.

J. T. Tyler Actg.

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES

WASHINGTON

MAY 27 1924

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, ~~approved~~ for his information.

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Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses.

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May 26, 1924.

Superintendent of Lighthouses.

Subject: Accidental drowning of two men enroute to Orient Point Light Station.

1. In accordance with your orders I proceeded to New London and joined Hawthorn for passage to Orient Point Light Station to obtain information re the accidental drowning of machinist Gill and First Assistant Keeper John Wallwork.

2. Keeper Fraitas' account of the accident follows:-Wind freash S. W. Tide falling.

3. Assistant Keeper Wallwork left the station in the 12 foot round bottom boat to obtain mail and provisions; the boat was fully equipped with oars and row locks and was in good condition for the purpose, had four oars and rowlocks, it was considered to be a good chance for making the trip the landing was made at the customary place on beach nearest ~~point to the station, and the Assistant Keeper proceeded to the~~ Post Office and grocery store. While he was absent from the beach a man appeared on beach near boat, and it is supposed that seeing the station boat he believed that one of the keepers was on shore and he waited for his return which occurred at about 3 p.m. Daylight time.

4. Both men were seen to leave the shore in the boat and the Keeper noted that the boat was not taking the course usually followed in going to station from shore on the ebb tide, He tried to signal them to change their course but apparently the signals were not seen by the occupants of the boat as the course of the boat was not changed and it very soon became evident that the boat was in the tide rip and in great peril, and being rapidly carried past the station into Gardiners Bay; as the boat neared the station the men shouted for help and the Assistant Keeper began waving one of the oars to attract attention.

5. The keeper seeing that the boat was out of control and being swept away on the tide, telephoned the Orient Point Coast Guard Station for help and then launched the other station boat in order to attempt a rescue single handed. As he was lowering his boat he observed that the other boat was about 250 feet from the station and before his boat struck the water the other boat capsized. Keeper Freitas pulled his boat to as near as possible to the spot where accident occurred but the boat and the men had completely disappeared.

6. The Coast Guard boat arrived at the station about an hour after the accident and cruised around the vicinity for two hours without discovering any trace of men, boat or oars, and a motor boat in charge of Sergeant Reynolds from Fort Terry also made a search for about an hour without success.

7. Assistant Keeper Wallwork had made the trip between the station and shore a number of times in this boat and although he was a new man at this station he was considered to be a good and careful boatman.

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8. The Keeper stated that the boat had made the trip between Light Station and shore with three men in it when conditions were about the same as at time the accident occurred. As Machinist Gill was thoroughly posted regarding the tide rips and the necessity for avoiding them it is probable that some unforeseen condition arose after the boat left the shore, which led to the disaster.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
JUN 3 1924
APPOINTMENT DIVISION

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MAY 31 1924
APPOINTMENT DIVISION

9. The Hawthorn began a patrol of the Bay immediately after reporting to this office Saturday May 24 and was to continue until Monday night in an effort to find the bodies of the missing men.

Respectfully submitted.

(Signed) O. C. Luther
Assistant Superintendent.

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Office of Superintendent of Lighthouses.
Staten Island, N. Y., May 26, 1924.

Copy forwarded to Commissioner together with copy of letter of May 23rd, from the keeper of Orient Point Light Station and copy of letter of May 25th from the Master of the Lighthouse Tender Hawthorn.

(Signed) J. T. Yates
Superintendent.

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Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington, D. C., May 29, 1924.
Submitted to Secretary of Commerce for his information, attention being invited to Bureau indorsement of May 24, 1924, on 3d Superintendent's telegram of May 24.

Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses.

NOTED:

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ACTING SECRETARY OF COMMERCE

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
Lighthouse Service

General Depot
Office Supt. of Lighthouses
3d Dist., Staten Is. N.Y.
May 25,1924.

Superintendent,
Staten Island, N. Y.

Subject: Orient Point Light.

I beg to report that Mr. Luther Assistant Superintendent arrived aboard the Hawthorn at 3:40 A.M. May 24th at 3:55 A.M. the Hawthorn left N.L. arrived at Orient Point Light at 5:55 A.M. Mr. Luther investigated and then the Tender proceeded to Greenport landed Mr. Luther - received orders from Supt. and left again at 12:30 A.M. -returned to Gardiners Bay - as the wind had steadily increased until it reached galeforce. The search was restricted to the tender as it was impossible to use the launches owing to the heavy sea. At 8 P.M. the Hawthorn tied up at Sag Harbor - darkness prohibiting further search for that day.

7 A.M. May 25th, left Sag Harbor searched beach between Orient Point and Long Beach Bar with launches. Met the keeper of Plum Island Light who informed me that the Commanding Officer of Fort Wright Fisher Isl. reported a Lighthouse Boat found bottom up by a Mr. Hedge, of Fishers Island and the boat was now in the West Harbor. Proceeded to West Harbor - Fisher Island and found the boat, round bottom - No. 329 with bridle and one oar. Mr. Hedge informed me that he found the boat bottom up just about one mile east of Race Point on Fisher Island. After recovering the boat I proceeded to Silvers Eel Pond - Fort Wright Harbor - requested permission from the officer in charge and searched the South Beach of Fishers Island,for four miles two miles either side of the place and boat was found. Then I requested the Captains of both Fishers Island and Watch Hill Life Saving Stations to look out and report to you and the New London Depot if the bodies of the lost men are found. The Captains of the Life Saving Stations were very courteous and promised to be on watch and to notify the adjoining Coast Guard Stations. Tomorrow I will finish searching the South Shore of Plum Island. All the keepers in Gardiners Bay have been requested to be on the lookout and to report if anything is found.

The boat #329 found and recovered by the Hawthorn is the boat lost at Orient Point Light, the keeper of Orient Point Light furnished me with the number of the lost boat.

In accordance with your orders, I landed a Quartermaster of this tender on Orient Point Light to assist the keeper of the Light until relieved.

The Hawthorn will meet the train tomorrow Monday, noon at Greenport to take machinist to Orient Point Light.

(Signed) John H. Kuhne,
Master, LHS.

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Orient Point Light Station,
May 23rd, 1924.

Superintendent of Lighthouses,
Tompkinsville, N. Y.

SUBJECT: The 1st Assistant and Mr. Gill being lost at sea or drowned.

The 1st Ass't. left the station at 2 p.m. for mail and provisions and in returning he had Mr. Gill in the boat and instead of going around the rip he cut through it and tried to buck the tide with the result that the tide took him and pushed him to the rip again in a bad place which swamped the boat. I lowered the sail boat after calling the Coast Guard and rowed out about to where I thought they were and I could not see them or the boat either.

The Coast Guard patrolled the waters for about two hours and could not see a sign of them.

I had another boat from Plum Island (Sergeant Renold's) and he was out for about one and one half hours and he did not see them. The water was pretty choppy around and east of the rip. I think that the boat capsized when I was lowering the sail boat.

(Signed) M. J. Freitas, Jr.
Keeper.

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
STATEN ISLAND, N.Y.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHTHOUSES
GENERAL DEPOT
OFFICE SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
3D DISTRICT, STATEN ISLAND, N.Y.
1924 MAY 26 AM 9 01

JTY:ER

John Wallbank

May 24th, 1924.

Commissioner of Lighthouses:

CHIEF CLERK
1924 JUN 5 AM 11 00

SUBJECT: Drowning of Assistant Keeper and Machinist at Orient Point Light.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
JUN 5 1924
APPOINTMENT DIVISION.

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3. This station is equipped with a 12 foot boat and a 14 foot boat.

J. F. Myers
Superintendent.

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington
JUN 4 - 1924

Enclosures
Submitted to Secretary of Commerce for his information

S. Conway
Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
Lighthouse Service

General Depot
Office Supt. of Lighthouses
3d Dist., Staten Island, N.Y.
May 24, 1924.

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(Signed) J. T. Yates.
Superintendent.

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WESTERN UNION TELEGRAM

Received at: St. George, Staten Island, N. Y.

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TDA Greenport N. Y. 645 P May 23 1924

Superintendent Third Lighthouse District

S I NY

Light Keeper Wallwork and Mechanic swamped in boat and lost

(Signed) Freibas
Keeper

CROSS REFERENCE.

LIGHT-HOUS

John Wadlwork Keeper $ 840 Prom. 4/16/24 Eff. 4/21/24

See file Louis P. Brown or
Stephen Holm

EK

Washington D C Mar. 18

Lighthouse Superintendent Saint George N Y

John

Appointment, Wallwork approved

Putnam

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orient pt.
dept. please
dr RK 3/18

Commissioner of Lighthouses

To dept. operator RK
12,35 R. VRV 3/18/24
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LIGHTHOUSES

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

1924 MAY 24 AM 11 59

TELEGRAM

St George, S.I., N.Y., May 24th., 1924.

Lighthouse Commissioner,

Washington, D.C.

Assistant keeper Wallwork and machinist Walter Gill drowned at Orient-Point light station May twenty third letter follows.

Yates.

reference in mail file

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Mar. Engr.
Law
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adv Dept
MM
May 24

11:24 A.M.

LGJ Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington, D. C. May 24, 1924.

Submitted to Secretary of Commerce for his information. Further report will be submitted as soon as received from the Superintendent.

H. B. BOWERMAN
Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses.

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
STATEN ISLAND, N. Y.

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LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

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for reference in research

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Admin Asst
Insp. Comm.
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GENERAL DEPOT
OFFICE SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
3D DISTRICT, STATEN ISLAND, N. Y.

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Commissioner of Lighthouses:

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Superintendent.

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington
JUN 4 - 1924

Inclosures
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J. S. CONWAY
Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses.

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STATEN ISLAND, N. Y.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

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3D DISTRICT, STATEN ISLAND, N. Y.

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Superintendent.

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SUPERINTENDENT THIRD LIGHTHOUSE DISTRICT.

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LIGHTHOUSES

1924 MAY 27 AM 9 29

May 26, 1924.

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Cons.

To Dept
wrote
pp
May 27

Superintendent of Lighthouses.

SUBJECT: Accidental drowning of two men enroute to Orient Point Light Station.

1. In accordance with your orders I proceeded to New London and joined Hawthorn for passage to Orient Point Light Station to obtain information re the accidental drowning of machinist Gill and First Assistant Keeper John Wallwork.

2. Keeper Freitas' account of the accident follows:- Wind fresh S.W. Tide falling.

3. Assistant Keeper Wallwork left the station in the 12 foot round bottom boat to obtain mail and provisions; the boat was fully equipped with oars and row locks and was in good condition for the purpose, had four oars and rowlocks. it was considered to be a good chance for making the trip. the landing was made at the customary place on beach nearest point to the station, and the Assistant Keeper proceeded to the Post Office and grocery store. While he was absent from the beach a man appeared on beach near boat, and it is supposed that seeing the station boat he believed that one of the keepers was on shore and he waited for his return which occurred at about 3 p.m. Daylight time.

4. Both men were seen to leave the shore in the boat and the Keeper noted that the boat was not taking the course usually followed in going to station from shore on the ebb tide. He tried to signal them to change their course but apparently the signals were not seen by the occupants of the boat as the course of the boat was not changed and it very soon became evident that the boat was in the tide rip and in great peril, and being rapidly carried past the station into Gardiners Bay; as the boat neared the station the men shouted for help and the Assistant Keeper began waving one of the oars to attract attention.

5. The keeper seeing that the boat was out of control and being swept away on the tide, telephoned the Orient Point Coast Guard Station for help and then launched the other station boat in order to attempt a rescue single handed. As he was lowering his boat he observed that the other boat was about 250 feet from the station and before his boat struck the water the other boat capsized. Keeper Freitas pulled his boat to as near as

possible to the spot where accident occurred but the boat and the men had completely disappeared.

6. The Coast Guard boat arrived at the station about an hour after the accident and cruised around the vicinity for two hours without discovering any trace of men, boat or oars, and a motor boat in charge of Sergeant Reynolds from Port Terry also made a search for about an hour without success.

7. Assistant Keeper Wallwork had made the trip between the station and shore a number of times in this boat and although he was a new man at this station he was considered to be a good and careful boatman.

8. The Keeper stated that the boat had made the trip between Light Station and shore with three men in it when conditions were about the same as at time the accident occurred. As Machinist Gill was thoroughly posted regarding the tide rips and the necessity for avoiding them it is probable that some unforeseen condition arose after the boat left the shore, which led to the disaster.

9. The Hawthorn began a patrol of the Bay immediately after reporting to this office Saturday May 24 and was to continue until Monday night in an effort to find the bodies of the missing men.

Respectfully submitted.

O.C. LUTHER

Assistant Superintendent.

JTY:ER

Office of Superintendent of Lighthouses.
Staten Island, N.Y. May 26, 1924.

Copy forwarded to commission together with copy of letter of May 23rd, from the keeper of Orient Point Light Station and copy of letter of May 25th from the Master of the Lighthouse Tender Hawthorn.

J. T. Yates

Superintendent.

EK Enclosures

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington, D. C., May 29, 1924.
Submitted to Secretary of Commerce for his information, attention being invited to Bureau indorsement of May 24, 1924, on 3d Superintendent's telegram of May 24.

J. S. CONWAY

Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses.

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STATEN ISLAND, N. Y.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

1924 MAY 27 AM 9 29

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GENERAL DEPOT
OFFICE SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
3D DISTRICT, STATEN ISLAND, N. Y.

TENDER -HAWTHORN

May 25th, 1924.

Superintendent,
Staten Island, N. Y.

SUBJECT: Orient Point Light.

I beg to report that Mr. Luther Assistant Superintendent arrived aboard the Hawthorn at 3:40 A. M. May 24th at 3:55 A.M. the Hawthorn left N. L. arrived at Orient Point Light at 5:55 A.M. Mr.Luther investigated and then the Tender proceeded to Greenport landed Mr. Luther - received orders from Supt. and left again at 12:30 A. M. - returned to Gardiners Bay - as the wind had steadily increased until it reached galeforce. The search was restricted to the tender as it was impossible to use the launches owing to the heavy sea. At 8 P.M. the Hawthorn tied up at Sag Harbor - darkness prohibiting further search for that day.

7 A.M. May 25th, left Sag Harbor searched beach between Orient Point and Long Beach Bar with Launches. Met the keeper of Plum Island Light who informed me that the Commanding Officer of Fort Wright Fisher Isl. reported a Lighthouse Boat found bottom up by a Mr. Hedge, of Fishers Island and the the boat was now in the West Harbor. Proceeded to West Harbor - Fisher Island and found the boat, round bottom - No. 329 with bridle and one oar. Mr. Hedge informed me that he found the boat bottom up just about one mile east of Race Point on Fisher Island. After recovering the boat I proceeded to Silvers Eel Pond - Fort Wright Harbor - requested permission from the officer in charge and searched the South Beach of Fishers Island, for four miles two miles either side of the place the boat was found. Then I requested the Captains of both Fishers Island and Watch Hill Life Saving Stations to look out and report to you and the New London Depot if the bodies of the lost men are found. The Captains of the Life Saving Stations were very courteous and promised to be on watch and to notify the adjoining Coast Guard Stations. Tomorrow I will finish searching the South Shore of Plum Island. All the keepers in Gardiners Bay have been requested to be on the lookout and to report if anything is found.

The boat #329 found and recovered by the Hawthorn is the boat lost at Orient Point Light, the keeper of Orient Point Light furnished me with the number of the lost boat.

In accordance with your orders, I landed a Quartermaster of this tender on Orient Point Light to assist the keeper of the Light until relieved.

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STATEN ISLAND, N. Y.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

2.

GENERAL DEPOT
OFFICE SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
3D DISTRICT, STATEN ISLAND, N. Y.

The Hawthorn will meet the train tomorrow Monday, noon at Greenport to take machinist to Orient point Light.

John H. Kuhne, (Signed)
Master, L. H. S.

LIGHTHOUSES

1924 MAY 27 AM 9 29

Orient Point Light Station,
May 23rd, 1924.

Superintendent of Lighthouses,
Tompkinsville, N. Y.

SUBJECT: The 1st Assistant and Mr. Gill being lost at sea or drowned.

The 1st Ass't. left the station at 2 p.m. for mail and provisions and in returning he had Mr. Gill in the boat and instead of going around the rip he cut through it and tried to buck the tide with the result that the tide took him and pushed him to the rip again in a bad place which swamped the boat. I lowered the sail boat after calling the Coast Guard and rowed out about to where I thought they were and I could not see them or the boat either.

The Coast Guard patrolled the waters for about two hours and could not see a sign of them.

I had another boat from Plum Island (Sergeant Renold's) and he was out for about one and one half hours and he did not see them. The water was pretty choppy around and east of the rip. I think that the boat capsized when I was lowering the sail boat.

M. J. Freitas, Jr.
Keeper.

In replying address
Commissioner of Lighthouses

and refer to date of this letter
and file No.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
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Superintendent of Lighthouses, Staten Island, N. Y.

1. Referring to your letter of May 24, 1924, regarding the drowning of Assistant Keeper Wallwork and Machinist Gill: reference in Misc. file

2. You are requested to report this matter to the U. S. Employees' Compensation Commission if you have not already done so.

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J. S. CONWAY

Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Staten Island, New York.
June 6,1924.

Return to Commissioner:

1. The necessary reports were forwarded to the United States Employees' Compensation Commission on May 29, 1924.

J. C. Keel

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
Lighthouse Service

General Depot
Office Supt. of Lighthouses,
3rd dist.Staten Island, N.Y.

June 9, 1924.

Commissioner:

SUBJECT: Payment for services John Wallwork, 1st Asst. Keeper, Orient Point Lt. Sta., Orient Point, N. Y.

Transmitted herewith for approval by the General Accounting Office, is voucher in the amount of $79.35, payment of later John Wallwork, as 1st Asst. Keeper, Orient Point Light Station, for the period May 1st to May 23rd, 1924.

(sgd) J. T. Yates,

Superintendent.

ER Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington, D.C. June 12, 1924.
2 inclos.
Referred to the Disbursing Clerk, Commerce, for forwarding to the Comptroller General of the United States for approval if in proper form.

H. B. BOWERMAN

Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses.

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23 February 1926

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U. S. Light House Service
Bureau of Navigation
Department of Commerce
Washington, D.C.

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SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
FEB 26 1926
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TOMPKINSVILLE

Re: WALLWORK, John (Deceased).

Gentlemen:

The enclosed letter from the Red Cross Chapter at Westerly, Rhode Island, under date of February 19, is self explanatory.

Will you kindly submit to this office a statement relative to the death of the aforenamed man, as requested?

Very truly yours,

S. D. Hart

S. D. Hart, Lt. Comdr. (MC) U.S.Navy
Director, Bureau of Naval Affairs
American Red Cross

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington
FEB 25 1926.

Inclosure
To Superintendent of Lighthouses, Staten Island, N. Y.,
for remark and return,

H. B. BOWERMAN
Acting Commissioner.

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FOUNDED TO AID IN THE PREVENTION AND ALLEVIATION OF HUMAN SUFFERING IN TIMES OF WAR AND PEACE

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WESTERLY CHAPTER
HOME SERVICE SECTION
43 HIGH STREET
WESTERLY, RHODE ISLAND

LUCY M. CROWLEY, EXECUTIVE SECRETARY
OFFICE HOURS:
2 TO 5 P. M. WEEK DAYS
9 TO 12 A. M. SATURDAYS
TELEPHONE 3656

SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
FEB 26 1926
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TOMPKINSVILLE, N.Y.

February 19 1926

Re- John Wallwork(deceased)

A.R.C. MAIL ROOM
RECEIVED
FEB 23 1926
Referred to Hart

Lt., Comdr., Hart, Director,
Bureau of Naval Affairs
American Red Cross
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

The above named man was drowned September 1924 while in the Service of the Light House at Orient Point L.I. His body was never recovered so we are unable to obtain a death certificate for use in the claim for Adjusted Compensation for his father.

We have been advised that an official statement from the Light House Service will be necessary before the claim can be adjusted. Will it be possible to obtain a statement from the Light House Service giving date of death and any other information which will assist in this claim?

FILES SEARCHED	FOUND	NOT FOUND
Open File (1926)		MT
Closed File (1924 - 6)		MT
Case File for 1923		
Chairman's Case File		
Permanent Case File		
Casualty Case File		

Yours very truly

Lucy M Crowley

(Miss) Lucy Crowley, Ex Sec

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LIGHTHOUSES

GENERAL DEPOT
OFFICE SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES

February 25, 1926.

Lt. Commander S. D. Hart, Director,
Bureau of Naval Affairs,
American Red Cross,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

1. Referring to your letter of February 23, 1926, inclosing one from Miss Lucy Crowley, Executive Secretary, American Red Cross, Westerly, Rhode Island, regarding the drowning of John Wallwork;

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

Respectfully,

H. B. BOWERMAN

Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses.

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STATEN ISLAND, N.Y.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

WJL: JMAL

3/21/26 note-Hart
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LIGHTHOUSES
1926 MAR 1 AM 9 21

GENERAL DEPOT
OFFICE SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
3D DISTRICT, STATEN ISLAND, N. Y.

February 27, 1926.

Returned to Commissioner.

SUBJECT: John Wallwork, Former Keeper, Orient Point Light Station.

REFERENCE: Bureau's endorsement February 25, 1926, forwarding letter of February 23rd and letter of February 19th from the Red Cross.

John Wallwork was formerly Assistant Keeper of Orient Point Light Station. He was drowned on May 23, 1924, while enroute to the station in a Government rowboat. Full particulars concerning this case were given in the report of Assistant Superintendent Luther dated May 26, 1924, copy of which was forwarded to the Bureau on that date.

J. T. Yates
Supt

Ten give statement facts of
death to Red Cross — copy to
3d (Employ comp contradicts
are paying # 30 a mo to factor.
Orient Pt was not transferred to
navy not entitled to adjusted comp
unless had other proper services)

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March 4, 1926.

Lt. Commander S. D. Hart, Director,
Bureau of Naval Affairs,
American Red Cross,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

1. In further reference to your letter of February 23, requesting a statement in regard to the death of John Wallwork;

2. The records of this Service show that Mr. Wallwork was formerly an assistant keeper at Orient Point Light Station, and that he was drowned on May 23, 1924, while enroute to the station with provisions. It is understood that the U. S. Employees' Compensation Commission adjusted a claim and that compensation in the amount of $20.00 per month is being paid to Mr. Wallwork's father.

Respectfully,

G. R. PUTNAM

Commissioner of Lighthouses.

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

Form SS-73 CS.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE



PERSONAL QUESTION SHEET

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

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

PART I.

1. Name of employee: John Wallwork

2. Position to which appointed: Keeper

3. Bureau or Service: Lighthouse Service, District: 3rd

4. Place of duty: Orient Point Lt. Sta., N.Y.
(City, town, station, or vessel.)

5. Salary: $780.00 per annum

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

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

From eligible list of keepers and assistant keepers dated March 12, 1924

PART II.

THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS ARE TO BE ANSWERED BY THE EMPLOYEE:

The statement should be signed by the employee, or, if unable to write, he may sign by mark in the presence of one witness.

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

Mr. John Wallwork

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

John Wallwork

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

Rhode Island (State or Territory.) Washington (County.) Westerly (City or town.) 2nd (Congressional district.)

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

Same

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

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6. Where were you born? Glasgow, Scotland

7. When were you born? February (Month) 27 (Day.) 1894 (Year.)

8. If foreign born, state when and where naturalization papers were taken out Voted & Registered through my father & myself

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

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

Mr. W^m Wallbank (Name.) 134 Main St (Number and street.)

Westerly (City or town.) Rhode Island (State or Territory.)

11. Are there any members of your family, besides yourself, in the civil service of the United States? (Answer "yes" or "no.") No If so, state in blank spaces below the information called for by the headings.

Name.	Post-office address.	Position and department or office in which employed.	Relationship.	Married or single.
		Position / Department or office		
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12. Have you any physical disabilities? (Answer "yes" or "no.") No If so, describe fully. (If you have defective eyesight, state whether corrected by glasses.)

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

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

Company and regiment, or vessel.	Date enlisted.	Date discharged.	Cause of discharge.
Med. Det. 1st Communications	Oct. 10, 1917	Sept. 26, 1919	Demobilization.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

18. What was your occupation prior to entering the United States service? (It is intended that the answer to this question shall state briefly the lines of work followed by you before receiving your present appointment, with the exception of your service indicated in answer to questions 13, 14, 15, and 16.)

Commercial Salesman & Demonstrator.
Machinist & Cotton Mill worker.

19. What education have you received? (State the grades of schools you have attended, and, if you have attended schools of higher grade than high schools, give the institution, degrees received, and date in each case. Example: Public school; high school; business college; Cornell University, A. B., 1910; Columbia University, LL. B., 1913.)

Public School.

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

Machinist

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

Light Keepers 3/12/24

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

Date, March 31, 1924

Witness (in case signature is by mark):

(Signature) John Wallwork

(Present address) 134 Main St (Number and street.)

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

INDORSEMENT.

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

Reviewed, approved, and forwarded April 8, 1924

For and in the absence of the Superintendet F. W. Ockenhouse

(Signature)

1st Asst. Supt. of Lighthouses, 3rd Dist.

(Official title)

11—6922

(COPY)

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

RG-EK

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES

WASHINGTON

March 4, 1926.

Lt. Commander S. D. Hart, Director,
Bureau of Naval Affairs,
American Red Cross,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

1. In further reference to your letter of February 23, requesting a statement in regard to the death of John Wallwork:

2. The records of this Service show that Mr. Wallwork was formerly an assistant keeper at Orient Point Light Station, and that he was drowned on May 23, 1924, while enroute to the station with provisions. It is understood that the U. S. Employees' Compensation Commission adjusted a claim and that compensation in the amount of $20.00 per month is being paid to Mr. Wallwork's father.

Respectfully,

(Signed) G. R. PUTNAM

Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Bureau of Lighthouses, Wash., Copy to 3d Supt.

WJL:JMAL

(73)

February 27, 1926.

Returned to Commissioner.

SUBJECT: John Wallwork, Former Keeper, Orient Point Light Station.

REFERENCE: Bureau's endorsement February 25, 1926, forwarding letter of February 23rd and letter of February 19th from the Red Cross.

John Wallwork was formerly Assistant Keeper of Orient Point Light Station. He was drowned on May 23, 1924, while enroute to the station in a Government rowboat. Full particulars concerning this case were given in the report of Assistant Superintendent Luther dated May 26, 1924, copy of which was forwarded to the Bureau on that date.

J. T. YATES.

(Copy)-JMAL

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THE AMERICAN RED CROSS

National Headquarters

Washington, D.C.

23 February 1926.

U. S. Lighthouse Service,
Bureau of Navigation,
Department of Commerce,
Washington, D.C.

Re: WALLWORK, John (Deceased).

Gentlemen:

The enclosed letter from the Red Cross Chapter at Westerly, Rhode Island, under date of February 19, is self explanatory.

Will you kindly submit to this office a statement relative to the death of the aforenamed man, as requested?

Very truly yours,

S. D. HART,

S.D.Hart, Lt.Comdr. (MC) U.S.Navy
Director, Bureau of Naval Affairs,
American Red Cross.

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Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington,
Feb. 25, 1926.

To Superintendent of Lighthouses, Staten Island, N.Y., for remark and return.

H. B. BOWERMAN, WPH
Acting Commissioner.

Inclosure.

(Copy)-JMAL

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AMERICAN RED CROSS
Westerly Chapter,
Home Service Section
43 High Street,
Westerly, Rhode Island.

February 19, 1926.

Lt. Comdr., Hart, Director,
Bureau of Naval Affairs,
American Red Cross,
Washington, D.C.

Re-John Wallrock (deceased)

Dear Sir:-

The above named man was drowned September 1924 while in the Service of the Light House at Orient Point, L.I. His body was never recovered so we are unable to obtain a death certificate for use in the claim for Adjusted Compensation for his father.

We have been advised that an official statement from the Light House Service will be necessary before the claim can be adjusted. Will it be possible to obtain a statement from the Light House Service giving date of death and any other information which will assist in this claim?

Yours very truly,

(Sgd.) LUCY M. CROWLEY,

(Miss) Lucy Crowley, Ex Sec.

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
STATEN ISLAND, N.Y.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
JUN 30 1924
RECEIVED
STAPLETON, N.Y.

W.H.:C.F.C.

GENERAL DEPOT
OFFICE SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
3D DISTRICT, STATEN ISLAND, N.Y.

June 27, 1924.

William Wallwork,
193 Mechanic St.,
Westerly, R. I.

SUBJECT : Payment of salary due the late John Wallwork.

REFERENCE: Previous correspondence.

Sir:-

Instructions have been received at this office from the authorities at Washington to pay salary due on account of services rendered by the late John Wallwork to William Wallwork and Hannah Wallwork. The voucher which you previously submitted is, therefore, returned herewith the request that you have Hannah Wallwork sign the voucher on the line under your signature where checked and return the voucher to this office, after which check will be forwarded.

Respectfully,

J. T. Yates

Superintendent.

IN REPLYING ADDRESS
COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES
AND REFER TO DATE OF THIS LETTER
AND FILE NO 474

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES

WASHINGTON Juen 25, 1924.

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SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
JUN 27 1924
RECEIVED
TOMPKINSVILLE, N.Y.

SUBJECT: Estate John Wallwork, vchr. $79.35, 3rd Supt's let. 6/9/24.

Returned to Superintendent of Lighthouses, Staten Island, N. Y., together with approval of affidavit by the Comptroller General. Be guided accordingly.

(Signed) J. S. CONWAY

Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses.

C O P Y - (P-S)

In replying address
Commissioner of Lighthouses
and refer to date of this letter
and file No. 474
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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
Bureau of Lighthouses
Washington

June 25, 1924.

SUBJECT: Estate John Wallwork, vchr. $79.35, 3rd Supt's let.6/9/24.

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(Sgd) J. S. Conway
Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Wm

~~JOHN~~ WALLWORK

Groceries, Confectionery & Cigars

193 Mechanic ~~134 MAIN~~ STREET

WESTERLY, R.I.

6/24/24

Mr Yates

Dear Sir

I Thought i would write a line to you about my Son John Pay which i know it was due on the First i have filled out all the papers which have been sent to me & have not received a answer yet & we are sorry that the Body has not been recovered up to date my Wife has been Sick for over 6 months & She this morning all the time about John & i have not worked for over 12 weeks on account of my wife being sick i hope you will let me know about this and i also hope they are on the Lookout for John & Walter Gill which i know his wife will be thinking the Same has we are hoping You will inform me about his Pay

I Remain Yours Truly Wm

WJL:CL

June 25, 1924.

Wm. Wallwork,
193 Mechanic Street,
Westerly, R. I.

SUBJECT: Salary due on account of services rendered by John Wallwork.

REFERENCE: Your letter of June 24, 1924.

Sir:

The papers for authority for apyment of salary due on account of services rendered by the late John Wallwork have been forwarded to the authorities at Washington. As soon as authorized, payment will be promptly made.

Respectfully,

J. [illegible]

Superintendent.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
Office of the Disbursing Clerk
Washington

June 14, 1924.

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Respectfully referred to the Comptroller General, General Accounting Office, for approval of the attached affidavit covering services of John Wallwork, deceased, formerly an employee of the Bureau of Lighthouses, this Department.

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(Sgd) D. A. Heyes
Acting Disbursing Clerk.

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CV-811 June 21,1924

General Accounting Office, Claims Division, Washington, D.C.
To: D. A. Huyser, Acting Disbursing Clerk, Department of Commerce, Washington, D.C.

Returned. On the evidence herein submitted, payment of the within voucher, amounting to $79.35, stated to be due the estate of John Wallwork, deceased, may if correct and ~ legal charge against the United States be made to William Wallwork and Hannah Wallwork, parents of the decedent.

J.R. McCarl,
Comptroller General,

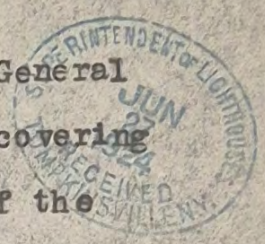
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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
Office of the Disbursing Clerk
Washington

June 14, 1924.

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(Sgd) D. A. Heyes
Acting Disbursing Clerk.

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J.R. McCarl,
Comptroller General,

By (Sgd) W L Newhart

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Form 93

FWO-JHG

NOTICE OF RESIGNATION OR DEATH

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES, 3rd DISTRICT,

Staten Island, N.Y. May 24, 1924, 19

COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

~~Herewith is transmitted the resignation~~ The Bureau is advised of the death of the following-named employee:

Name, John Wallwork

Position, Keeper

Legal residence, Rhode Island

Station, Orient Point Lt.Sta., N.Y.

Salary, $840.00 per annum

Mr. Wallwork died on May 23, 1924.

~~The acceptance of this resignation is recommended effective at the close of~~

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

Remarks:

J. T. Yates

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES

WASHINGTON

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

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

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

THIRD DISTRICT

Quintard Pavilion N.Y.
(Station, Depot, or Vessel)

May 14, 1924

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RECEIVED MAY 14 1924 LIGHTHOUSES TOMPKINSVILLE, N.Y.

Drowned 5-23-24

X Barber Point N.Y. - Keeper
X Beaver tail R.I. - Keeper or 1st Assistant
X Bergen Point N.J. - Keeper
X Block Island N. R.I. - Keeper
X Borden Flats R.I. - Keeper
X Bridgeport Harbor Conn. - Keeper
X Burlington Bkw. Vt. - Keeper
X Cedar Island N.Y. - Keeper
X Crown Point N.Y. - Keeper
X Dutch Island R.I. - Keeper
X X Fort Wadsworth N.Y. - Keeper or 1st Assistant
X Gould Island R.I. - Keeper
X Isle La Motte Vt. - Keeper
X Juniper Island Vt. - Keeper J. Wallwork
X Lime Rock R.I. - Keeper
X Lloyd Hbr. N.Y. - Keeper
X Long Beach Bar N.Y. - Keeper
X Newport Harbor R.I. - Keeper
X No. Dumpling N.Y. - Keeper
X Point Au. Roche N.Y. - Keeper

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LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
TOMPKINSVILLE, N. Y.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

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SUPT. LIGHTHOUSES
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TOMPKINSVILLE, N.Y.

THIRD DISTRICT

Block Point N.Y.
(Station, Depot, or Vessel)

May 14, 1924

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X Pon ham Rocks R.I. - Keeper
X Sabine Point R.I. - Keeper
X Sands Point N.Y. - Keeper
X Split Rock N.Y. - Keeper
X Stamford Harbor Conn. - Keeper
X Stonington Bkw. Conn. - Keeper
X Stuyvesant N.Y. - Keeper
X Throgs Neck N.Y. - Keeper
X Wickford Harbor R.I. - Keeper
X Windmill Point N.Y. - Keeper

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LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
TOMPKINSVILLE, N. Y.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE



THIRD DISTRICT

Orient Point N. Y.
(Station, Depot, or Vessel)

May 14, 1914

Barber Point N. Y. - Keeper
Beaver Tail R. I. - Keeper or 1st Assistant
Bergen Point N. J. - Keeper
Block Island (N) R. I. - Keeper
Borden Flats R I - Keeper
Bridgeport Harbor Conn - Keeper
Burlington Bkw. Vt - Keeper
Cedar Island N. Y. - Keeper
Crown Point N. Y. - Keeper
Dutch Island R. I. - Keeper
Fort Wadsworth N. Y. - Keeper or 1st Assistant
Gould Island R I - Keeper
Isle La Motte Vt - Keeper
Juniper Island Vt - Keeper
Lime Rock R. I. - Keeper
Lloyd Harbor N. Y. - Keeper
Long Beach Bar N. Y. - Keeper
Newport Harbor R. I. - Keeper
No. Dumpling N. Y. - Keeper
Point Au Roche N. Y. - Keeper

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LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
TOMPKINSVILLE, N. Y.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

THIRD DISTRICT

Orient Point N.Y.
(Station, Depot, or Vessel)

May 14, 1924

Pinkam Rocks R.I. - Keeper
Sabine Rocks R.I. - Keeper
Sands Point N.Y. - Keeper
Split Rock N.Y. - Keeper
Stamford Harbor Conn. - Keeper
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Stuyvesant N.Y. - Keeper
Throgs Neck N.Y. - Keeper
Wickford Harbor R.I. - Keeper
Windmill Point N.Y. - Keeper.

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

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

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SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
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THIRD DISTRICT

Orient Point N Y
(Station, Depot, or Vessel)

May 12, 1924

SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
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TOMPKINSVILLE, N.Y.

Superintendent of Lighthouses.
Third District
Tompkinsville N.Y.

Subject - Transfer:

I would like to be considered for transfer to any of the following stations as I am getting married in the near future, and, would like to start House keeping.

John Wallwork
1st Assistant Keeper.

M. J. Freitas. Jr.
Keeper.

Form 73

NOMINATION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

FWC-JHC

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES, Third DISTRICT.

Staten Island, N. Y., April 14, 1924 19
(City.) (Date.)

COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Action recommended, Promotion

Name, John Wallwork — Legal residence, Rhode Island

Position, Keeper — Salary, $840 p.a.

Location, Orient Point Lt.Sta., N.Y. — Appropriation, Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses

Effective April 21,1924 — ~~the actual date of entrance on duty~~, or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty.

Former position, Keeper — Former salary, $780 p.a.

Location, Orient Point Lt.Sta., N.Y.

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

Previous incumbent, John McCarthy — Services terminated, April 13,1924

Reason, Died.

Members of family in Government Service,

Date of birth, Mr. Wallwork entered the service on March20,1924 as 2d Asst. Keeper of Orient Pt.L.S., and his promotion is recommended as

Remarks: he is the only employee in his grade at that station, and the vacancy to which promotion is proposed could not be foreseen at the time he was appointed. No other employee of District desired transfer to this position.

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

J. T. Yates

Secretary, *Civil Service District.*

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

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

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Form 73

NOMINATION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

FWC-JHG

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES, Third DISTRICT,

Staten Island, N. Y., April 14, 1924 19
(City.) (Date.)

COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Action recommended, Promotion

Name, **John Wallwork** Legal residence, **Rhode Island**

Position, **Keeper** Salary, **$840 p.a.**

Location, **Orient Point Lt.Sta., N.Y.** Appropriation, **Salaries, Keepers of Light houses**

Effective **April 21, 1924** {~~The date he reports for duty~~, or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty.

Former position, **Keeper** Former salary, **$780 p.a.**

Location, **Orient Point Lt.Sta., N.Y.**

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

Previous incumbent, **John McCarthy** Services terminated, **April 13, 1924**

Reason, **Died.**

Members of family in Government Service,

Date of birth,

Remarks: Mr. Wallwork entered the service on March 20, 1924 as 2d Asst. Keeper of Orient Pt. L.S., and his promotion is recommended as he is the only employee in his grade at that station, and the vacancy to which promotion is proposed could not be foreseen at the time he was appointed. No other employee of District desired transfer to this position.

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J. T. Yates

Secretary, *Civil Service District.*

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

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Form A-21

LIGHTHOUSES

1924 APR 16 PM 4 01

NOTICE OF CHANGE IN SALARY
KEEPERS-LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

April 16, 1924.

Mr. John Wallwork,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

You are advised that your salary as keeper in the Lighthouse Service has been changed from $ 780 per annum to $ 840 per annum, effective April 21, 1924, or as soon thereafter as you enter on duty.

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

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

EBW. J. GARDNER.
Acting Chief of Appointment Division.

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FWC-JHC

John Wallwork, 2nd Asst.Keeper,
Through the Keeper,
Orient Point Light Station,
Orient Point, N. Y.

April 18,1924

SUBJECT: Promotion.

1. Transmitted herewith is Department letter dated April 16,1924 promoting you from the position of 2nd Assistant Keeper to that of 1st Assistant Keeper of Orient Point Light Station, and in accordance therewith you are hereby directed to enter on duty in that position on April 21,1924.

J. T. YATES

Superintendent

By: W. J. Lawton,
Chief Clerk

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
STATEN ISLAND, N.Y.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

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GENERAL DEPOT
OFFICE SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
3D DISTRICT, STATEN ISLAND, N.Y.

John Wallwork, 2nd Asst.Keeper,
Through the Keeper,
Orient Point Lt.Sta.

March 31,1924

Enclosed is Form 206 "Record of Physical Examination of Light Keeper or Assistant Light Keeper", addressed to the United States Public Health Service, requesting that you be given a physical examination, for the purpose of determining whether or not you are entitled to medical relief without charge at hospitals and other stations of the Public Health Service, pursuant to the Act of Congress, approved August 28, 1916. A copy of the provision contained in said Act is quoted in District Circular Letter No. 187, dated May 21, 1917.

Under the terms thereof it will be necessary for you to submit to said examination and be found physically qualified before you will be entitled to the benefits provided for by the Act of August 28, 1916. As said benefits will be solely to your personal advantage it is to your interest to give this matter attention at the earliest opportunity.

After you have been given a physical examination by the medical officer designated on attached Form No. 206, said Form No. 206 will be returned to you by the medical officer. You will then send it to this office so that it may be recorded, after which it will be returned to you. The original copy of Form No. 206 will then be your property, and you are directed to preserve it and keep it in your posession for future reference.

J. T. YATES

P.S. - Assistant Keeper to sign Form No. 206 where marked "A" - Keeper to sign Form No. 206 where marked "B".

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ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
STATEN ISLAND, N.Y.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

MAR 31 1924 RECEIVED

GENERAL DEPOT
OFFICE SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
3D DISTRICT, STATEN ISLAND, N.Y.

Manuel J.Freitas,Jr.
.....Keeper.

Orient Point
.....Lt. Sta.

Orient Point, N. Y.
.....

March 25,1924

1. Furnish the information called for below in regard to Assistant Keeper..John Wallwork..... and return this sheet to this office:-

2. Be careful to see that the information given is accurate.

Born in (Country or State)..Glascow Scotland.....

Age..30.....

Height..6...feet..½...inches...

Weight..165.....pounds

Color of hair..Brown.....

Color of eyes..Blue.....

Distinguishing marks..None.....

.....

J. T. YATES,
Superintendent.

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Form 206 File No. 8

RECORD OF PHYSICAL EXAMINATION OF LIGHT KEEPER OR ASSISTANT LIGHT KEEPER

IN CONNECTION WITH MEDICAL RELIEF BY THE PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

FWO-JHG

Office of Lighthouse Inspector, 3rd District,

Place, Staten Island, N. Y.

Date, March 31, 1924, 191

To the Medical Officer in Charge,
U. S. Public Health Service,
New London, Conn.

Sir:

Please examine John Wallwork, 2nd Asst. Keeper, Orient Point Lt. Sta.

nativity, Scotland; age, 30; height, 6 feet, 1-2 inches;

weight, 165 pounds; color of hair, brown; color of eyes, blue

distinguishing marks, None

as to eyesight, hearing, and physical condition.

When the examination has been completed the findings should be recorded on this blank and the blank returned to the applicant.

Respectfully,

Supt., 3d L. H. Dist. *Lighthouse Inspector.*

A

(Signature of applicant:)

(To be signed in the presence of the officer issuing this blank or witnessed by a designated employee of the Lighthouse Service.)

Witnessed by B Keeper, Orient Pt. Lt. Sta.

U. S. PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE

Place,

Date, , 191

To Lighthouse Inspector,

Sir: This certifies that I have this day examined the eyesight, hearing, and physical condition of , and find him physically { disqualified / qualified* } in accordance with rules approved by the Secretary of the Treasury and the Secretary of Commerce, respecting the treatment by the Public Health Service of light keepers and assistant light keepers of the Lighthouse Service pursuant to the Act of Congress approved August 28, 1916.

He is disqualified for the reasons shown on page 3.

Surgeon, U. S. Public Health Service.

* If qualified, strike out the word "disqualified" and the paragraph following.

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ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
STATEN ISLAND, N.Y.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

SUPT. OF LIGHTHOUSES
MAR 25 1924
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STATEN ISLAND, N.Y.

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Letter
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THIRD DISTRICT

Quoddy Point Sta.
(Station, Depot, or Vessel)

March 21, 1924.

Supt of Lighthouses
Third Distuch
Sir:-

Louis Swaz reported for duty at 2.00 P.M. March 19th.

John Wallwork reported for duty at 4.00 P.M. March 20th.

Respectfully.

John Mc Carthy
Asst. Keeper

Wallwork E O D on March 20-1924

Entd Dr 4/8/24

Per
Supt Light houses.

3-19-24.



Dear Sir:-

Replying to yours of the 18th.

I shall try to report this afternoon if I can get transportation from New London.

If not I shall report on the 20th.

Respectfully

—John Wallbank

EK

Washington D C

Lighthouse Superintendent Saint George N Y

Appointment Wallwork approved

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CONFIRMATION to 3d

Commissioner of Lighthouses

SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
MAR 19 1924
RECEIVED
2ND DIST. N.Y.

Form 1204

CLASS OF SERVICE	SYMBOL
Telegram	
Day Letter	Blue
Night Message	Nite
Night Letter	N L

If none of these three symbols appears after the check (number of words) this is a telegram. Otherwise its character is indicated by the symbol appearing after the check.

WESTERN UNION TELEGRAM

NEWCOMB CARLTON, PRESIDENT — GEORGE W. E. ATKINS, FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT

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John Wallwork,
134 Main Street,
Westerly, Rhode Island.

March 18,1924

SUBJECTL Position of 2nd Asst.Keeper, Orient Pt.Lt.Sta.
REFERENCEL Letter from this office March 14, and your reply March 15,1924.

1. Referring to letter from this office dated March 14,1924 stating you had been selected for the position of 2nd assistant keeper of Orient Point Light Station; you are advised you have been appointed to this position, and in accordance therewith are directed to report for duty at that station at the earliest possible date after receipt of this letter. Transportation charges will be at your own expense. Show this letter to the 1st Asst.Keeper in charge, which will be his authority for assigning you to duty. The name and address of the keeper is John McCarthy, 1st Asst.Keeper in charge, Orient Point, Long Island, N.Y.

2. Acknowledge receipt of this letter and state on what date you will report for duty.

J. T. YATES

Superintendent

By: W. J. Lawton,
Chief Clerk

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March 18,1924

1. Copy forwarded for his information, to John McCarthy, 1st Asst.Keeper in charge, Orient Pt.Lt.Sta. Report to this office promptly by letter the date on which Wallwork reports for duty as 2nd Asst.Keeper.

J. T. YATES

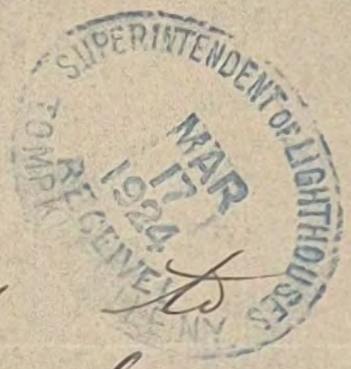
Superintendent

By: W. J. Lawton,
Chief Clerk

per

134 Main St
Westerly R.I.
March 15, '24

Supt of Lighthouses



Dear Sir:-

In answer to
yours under date of
March 14, I wish to advise
I am ready to go at
a moments notice. to
Orient Point L. S.

Yours Truly

John Wallbank

CERTIFICATE OF PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

LIGHTHOUSES 1924 MAR 19 PM 3 45

March 15, 1924.

Mr. John Wallwork,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

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

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

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

EDW. J GARDNER

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3d Acting Chief of Appointment Division.

Appropriation:
Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.
Vice:
Charles H. Chandler.
Legal Residence:
Rhode Island. (See reverse side.)

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Form 73

NOMINATION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

TELEGRAPHIC REPLY IS DESIRED

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OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES, 3rd DISTRICT,

Staten Island, N.Y. (City.) March 14, 1924 (Date.) 19

COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Action recommended, (Thr.Sec'y 2nd C. S.Dist.) Probationary appointment.

Name, John Wallwork

Legal residence, Rhode Island

Position, Keeper

Salary $780.00 p.a.

Location, Orient Point Lt.Sta., N.Y.

Appropriation, Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses

Effective March 17, 1924 { the actual date of entrance on duty, or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty.

Former position,

Former salary,

Location,

Rank on eligible list, 1 Rating, Keeper Percentage, 87.0 , Other eligibles considered:

Charles S.Hanson....C. Joseph E.Bottomley....C.

Previous incumbent, Charles H. Chandler Services terminated, March 15, 1924

Reason, Resigned

Members of family in Government Service, None

Date of birth, Feb. 27, 1894

Remarks: No employee of District desired transfer to this position. There are no quarters for families of keepers at this station. No.2 on eligible list will accept appointment only at stations where family quarters are provided.

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

For and in the absence of the Superintendent

F. W. Ockentels

1st Asst. Supt.

This copy is forwarded in order that approval of the appointment recommended may be expedited.

For & in the absence of the Supt.

Secretary, Civil Service District.

F. W. Ockentels

1st Asst. Supt.

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

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

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Form 73

NOMINATION

TELEGRAPHIC REPLY IS DESIRED

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES, 2nd DISTRICT,

Staten Island, N.Y. (City.) March 24, 1924 (Date.) 19

COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Action recommended, (Thr. Sec'y Eml C. S.Dist.) Probationary appointment.

Name, John Wellwork — Legal residence, Rhode Island

Position, Keeper — Salary, $780.00 p.a.

Location, Orient Point Lt.Sta., N.Y. — Appropriation, Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses

Effective March 17, 1924 { ~~the actual date of entrance on duty~~, or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty.

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BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
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FWO-JHG

John Wallwork,
134 Main Street,
Westerly, R. I.

March 14,1924

SUBJECT: Position of 2nd Asst.Keeper, Orient Pt.L.S.
REFERENCE: Your letter March 11,1924.

1. Referring to your letter dated March 11,1924 stating you were willing to accept the position of 2nd assistant keeper of Orient Point Light Station; you are advised you have to-day been nominated for appointment to this position and in accordance therewith are directed to hold yourself in readiness to report for duty as soon as definite orders are sent you. Should you be appointed to this position your services will probably be required about March 18,1924.

2. Please acknowledge receipt of this letter.

J. T. YATES

Superintendent

By: W. J. Lawton,
Chief Clerk

Form 201
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

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LETTER TO ELIGIBLES

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES, 3rd DIST.

It is important that this letter be answered promptly

John Wallwork

Staten Island, N.Y., March 10, 1924. 19

SIR: You are hereby informed that you are being considered for the position of 2d Asst. Keeper
(State position, location, and whether station is ashore or afloat.)
of Orient Point Lt. Sta., located off shore in Long Island Sound, N.Y.

Total Compensation: $ 1188.00 per annum (which includes: Salary, $ 780.00 per annum; bonus, $ 240.00 per annum; and subsistence, 45 cents per day.)

Longevity Pay: In addition to the above keepers receive $ 60.00 per annum, after 5 years of continuous service, as longevity pay.

Quarters and Fuel: Quarters are provided for the 3 keepers at this station, but not for families of keepers. Family quarters can probably be rented at Orient Point, N.Y.
(State whether or not quarters and fuel are furnished by the Government for the families of keepers at this station, and if quarters can be rented by appointee in the vicinity.)

Furniture: Necessary furniture will be supplied by the Government.
(State articles of furniture to be furnished by the Government.)

Promotion: Appointees will be considered for promotion to higher positions as vacancies occur.

Shore Liberty: Not exceeding 96 days per annum may be granted to employees at this station.

This is a letter of inquiry and not an offer of the position, as other eligibles are also being considered for the same position, any one of whom may be selected, although all may indicate willingness to accept this position.

No furniture or quarters for families are provided, except as stated above. Any additional articles of furniture required, and necessary provisions, must be provided by employees.

Read carefully the Instructions to Eligibles on the other side before returning this letter.

You will, therefore, please advise this office in this connection by answering the questions below and returning this communication at the earliest date practicable.

Respectfully,

J. T. YATES

The following questions should be filled in by applicant:

Are you willing to accept this position if it is offered you? Yes

If selected, I can report for duty in 2 days from to-day.

Do you wish your name restored to the register at this time?

Are you willing to accept the next appointment offered?

Do you wish your name restored to the register at some future time? If so, give date.

Are any members of your family, or relatives (either blood or by marriage), in the service of the United States Government? Answer "Yes" or "No." ..... If yes, state how many .....; and fill in the following blanks.

Name.	Post-office address.	Where employed.	Relationship.	Married or single.
		Position Department or office		
		Position Department or office		

(If you have more than two relatives in the Government service, give same information as to them on a separate sheet of paper.)

If not willing to accept this position, state your reasons below:

(Signature) John W. Wallwork

Date March 14, 1924 (Post-office address) Westerly R.F.D.

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Form 201
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

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John Wallwork

LETTER TO ELIGIBLES

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Answered letter to

	Name	Post-office address.	Where employed.	Relationship.	Married or single.
9	F.E. Offel	A			
5	J.E. Bollinger	A	Okl 3/14		
3	J. Wallwork	A	Position		
6	T.J. Bodine	A	Department or office		
7	J.P. Smith		Position		
8	F.E. Baker		Department or office		
2	J.S. Cummings				
4	C.S. Marson	A			
1	T.J. Ryan	A			

(If you have more than two relatives in the Government service, give same information as to them on a separate sheet of paper.)

If not willing to accept this position, state your reasons below:

(Signature)----------

Date----------

(Post-office address)----------

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FWO:CFG

July 19, 1924.

Mr. William Wallwork,
193 Mechanic Street,
Westerly, R. I.

SUBJECT : The late John Wallwork, formerly Assistant Keeper of Orient Point Light Station.

REFERENCE: Your letter of July 18, 1924.

Sir:-

In reply to your letter of July 18, 1924, concerning the recovery of the body of your son, it is regretted that it is impossible to furnish any definite information in the matter. The light keepers, and also the coast guard stations in the vicinity, are still on the lookout but of course in view of the time that has elapsed since the accident, the recovery of the body is rather doubtful. Should any further information be received or obtained, or the body recovered, this office will, of course, notify you immediately.

F Respectfully,

J. T. Yates

Superintendent.

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REPORT OF ~~INJURY~~ DROWNING

[To be submitted to UNITED STATES EMPLOYEES' COMPENSATION COMMISSION, Washington, D. C., through official channels, as soon as practicable after any injury to a civil employee of the United States sustained while in the performance of duty which results in any medical charge against the Compensation Commission or in any loss of time other than the remainder of the day or shift on which injury occurred. This form should be accompanied by C. A. 1.]

Place of employment.

1. Department Commerce [War, Navy, etc.] 2. Bureau or office Lighthouses [Engineer, Navigation, etc.]
3. Place of employment General Lighthouse Depot, Staten Island [Arsenal, Navy Yard, etc.], N. Y. [City.] and [State.] Field.
4. Reporting office Superintendent of Lighthouses, Staten Island, N. Y. [Location of reporting office or division headquarters.]
5. Name of superintendent or foreman in charge when ~~injury~~ drowning occurred - - -

The injured employee.

6. Name of ~~injured~~ drowned employee Walter Gill [Give first name in full.] 7. Age 52 8. Sex Male
9. Home address 1084 Bedford Ave., [Street and number.] Brooklyn, [City or town.] N. Y. [State.]
10. Married, ~~single, widowed~~ [Cross out two words.] 11. Speak English? Yes If not, what language? - -
12. Race White 13. Was ~~injury~~ drowning reported to official superior within 48 hours after ~~injury~~ drowning? Yes; by Keeper (Freitas of Orient Point Light Sta.
14. Was ~~injury~~ drowning caused by:
(a) Willful misconduct of the employee? No
(b) Intention of employee to bring about injury or death of himself or another? No
(c) Employee's intoxication? No
[If any answers to these questions are made in the affirmative, the reporting officer should make an additional statement giving the reason for his conclusion and forward same with this report.]
15. Occupation and division Machinist, Machine Shop. [Color, as laborer, engineer, fireman, helper, machine shop, etc.] Also overhauled Oil Engines Stas. 16. Was employee doing his regular work? Yes If not, what work? - -
17. How long employed at present work? - -
18. How long at present work in this establishment? Since September 1, 1900.
19. Dates of other injuries - - -
20. Rate of pay, $ 7.307 per day and subsistence valued at $ 1.50 - per day while at light stations
21. Employee begins work at 8:00 a. [Hour, a. m. or p. m.] m. 22. Regular day's work terminates 4:30 p. [Hour, a. m. or p. m.] m.
23. Hours worked per day eight 24. Days paid per week six
25. Date employee stopped work May 23, 1924 day of week Friday; hour of day Shortly after 3 p.m. Daylight Saving Time. [a. m. or p. m.]
26. Date employee's pay stopped May 23 day of week Friday; hour of day Close of day. [a. m. or p. m.]

The injury.

27. Date of ~~injury~~ drowning May 23rd, 1924 28. Day of week Friday 29. Hour of day ~~Shortly after 3 p.m. Daylight Saving Time.~~ drowning [a. m. or p. m.]
30. Place where ~~injury~~ drowning occurred in Gardiners Bay and off Orient Point Light Station [Give exact location by name of street and number of building and division, etc.]
31. Name of machine, tool, or appliance in connection with which ~~injury~~ drowning occurred 12 ft. round bottom row and Sail boat.
(a) By what kind of power driven? Hand (b) Hand feed or mechanical? - - -
(c) Part on which injury occurred - - -
(d) Was an improved safeguard in use at time of injury? - - -
If not, is it possible to provide such safeguard? - - -
(e) Was the machine, tool, or appliance out of order or ill-suited for the work? No
(f) Was employee instructed as to its use? Yes
32. Describe in full how ~~XXXX~~ drowning occurred While en route to Orient Point Light Station in regular Light Station row boat, which was being rowed by First Assistant Keeper John Wallwork, the boat was caught in what is known as a tide rip and becoming unmanageable capsized.
33. State part of body injured and nature and extent of injury, marking upon chart on reverse of this report site of injury - - - Employee drowned - body not recovered up to date.
34. Did injury cause loss of any member or part of member? - - If so, describe exactly - -

Medical attendance.

35. Name and address of physician who first attended case - -
36. How soon after injury? - - Location - -
37. To what hospital sent? - -
38. If not sent to hospital, where sent? - -
39. Name and address of physician now attending case - -
40. Was transportation furnished at Government expense? - -
41. What is probable length of disability for work? - - [If injured employee has already returned to work, give date and hour.]

General.

42. Names and addresses of witnesses to ~~XXXX~~ drowning
Manuel J. Freitas, Keeper, Orient Point Light Station,
Orient Point, N. Y.
43. Was employee injured ~~XXXX~~ drowned while in performance of duty? Yes If not, or in doubt, give detailed statement
44. Was ~~injury~~ drowning caused by other than a Government employee or agency? No
[If so, a detailed statement should be forwarded with this report.]

Signed this 29th day of May, 192 4 J. T. YATES.
[Signature of reporting officer.]
at Staten Island, N. Y. Superintendent of Lighthouses
[Title.]

C. A. 2
Revised to January 1, 1923.

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GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE

REPORT OF TERMINATION OF TOTAL OR PARTIAL DISABILITY.

(Cross out one.)

[To be forwarded to the UNITED STATES EMPLOYEES' COMPENSATION COMMISSION, WASHINGTON, D. C., through official channels, as soon as disability from injury terminates. This form to be submitted for each injury resulting in any disability, whether or not employee makes claim for compensation.]

1. Department _____ (War, Navy, etc.) 2. Bureau or office _____ (Engineer, Navigation, etc.)
3. Place of employment _____ (Arsenal, Navy Yard, etc.) (City or town.) (State.)
4. Full name of injured employee _____
5. Time of injury _____ (Date.), 19 _____ (Day of week.) _____ (Hour, a. m. or p. m.) m.
6. Time employee stopped work _____ (Date.), 19 _____ (Day of week.) _____ (Hour, a. m. or p. m.) m.
7. Time employee's pay stopped _____ (Date.), 19 _____ (Day of week.) _____ (Hour, a. m. or p. m.) m.
8. First day employee was able to resume work _____ (Date.), 19 _____ (Day of week.) _____ (Hour, a. m. or p. m.) m.
9. Did employee return to the same work and at same rate of pay after termination of disability? _____ If so, when? _____ If not, state character of work performed upon return to duty and rate paid employee for such work _____
10. Actual time disabled (including Sundays and holidays) _____ days.
11. Number of days for which employee would have received pay had he not been disabled _____ days.
12. If employee was receiving subsistence as part of his wages, was such subsistence furnished during entire period of disability? _____ If not, give dates on which subsistence was not furnished _____
13. Has employee been paid for any portion of above absence on account of—
    (a) Annual leave? _____ (Give exact dates.)
    (b) Sick leave? _____ (Give exact dates.)
14. Nature of injury _____
15. Remarks _____

[The following information is to be furnished *only* in case of death resulting from an injury sustained while in the performance of duty. If death results immediately, or if no Report of Injury has previously been submitted, such report, on Form C. A. 2, should be forwarded herewith.]

REPORT OF DEATH

16. Full name of deceased employee Walter Gill
17. Time of death May 23rd, 1924 (Date.), 19 Friday Shortly after 3 p.m. (Daylight Saving Time) (Day of week.) (Hour, a. m. or p. m.)
18. Time employee's pay stopped May 23rd (Date.), 1924 Friday Close of Day. (Day of week.) (Hour, a. m. or p. m.) m.
19. Place of death In Gardiners Bay, off Orient Point Light Station (Name of hospital, establishment, etc.) (City or town, and State.)
20. Immediate cause of death Drowning.

Widow of deceased employee Mrs. Walter Gill, 1084 Bedford Ave., Brooklyn, N.Y. (Give full name.) (Address.)

22. Children of deceased employee under 18 years of age, or those over 18 who are incapable of self-support:

Name.	Age.
None	

23. Names, relationship, and addresses of all other persons known to be dependent, in any degree, upon decedent at time of death:

Name.	Relationship.	Address.
None		

Signed this 29th day of May, 19 24
at Staten Island, N. Y.

J. T. YATES.
(Official superior.)
Superintendent of Lighthouses
(Third District)

C. A. 3.
Revised to May 27, 1922.

(All forwarding indorsements to be made on reverse side of this sheet.)

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GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE

FHF:LW.

May 29, 1924.

Mrs. Walter Gill,
1084 Bedford Avenue,
Brooklyn, N.Y.

SUBJECT: Claim for compensation on account of the death of Walter Gill.

Dear Madam:

1. Attached hereto is Form CA-5. You should answer question No. 14 and have the claim sworn to before a Notary Public. All questions on Page 2 of this form should be answered by you and also sworn to before a Notary Public. After the form has been duly executed it should be forwarded to this office for further action.

Respectfully,

J. T. YATES.

Encl.-Form CA-5. Superintendent.

...S TO
...HOUSES
STATEN ISLAND, N. Y.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

GENERAL DEPOT
OFFICE SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
3D DISTRICT, STATEN ISLAND, N.Y.
May 26, 1924.

Superintendent of Lighthouses.

SUBJECT: Accidental drowning of two men enroute to Orient Point Light Station.

1. In accordance with your orders I proceeded to New London and joined Hawthorn for passage to Orient Point Light Station to obtain information re the accidental drowning of machinist Gill and First Assistant Keeper John Wallwork.

2. Keeper Freitas' account of the accident follows:- Wind fresh S.W. Tide falling.

3. Assistant Keeper Wallwork left the station in the 12 foot round bottom boat to obtain mail and provisions; the boat was fully equipped with oars and rowlocks and was in good condition for the purpose, had four oars and rowlocks, it was considered to be a good chance for making the trip, the landing was made at the customary place on beach nearest point to the statimn, and the Assistant Keeper proceeded to the Post Office and grocery store. While he was absent from the beach a man appeared on beach near boat, and it is supposed that seeing the station boat he believed that one of the keepers was on shore and he waited for his return which occurred at about 3 p.m. Daylight time.

4. Both men were seen to leave the shore in the boat and the Keeper noted that the boat was not taking the course usually followed in going to station from shore on the ebb tide. He tried to signal them to change their course but apparently the signals were not seen by the occupants of the boat as the course of the boat was not changed and it very soon became evident that the boat was in the tide rip and in great peril, and being rapidly carried past the station into Gardiners Bay; as the boat neared the station the men shouted for help and the Assistant Keeper began waving one of the oars to attract attention.

5. The keeper seeing that the boat was out of control and being swept away on the tide, telephoned the Orient Point Coast Guard Station for help and then launched the other station boat in order to attempt a rescue single handed. As he was lowering his boat he observed that the other boat was about 250 feet from the station and before his boat struck the water the other boat capsized. Keeper Freitas pulled his boat to as near as

possible to the spot where accident occurred but the boat and the men had completely disappeared.

6. The Coast Guard boat arrived at the station about an hour after the accident and cruised around the vicinity for two hours without discovering any trace of men, boat or oars, and a motor boat in charge of Sergeant Reynolds from Fort Terry also made a search for about an hour without success.

7. Assistant Keeper Wallwork had made the trip between the station and shore a number of times in this boat and although he was a new man at this station he was considered to be a good and careful boatman.

8. The Keeper stated that the boat had made the trip between Light Station and shore with three men in it when conditions were about the same as at time the accident occurred. As Machinist Gill was thoroughly posted regarding the tide rips and the necessity for avoiding them it is probable that some unforeseen condition arose after the boat left the shore, which led to the disaster.

9. The Hawthorn began a patrol of the Bay immediately after reporting to this office Saturday May 24 and was to continue until Monday night in an effort to find the bodies of the missing men.

Respectfully submitted.

O.C.LUTHER

Assistant Superintendent.

JTY:ER

Office of Superintendent of Lighthouses.
Staten Island, N.Y. May 26, 1924.

Copy forwarded to commission together with copy of letter of May 23rd, from the keeper of Orient Point Light Station and copy of letter of May 25th from the Master of the Lighthouse Tender Hawthorn.

J. T. Yates.
Superintendent.

Walter Gill

EOD. Sep 1, 1900

~~Other Leaves~~

~~Rating Bm~~

age Mar 10, 1872

John Wallwork

EOD. Mar 23, 1924

age Feb 27, 1874.

Married single Divorced

Pay - Sub.

840+240. - 454 p.d.

Died 5-23-24

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UNITED STATES EMPLOYEES' COMPENSATION COMMISSION

F BUILDING, SEVENTH AND B STREETS

WASHINGTON

Sept. 9, 1924.

COMMISSIONERS

BESSIE P. BRUEGGEMAN
CHAIRMAN
CHAS. H. VERRILL
JNO. J. KEEGAN

SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHT-HOUSES
SEP 10 1924
RECEIVED

S. R. GOLIBART, JR.
SECRETARY

In reply refer to File No. 49879

Mr. Wm. Wallwork,
193 Mechanic St.,
Westerly, R.I.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your claim for compensation on account of the death of your son, John Wallwork, a former Keeper, Orient Point Light Station, Orient Point, N.Y., your claim has been approved and an award of $20.00 per month made to you as a partially dependent parent, for a period of eight years, beginning May 24, 1924, unless you die, marry or cease to be dependent prior to the expiration of that time.

A check in payment of compensation covering the period of May 24 to August 31, 1924, inclusive, went forward to you on September 1, 1924.

There is inclosed herewith a supply of forms to be used in claiming further compensation. A claim should be prepared by you on October 1st to cover the period of September 1 to September 30, 1924, inclusive. Each claim should be acknowledged before your local postmaster, and forwarded to the Commission in the franked envelopes herewith. Claims should be prepared each year on the first of the following months:

January
April
July
October

covering the preceding quarter and forwarded in the foregoing manner.

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If claims are not prepared and forwarded by you on the foregoing dates, it will be assumed that your status has changed and that you are not, therefore, entitled to further compensation.

SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
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If the body of your son is recovered you should submit itemized bills covering the burial expenses incurred in order that the amount allowed by law may have consideration.

This letter should be retained by you as evidence of the award which has been made and the instructions herein carefully complied with, in order to insure the making of prompt payments.

Very truly yours,

Jno J Kirgan

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Commissioner.

Official copy forwarded the Superintendent of Lighthouses, Staten Island, N.Y.

Jno J Kirgan

Commissioner.

OFFICIAL CORRESPONDENCE SHOULD BE ADDRESSED TO THE COMMISSION

UNITED STATES EMPLOYEES' COMPENSATION COMMISSION

THE INTERIOR BUILDING

WASHINGTON

June 3, 1924.

S. R. GOLIBART, JR.
SECRETARY

COMMISSIONERS

BESSIE P. BRUEGGEMAN
CHAIRMAN
CHAS. H. VERRILL
JNO. J. KEEGAN

In reply refer to File No. 149879

Superintendent of Lighthouses,
Third District,
Staten Island, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

Please forward to the Commission at your earliest convenience, form C.A.3, report of death in the case of John Wallwork, Asst. Keeper Orient Point Light, who was drowned May 23, 1924.

Early compliance with this request will be very much appreciated.

Very truly yours,

Jno J Keegan

Commissioner.

scb-mab

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
STATEN ISLAND, N. Y.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

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GENERAL DEPOT
OFFICE SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
3D DISTRICT, STATEN ISLAND, N.Y.

May 26, 1924.

Superintendent of Lighthouses.

SUBJECT: Accidental drowning of two men enroute to Orient Point Light station.

1. In accordance with your orders I proceeded to New London and joined Hawthorn for passage to Orient Point Light Station to obtain information re the accidental drowning of machinist Gill and First Assistant Keeper John Wallwork.*****

5. The keeper seeing that the boat was out of control and being swept away on the tide, telephoned the Orient Point Coast Guard Station for help and then launched the other station boat in order to attempt a rescue single handed. As he was lowering his boat he observed that the other boat was about 250 feet from the station and before his boat struck the water the other boat capsized. Keeper Freitas pulled his boat to as near as possible to the spot where accident occurred but the boat and the men had completely disappeared. *****

Respectfully submitted,

O. C. LUTHER

Assistant Superintendent.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this ---------- day of ----------, 19

---------- (Signature of official administering oath.)

---------- (Title.) ---------- (In and for.)

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AFFIDAVIT IN SUPPORT OF CLAIM OF DEPENDENTS OTHER THAN WIDOW OR WIDOWER AND CHILDREN UNDER 18.

NOTICE: Section 39 of the Compensation Act of September 7, 1916, provides that whoever makes, in any claim for compensation, any statement, knowing it to be false, shall be guilty of perjury and shall be punished by a fine of not more than $2,000, or by imprisonment for not more than one year, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

AFFIDAVIT IN SUPPORT OF CLAIM under the provisions of the Compensation Act of September 7, 1916, is hereby made by the undersigned:

1. Full name of deceased employee John Wallwork

2. Relationship of claimant to deceased Father

3. Date of birth of claimant: (a) June (Month.) (b) 2nd (Date.) 1862 (Year.)
(If under legal age, claim should be made by guardian.)

4. State amount of support received from deceased during the twelve months immediately preceding the injury resulting in decedent's death: $600. Give the amount and date of each contribution to support Every week he would give $12.00 during the past year, no certain days in the week and sometimes he would let it run two weeks and pay us double as that for one week

5. What was your total income from all other sources during the twelve months immediately preceding the injury resulting in decedent's death? I should say about $500.00

6. What property do you own? State value and where located: Small store $500. Westerly, R.I.
Real estate None
Personal property Small grocery store

7. Did you live with the deceased during the year immediately preceding his death? Yes

8. State in detail any other facts which will tend to show your dependence upon the deceased employee:
I have been sick and unable to work and my wife has been sick since Jan. 1, 1924 and have to lose time in taking care of her and she is very ill at this time.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that each and every statement set forth above is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Name: William Wallwork

Address: 193 Mechanic Street (Street and number.)
Westerly (City.), R.I. (State.)

State of Connecticut }
County of New London } ss:

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 2nd day of June, 1924

William H. Casey
(Signature of official administering oath.)

Notary Public (Title.), State of Conn. (In and for.)

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PHYSICIAN'S CERTIFICATE.

1. Full name of deceased employee _____
2. Dates on which employee was attended by you _____
3. Date of employee's death _____, 19
4. Direct cause of death _____
5. Contributory cause of death _____
6. Was history of injury given in this case? _____ If so, state it briefly _____
7. In your opinion, was the death of the employee due to such injury? _____
8. Remarks: _____

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the answers to the above questions are true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

_____
(Signature of certifying physician.)

Address _____
(Street and number.)

_____, _____
(City.) (State.)

Date of this certificate, _____, 19

It is important that above certificate be furnished, but if for any cause it can not be secured, give full explanation below and submit such other proof of death as may be obtainable.

CERTIFICATE OF OFFICIAL SUPERIOR.

(If report of death on Form No. C. A. 3 has not been forwarded to the Commission, such report should be made and accompany this claim for compensation.)

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the person on account of whose death the foregoing claim is made was employed by the United States when injured and official report of the death was made on June 4 1924
(Date.)

(If any circumstances have arisen which alter the conclusions stated in the official report of death, or if the official superior disagrees with any of the statements made in the claim for compensation, it is requested that a full explanatory statement be made below.)

Remarks: See extract from Asst. Superintendent Luther's report attached.

J. T. YATES.
(Signature of official superior.)

Superintendent
(Title.)

Signed this 4th day of June, 1924

at Staten Island, N. Y.

9—C26

REPORT OF TERMINATION OF TOTAL OR PARTIAL DISABILITY.

(Cross out one.)

[To be forwarded to the UNITED STATES EMPLOYEES' COMPENSATION COMMISSION, WASHINGTON, D. C., through official channels, as soon as disability from injury terminates. This form to be submitted for each injury resulting in any disability, whether or not employee makes claim for compensation.]

1. Department _____ (War, Navy, etc.) 2. Bureau or office _____ (Engineer, Navigation, etc.)
3. Place of employment _____ (Arsenal, Navy Yard, etc.) (City or town.) (State.)
4. Full name of injured employee _____
5. Time of injury _____ (Date.), 19 _____ (Day of week.) _____ (Hour, a. m. or p. m.) m.
6. Time employee stopped work _____ (Date.), 19 _____ (Day of week.) _____ (Hour, a. m. or p. m.) m.
7. Time employee's pay stopped _____ (Date.), 19 _____ (Day of week.) _____ (Hour, a. m. or p. m.) m.
8. First day employee was able to resume work _____ (Date.), 19 _____ (Day of week.) _____ (Hour, a. m. or p. m.) m.
9. Did employee return to the same work and at same rate of pay after termination of disability? _____
If so, when? _____ If not, state character of work performed upon return to duty and rate paid employee for such work _____
10. Actual time disabled (including Sundays and holidays) _____ days.
11. Number of days for which employee would have received pay had he not been disabled _____ days.
12. If employee was receiving subsistence as part of his wages, was such subsistence furnished during entire period of disability? _____ If not, give dates on which subsistence was not furnished _____
13. Has employee been paid for any portion of above absence on account of—
(a) Annual leave? _____ (Give exact dates.)
(b) Sick leave? _____ (Give exact dates.)
14. Nature of injury _____
15. Remarks _____

[The following information is to be furnished *only* in case of death resulting from an injury sustained while in the performance of duty. If death results immediately, or if no Report of Injury has previously been submitted, such report, on Form C. A. 2, should be forwarded herewith.]

REPORT OF DEATH

16. Full name of deceased employee John Wallwork
17. Time of death May 23rd (Date.), 19 24 Friday (Day of week.) Shortly after 3 p.m. (Daylight Saving Time) (Hour, a. m. or p. m.) m.
18. Time employee's pay stopped May 23rd (Date.), 19 24 Friday (Day of week.) Close of day (Hour, a. m. or p. m.) m.
19. Place of death in Gardiners Bay, off Orient Point Light Station (Name of hospital, establishment, etc.) (City or town, and State.)
20. Immediate cause of death Drowning
21. Widow of deceased employee _____ (Give full name.) (Address.)
22. Children of deceased employee under 18 years of age, or those over 18 who are incapable of self-support:

Name.	Age.

23. Names, relationship, and addresses of all other persons known to be dependent, in any degree, upon decedent at time of death:

Name.	Relationship.	Address.
Hannah Wallwork	Mother	193 Mechanic St., Westerly, R.I.
William Wallwork	Father	193 Mechanic St., Westerly, R.I.

Signed this 4th day of June, 19 24
at Staten Island, N. Y.

J. T. YATES.
(Official superior.)
Superintendent.
(Title.)

C. A. 3.
Revised to May 27, 1922.

(All forwarding indorsements to be made on reverse side of this sheet.)

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GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE

FHF:MR.

May 29, 1924.

Mr. William Wallwork,
193 Mechanic Street,
Westerly, R. I.

SUBJECT: Accidental drowning of John Wallwork on May 23, 1924.

Sir:-

1. Please inform this office by return mail whether you were in any degree dependent on John Wallwork for support, also whether or not there were any others depended upon him for support.

Respectfully,

J. F. YATES.

Superintendent.

FHF:MR.

May 29, 1924.

Mr. William Wallwork,
193 Mechanic Street,
Westerly, R. I.

SUBJECT: Accidental drowning of John Wallwork on May 23, 1924.

Sir:-

1. If you were in any degree dependent upon John Wallwork for support the attached claim for compensation on account of death should be executed by you and returned promptly to this office. Questions Nos. 13 and 14 on page 1 of this form have been left for you to answer. You should also answer all the questions on page 3 of this form, and have both page 1 and page 3 sworn to before a Notary Public.

2. If you were not in any degree dependent upon John Wallwork for support, please so inform this office.

Respectfully,

J. T. YATES.

Superintendent.

Encl.

REPORT OF ~~INJURY~~ Drowning

[To be submitted to UNITED STATES EMPLOYEES' COMPENSATION COMMISSION, Washington, D. C., through official channels, as soon as practicable after any injury to a civil employee of the United States sustained while in the performance of duty which results in any medical charge against the Compensation Commission or in any loss of time other than the remainder of the day or shift on which injury occurred. This form should be accompanied by C. A. 1.]

Place of employment.

1. Department Commerce [War, Navy, etc.] 2. Bureau or office Lighthouses [Engineer, Navigation, etc.]
3. Place of employment Orient Point Light Station, Orient Point, N. Y. [Arsenal, Navy Yard, etc.] [City] [State.]
4. Reporting office Superintendent of Lighthouses, Staten Island, N. Y. [Location of reporting office or division headquarters.]
5. Name of superintendent or foreman in charge when injury occurred ~~injured~~ drowned

The injured employee.

6. Name of ~~injured~~ employee John Wallwork [Give first name in full.] 7. Age 30 8. Sex Male
9. Home address 193 Mechanic Street, [Street and number.] Westerly [City or town.], R. I. [State.]
10. ~~Married~~, single, ~~widowed~~? [Cross out two words.] 11. Speak English? Yes If not, what language?
12. Race White 13. Was ~~injury~~ drowning reported to official superior within 48 hours after injury? Yes; by Keeper (Freitas of Orient Point Light Sta.
14. Was ~~injury~~ drowning caused by:
(a) Willful misconduct of the employee? No
(b) Intention of employee to bring about injury or death of himself or another? No
(c) Employee's intoxication? No
[If any answers to these questions are made in the affirmative, the reporting officer should make an additional statement giving the reason for his conclusion and forward same with this report.]
15. Occupation and division Asst. Keeper, Orient Point Light [Give both, as laborer, hull division; helper, machine shop, etc.] 16. Was employee doing his regular work? Yes If not, what work?
17. How long employed at present work? - - -
18. How long at present work in this establishment? Since March 20, 1924
19. Dates of other injuries - - -
20. Rate of pay, $ 1080. per annum and subsistence valued at $ .45 per day
21. Employee begins work at Keeper's watch m. [Hour, a. m. or p. m.] 22. Regular day's work terminates Keeper's watch m. [Hour, a. m. or p. m.]
23. Hours worked per day as necessary 24. Days paid per week seven Shortly after 3pm
25. Date employee stopped work May 23d day of week Friday; hour of day Daylight Saving Time m. [a. m. or p. m.]
26. Date employee's pay stopped May 23 day of week Friday; hour of day close of day [a. m. or p. m.] Shortly after 3p m.

The injury.

27. Date of ~~injury~~ drowning May 23, 1924 28. Day of week Friday 29. Hour of day Daylight Saving Time m. [a. m. or p. m.]
30. Place where ~~injury~~ drowning occurred in L Gardiners Bay and off Orient Point [Give exact location, as name or number of building and division, etc.]
31. Name of machine, tool, or appliance in connection with which ~~injury~~ drowning occurred 12 ft. round bottom row and sail boat.
(a) By what kind of power driven? Hand (b) Hand feed or mechanical? - -
(c) Part on which injury occurred - -
(d) Was an improved safeguard in use at time of injury? - -
If not, is it possible to provide such safeguard? - -
(e) Was the machine, tool, or appliance out of order or ill-suited for the work? No
(f) Was employee instructed as to its use? Yes
32. Describe in full how ~~injury~~ drowning occurred While en route to Orient Point Light Station in regular Light Station row boat, which was being rowed by First Assistant Keeper John Wallwork, the boat was caught in what is known as a tide rip and becoming unmanageable capsized.
33. State part of body injured and nature and extent of injury, marking upon chart on reverse of this report site of injury Employee drowned - body not recovered up to date.
34. Did injury cause loss of any member or part of member? - - If so, describe exactly

Medical attendance.

35. Name and address of physician who first attended case - -
36. How soon after injury? - - Location - -
37. To what hospital sent? - -
38. If not sent to hospital, where sent? - -
39. Name and address of physician now attending case - -
40. Was transportation furnished at Government expense? - -
41. What is probable length of disability for work? - - [If injured employee has already returned to work, give date and hour.]

General.

42. Names and addresses of witnesses to ~~injury~~ drowning Manuel J. Freitas, Keeper, Orient Point Light Station, Orient Point, N. Y.
43. Was employee ~~injured~~ drowned while in performance of duty? Yes If not, or in doubt, give detailed statement
44. Was ~~injury~~ drowning caused by other than a Government employee or agency? No [If so, a detailed statement should be forwarded with this report.]

Signed this 29th day of May, 192 4 J. T. YATES [Signature of reporting officer]
at Staten Island, N.Y. Superintendent of Lighthouses (Third District) [Title]

GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE

Wm
~~JOHN~~ WALLWORK

Groceries, Confectionery & Cigars

193 Mechanic ~~134 MAIN~~ STREET

WESTERLY, R.I.

SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
JUL 19 1924
TREASURY DEPT.
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Mr Yates

Dear Sir

I thought I would write you a line or two to see if you have heard anything about the recovery of my Son John for I think he ought to be up before this for it is 3 weeks today since Walter Gill was found my Wife his very nervous & every time she sees his Picture she Breaks down she has been sick since Jany and I know if we could only recover the Body now she would be more content for it was quite a severe Blow to us Both the only Son we had & his Mother sick for over 7 months With heart. Liver & nervous Indegestion I hope your men are on the look out for him if so that is all they can do hoping you will be kind enough to let me know

I Remain
Yours Truly Wm Wallwork

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
STATEN ISLAND, N. Y.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

FWO:CFG

GENERAL DEPOT
OFFICE SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
3D DISTRICT, STATEN ISLAND, N. Y.

June 30, 1924.

U.S.Employees' Compensation Commission,
Washington,
D. C.

SUBJECT : Walter Gill, Machinist, Lighthouse Service, drowned May 23, 1924.

REFERENCE: Your File No. 149904.

1. You are advised that the body of Walter Gill was recovered at Fisher's Island, New York on Saturday, June 28, 1924, from which point it was transported to New London, Connecticut and thence to Brooklyn, New York, where it is understood that funeral services will be held this evening. The body was identified by a time book and other papers found in the pockets and also by a Masonic coin found in the pockets, on which were Mr. Gill's initials.

J. T. YATES,
Superintendent.

COPY FORWARDED TO F. H. FARRY FOR INFORMATION CONTAINED.

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

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
JUL 1924
RECEIVED
TOMPKINSVILLE, N.Y.

THIRD DISTRICT

L. H. T. HAWTHORN
(Station, Depot, or Vessel)

NEW LONDON, CONN. JUN 28 1924, 191

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Att'd Con

Superintendent;

Staten Isl. N. Y.

I beg to report that directly after receiving Your telephonic orders regarding the body of Walter Gill - the Coroner at Fishers Isl. called up and informed me that Capt. Peckham of the Fishers Isl. Coast Guard Station was on his way to New London with the body. I notified Robert H. Byles, a local Undertaker, who was on the Dock when the Launch with the body arrived.

While the body was beyond recognition - I recognized the Clothes and his Watch - Papers - Official lighthouse Letter note book - a masonic Coin with the initials W. G. stamped therein - established the identity beyond a doubt.

All the Papers - Watch and few little objects were turned over to the Undertaker for delivery to Mr. Gills relatives.

The Undertakers Name - is Robert H. Byles
Office - 15 Masonic Str. New London. Conn. Tel. 777-2 Ring
Residence - 273 Thames Str. Groton. Conn. Tel. 777- Ring 3.

John H. Harlowe
master L. H. T.

FWO:CFG

July 3, 1924.

Captain Peckham,
Fisher's Is. Coast Guard Sta.,
Fisher's Island, New York.

SUBJECT: Recovery of body of Walter Gill, etc.

Sir:-

This office desires to express to you its thanks and appreciation of your courtesy and assistance rendered on June 28, 1924, on which date the body of Walter Gill, formerly employed as Machinist in the Lighthouse Service, was recovered at Fisher's Island, and transported by your launch from Fisher's Island to New London, Connecticut.

Respectfully,

J. T. Yates

Superintendent.

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

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SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
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FIND BODY OF LIGHTHOUSE MAN

The certainty of a double drowning off Orient Point on Friday, May 23, was definitely established Saturday when the body of Walter Gill of Brooklyn, N. Y., one of the victims, was discovered floating in the waters of Long Island Sound off Fishers Island by the sentry at Fort H. G. Wright. With the finding of the overturned row boat used by the men on Saturday, May 24, it was taken for granted that the men had perished in the sound and failure to find any trace of them confirmed the belief.

The body was brought over in a Coast Guard lifeboat to the U. S. customs pier here and turned over to W. Everett Eagles and Griswold Lamb of the R. H. Byles undertaking parlors. Relatives of the deceased were notified by telegraph and the remains were shipped to Brooklyn by rail yesterday afternoon.

Gill was an expert mechanic in the employ of the U. S. Department of Commerce, lighthouse service, stationed at Tompkinsville, N. Y. He traveled around the coast inspecting and making repairs to the machinery operating the beacons at the various lighthouses.

Accompanied by John Wallwork, 30, assistant to the keeper of the Orient Point lighthouse, Gill set out from Orient Point in a rowboat on the afternoon of May 23 to negotiate the eighth of a mile distance to the lighthouse. The small craft was afterward caught in the tide rip and swamped.

The identity of Gill was established by personal effects found upon his person. Confirmation of his identity was made here by the finding on his person of instructions from the lighthouse service executives, service bulletins, notebooks, a calendar of Mayflower lodge, No. 961, F. and A. M. of Brooklyn, N. Y., of which he was a member; a Masonic coin of Chaldean chapter, Royal Arch Masons of Brooklyn, N. Y., with the initials W. G. thereon.

Gill was an old and experienced employe of the department of commerce and was well known to the men of the lighthouse and Coast Guard services. He was married and resided at Bedford avenue, Brooklyn. It is not known whether he left any children. Wallwork had been assistant lighthouse keeper at Orient Point lighthouse for about three months, and hailed from Westerly, R. I. His body has not been found.

Superintendent

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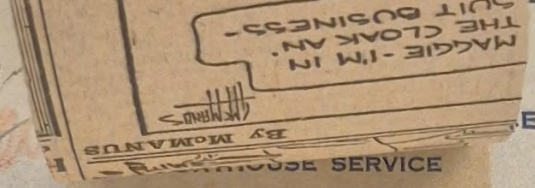
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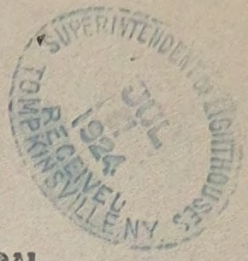
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LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR
TOMPKINSVILLE, N. Y.





THIRD DISTRICT

L. H. T. HAWTHORN
(Station, Depot, or Vessel)

JUL 1 - 1924, 191

Superintendent;
Staten Isl. N. Y.

Enclosed please find clipping
of the New London Day of June 30. 1924.

John H. Kehoe
Master L. H. T

SUPERINTENDENT OF ALMSHOUSES
JUN 30 1924
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TOMPKINSVILLE, N.Y.

June 30 1924

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Funeral Services of Walter Gill will be held at 493 Tompkins Ave Brooklyn NY at 8 O'clock tonight

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FWO:CFG

June 30, 1924.

U.S.Employees' Compensation Commission,
Washington,
D. C.

SUBJECT : Walter Gill, Machinist, Lighthouse Service, drowned May 23, 1924.

REFERENCE: Your File No. 149904.

1. You are advised that the body of Walter Gill was recovered at Fisher's Island, New York on Saturday, June 28, 1924, from which point it was transported to New London, Connecticut and thence to Brooklyn, New York, where it is understood that funeral services will be held this evening. The body was identified by a time book and other papers found in the pockets and also by a Masonic coin found in the pockets, on which were Mr. Gill's initials.

J. T. YATES,
Superintendent.

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FWO:CFG June 30, 1924.

Copy forwarded to Commissioner for information contained.

J. T. YATES.

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FWO:CFG June 30, 1924.

COpy forwarded to J. F. Chumasero, % Royal Distributing Co., Inc., 100 East 42nd St., New York, N. Y. for information contained.

J. T. YATES,
Respectfully,

J. T. YATES,
Superintendent.

COPY FORWARDED TO F. H. FARRY FOR INFORMATION CONTAINED.

Form 56

TELEGRAM

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

IDENTIFICATION CARD NO._____

RECEIVER'S No.	TIME FILED	CHECK
		PAID, GOVERNMENT RATE

OFFICIAL BUSINESS—EXEMPT FROM TAX

Staten Island N Y June 28 1924,
(Place and date)

SEND TO Master Lighthouse tender Pansy

Newport R I

Cills body recovered landed New London by Hawthorn

YATES

CHARGE BUREAU Supt Lighthouses, WASHINGTON, D. C.

APPROPRIATION FOR "GENERAL EXPENSES, LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE."

ATTEST:

J. T. YATES
Superintendent of Lighthouses,
(Name)
Staten Island, N. Y.
(Title)

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Feb 4/27.
T.C

UNITED STATES EMPLOYEES' COMPENSATION COMMISSION
F BUILDING, SEVENTH AND B STREETS
WASHINGTON

COMMISSIONERS,
BESSIE P. BRUEGGEMAN
CHAIRMAN
CHAS. H. VERRILL
JNO. J. KEEGAN

S. R. GOLIBART, JR.
SECRETARY

June 26, 1924.

In reply refer to File No. 149904

Mrs. Julia A. Gill,
1084 Bedford Ave.,
Brooklyn, N.Y.

Dear Madam:

Referring to your claim for compensation on account of the death of your husband, Walter Gill, machinist, General Lighthouse Depot, Staten Island, N.Y., fatally injured May 23, 1924, your claim has been approved and an award of $35.00 per month made to you so long as you remain unmarried. This award represents the maximum amount that can be allowed under the law.

A check in payment of compensation covering the period of May 24, 1924 to June 30, 1924, inclusive, will go forward to you July 1st.

There is inclosed herewith a supply of forms to be used in claiming further compensation. A claim should be prepared by you on October 1st to cover the period of July 1 to September 30, 1924, inclusive. Each claim should be acknowledged before the superintendent of your nearest postal station and forwarded to the Commission in the franked envelopes herewith. Claims should be prepared each year on the first of the following months:

January
April
July
October

covering the preceding quarter and forwarded in the foregoing manner.

Checks will be mailed to you on the first and sixteenth of each month to cover the half month just past. If your status should change, and a check reaches you in payment of compensation, you should return same immediately to this office, accompanied by an explanation.

If claims are not prepared and forwarded by you on the foregoing dates, it will be assumed that your status has changed and that you are not, therefore, entitled to further compensation.

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SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
JUN 27 1924
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If the body of your husband is recovered you should advise the Commission at once, so the burial expenses may have attention.

This letter should be retained by you as evidence of the award which has been made and the instructions herein carefully complied with in order to insure the making of prompt payments.

Very truly yours,

Jno J Kingan
Commissioner.

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Official copy forwarded the Superintendent of Lighthouses, Staten Island, New York.

Jno J Kingan
Commissioner.

FHF:LW.

June 6, 1924.

Mrs. Julia A. Gill,
1084 Bedford Avenue,
Brooklyn, N.Y.

Dear Madam:

1. Returned herewith is certified copy of your marriage certificate with a request that the Notary attach his seal thereto. As soon as this has been accomplished please return the copy promptly to this office.

Respectfully,

Superintendent.

Encl.-Copy

FHF:MR.

June 4, 1924.

Mrs. Julius A. Gill,
1084 Bedford Avenue,
Bklyn., N. Y.

SUBJECT: Claim for compensation.

REFERENCE: Form C.A. 5 submitted by you on May 31, 1924.

Dear Madam:-

Please forward to this office as soon as possible, a certified copy of marriage certificate in order that same may be forwarded to Washington with the claim heretofore submitted by you.

Respectfully,

J. T. YATES.

Superintendent.

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Revised to Dec. 10, 1917

CLAIM FOR COMPENSATION ON ACCOUNT OF DEATH

TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE UNITED STATES EMPLOYEES' COMPENSATION COMMISSION, WASHINGTON, D. C., through official channels, WITHIN ONE MONTH after death occurred. If not so submitted, an explanation of the delay must accompany the claim.

The persons to whom compensation may be paid are:

(*a*) The widow who was living with or dependent for support upon the deceased employee at the time of his death.
(*b*) The widower who was dependent upon the deceased employee at the time of her death.
(*c*) The unmarried children under 18, and those over 18 who are incapable of self-support.
(*d*) Parents partially or wholly dependent upon the deceased employee for support.
(*e*) Unmarried brothers, sisters, or grandchildren under 18 years of age, and those over 18 who are incapable of self-support, and who were wholly or partially dependent upon the deceased employee.
(*f*) Grandparents wholly or partially dependent upon the deceased employee.

Under the law, the term "child" includes stepchildren, adopted children, and posthumous children, but does not include married children. The terms "brother" and "sister" include stepbrothers and stepsisters, half brothers and half sisters, and brothers and sisters by adoption, but do not include married brothers or sisters. All of the above terms and the term "grandchild" include only persons who at the time of the death of the deceased employee are under 18 years of age or over that age and incapable of self-support. The term "parent" includes step-parents and parents by adoption. The term "widow" includes only the decedent's wife living with or dependent for support upon him at the time of his death. The term "widower" includes only the decedent's husband dependent for support upon her at the time of her death. The terms "adopted" and "adoption" as used in this law include only legal adoption prior to the time of the injury.

The claim should be signed by the person making the claim or his duly authorized representative. There should be given the names and addresses of all persons who may be entitled to compensation on account of death, together with the address of the person making the claim, which should be sworn to by the person entitled to compensation, or by the person authorized to act on his behalf.

Oaths of claimants residing in foreign countries should be made before a United States consular officer or secretary of legation; or, if before a local official, a certificate of such United States consular official or secretary of legation showing the authority of the local official to administer oaths should be annexed.

A certified copy of the death certificate should accompany this claim. If, for any reason, it can not be secured, give full explanation at the bottom of this sheet.

If the relationship to the decedent of any person entitled to claim compensation is that of adoption, a certified copy of the order of adoption should accompany this claim.

Itemized bills in duplicate covering the medical and burial expenses should be submitted with the claim.

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1. Full name of deceased employee Walter Gill
2. Age 52 3. Sex Male 4. Occupation Machinist
5. Was deceased able to speak English? Yes 6. If not, what language? - -
7. Time of ~~injury~~ drowning (*a*) May (Month.) (*b*) 23rd (Day.) (*c*) 1924 (Year.) (*d*) shortly after 3 P. M. (Hour, a. m. or p. m.) (Daylight Saving time)
8. Place where ~~injury~~ drowning occurred in Gardiners Bay off Orient Pt. (Place or establishment, as "post office," "navy yard," etc.)
9. Nature and extent of injury - -
10. Date of death May 23rd, 1924
11. Place where death occurred in Gardiners Bay off Orient Point Light Sta.
12. Rate of pay of deceased employee at the time of injury which resulted in death, $ 7.307 per day and subsistence valued at $ 1.50 per day while at light stations.
13. Relationship to the deceased of the person claiming to be entitled to compensation widow
14. Did deceased leave any other relatives entitled to compensation? No If so, give names, addresses, age, and relationship below.

(See instructions at top of form for classes of persons entitled to compensation.)

Name.	*Address.*	*Age.*	*Relationship.*

I HEREBY CERTIFY that each and every statement set forth above is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Name: Mrs Julia A. Gill

Address: 1084 Bedford Ave. (Street and number.)

Brooklyn, (City.) N. Y. (State.)

State of New York
County of New York } ss:

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 31st day of May, 1924

A. D. Fackner
(Signature of official administering oath.)

(Title.) (In and for.)

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AFFIDAVIT IN SUPPORT OF CLAIM OF WIDOW OR WIDOWER.

(If there is no surviving widow or widower, but there are children living under 18 years of age, the guardian of such children should fill out first and second pages of this form, omitting only information called for by questions 2, 3, and 4 on this page.)

NOTICE. Section 39 of the Compensation Act of September 7, 1916, provides that whoever makes, in any claim for compensation, any statement, knowing it to be false, shall be guilty of perjury and shall be punished by a fine of not more than $2,000, or by imprisonment for not more than one year, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

AFFIDAVIT IN SUPPORT OF CLAIM under the provisions of the Compensation Act of September 7, 1916, is hereby made by the undersigned:

1. Full name of deceased employee Walter Gill

2. Date of marriage to deceased employee November 21st. 1901
(A certified copy of the marriage certificate should be attached hereto.)

3. Date of birth of claimant: (a) January 21/1873 (Month.) (b) ____ (Date.) (c) ____ (Year.)

4. Number of children now living who are the issue of said marriage None

5. Number of children now living who were under 18 years of age at time of decedent's death None

6. Full names and dates of birth of children mentioned in reply to Question 5: None
(A certified copy of the birth record of each child named herein should accompany this claim.)

Name.	*Date of birth.*

7. Have the above-named children a guardian? None 8. If so, give name and address of such guardian of each child (and furnish certified copy of appointment as guardian) ____

I HEREBY CERTIFY that each and every statement set forth above is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Name: Mrs. Julia A. Gill

Address: 1084 Bedford Ave., (Street and number.)

Brooklyn (City.), N. Y. (State.)

State of New York }
County of New York } ss:

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 31 day of May, 1924

NOTARY PUBLIC

A. D. Fackner
(Signature of official administering oath.)

Kings County No. 27
Certificate filed in New York County No. 36 (Title.), ____ (In and for.)
New York County Register's No. 9—026 6104

(SEAL)

AFFIDAVIT IN SUPPORT OF CLAIM OF DEPENDENTS OTHER THAN WIDOW OR WIDOWER AND CHILDREN UNDER 18.

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COPY:MR.

COPY

THIS CERTIFIES

THAT ON THE 21ST DAY OF NOVEMBER

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD 1901

WALTER GILL and

JULIA A. FACKNER

WERE BY ME UNITED IN

HOLY MATRIMONY

AT BROOKLYN, N.Y.

ACCORDING TO THE ORDINANCE OF GOD

AND THE LAWS OF NEW YORK.

Witnesses,

Robert McAfee

Geo.F. Shaddock

Rev. T. J. Whitaker,

Brooklyn.

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT THIS IS A COPY OF

THE ORIGINAL MARRIAGE CERTIFICATE.

JUN 9 1924

A. D. FACKNER
NOTARY PUBLIC

Kings County No. 27
Certificate filed in New York
County No. 36

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UNITED STATES EMPLOYEES' COMPENSATION COMMISSION

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In reply refer to File No. _____

Mr. William Wallwork
68½ Mechanic Street
Westerly, Rhode Island.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the case of John Wallwork, assistant keeper under the U. S. Lighthouse Service, Orient Point Light Station, New York, who was drowned May 23, 1924.

Inasmuch as the period of eight years expired in your case on May 23, 1932, no payments will be made to you as father of the deceased after that date.

On or about June 3, 1932, a check went forward to you in payment of compensation from May 16 to May 23, 1932, inclusive, in the amount of $5.52.

It is a mandatory provision of the Compensation Act that compensation paid on account of a father must not exceed a period of eight years. The Commission has no discretion in the matter.

Very truly yours

W. R. Carpenter
Chief Claim Examiner

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Official copy forwarded to the Superintendent of Lighthouses, Staten Island, New York.

W. R. Carpenter
Chief Claim Examiner

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May 28, 1924.

Mr. William Wallwork,
193 Mechanic Street,
Westerly, R. I.

SUBJECT : John Wallwork, First Assistant Keeper of Orient Point Light Station.

REFERENCE: Telegram from this office of May 24, 1924..

Sir:-

1. You are advised that the matter of the accidental drowning of John Wallwork, First Assistant Keeper of Orient Point Light Station, and Walter Gill, Machinist has been investigated and extended search has also been made, but up to the present time the bodies have not been recovered, although the boat in which the two men were enroute to Orient Point Light Station was recovered on May 25th on the shore of Bisher's Island.

2. The investigation of the matter indicates that the accident occurred under the following circumstances:-

Assistant Keeper Wallwork left the station in the twelve foot round bottom boat to obtain mail and provisions; the boat was fully equipped with oars and rowlocks and was in good condition for the purpose, had four oars and rowlocks, it was considered to be a good chance for making the trip, the landing was made at the customary place on beach nearest point to the station, and the Assistant Keeper proceeded to the Post Office and grocery store. While he was absent from the beach a man appeared on beach near boat, and it is supposed that seeing the station boat he believed that one of the keepers was on shore and he waited for his return, which occurred at about 3:00 P.M. daylight time.

Both men were seen to leave the shore in the boat and the Keeper noted that the boat was not taking the course usually followed in going to station from shore on the ebb tide. He tried to signal them to change their course but apparently the signals were not seen by the occupants of the boat as the course

of the boat was not changed and it very soon became evident that the boat was in the tide rip and in great peril, and being rapidly carried past the station into Gardiners Bay; as the boat neared the station the men shouted for help and the Assistant Keeper began waving one of the oars to attract attention.

The keeper seeing that the boat was out of control and being swept away on the tide, telephoned the Orient Point Coast Guard Station for help and then launched the other station boat in order to attempt a rescue single handed. As he was lowering his boat he observed that the other boat was about 250 feet from the station, and before his boat struck the water the other boat capsized. Keeper Freitas pulled his boat to as near as possible to the spot where accident occurred but the boat and the men had completely disappeared.

3. The Coast Guard boat cruised around the vicinity for two hours without discovering any trace of men, boat or oars, and a motor boat from Fort Terry also made search for about an hour, but without success. The Lighthouse Tender Hawthorn has spent several days searching for the bodies of the two men, but without success. Should any additional information whatever be received or obtained in reference to this matter, you will be promptly advised.

4. The unfortunate occurrence of May 23rd, 1924, which resulted in the drowning of Mr. Wallwork is indeed deeply regretted and this office desires to take this opportunity to express to you and to Mrs. Wallwork its sympathy in your bereavement.

Respectfully,

J. T. Yates

Superintendent.