LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE/LIFESAVING SERVICE—RECORDS CHECKED

Employee Name: White, Rutherford B **DOB:** 1895 MO

Records checked:

Agency: Commerce 6028	Area: Bay 10, Lower Catwalk	positive	negative
Agency: Commerce 6029	Area: Bay 10, Lower Catwalk	positive	negative
Agency: Old Commerce	Area: Bay 10, Lower Catwalk	positive	negative

AND

Agency: Treasury 2189	Area: Bay 13, Lower Catwalk	positive	negative
Agency: Treasury 2188	Area: Bay 13, Lower Catwalk	positive	negative
Agency: Old Treasury	Area: Bay 13, Lower Catwalk	positive	negative

If Negative:

Agency: Treasury SRCs series 1	Area: Bay 13, Lower Catwalk	positive	negative
Agency: Treasury SRCs series 2	Area: Bay 13, Lower Catwalk	positive	negative
Agency: Treasury SRCs series 3	Area: Bay 13, Lower Catwalk	positive	negative
Agency: Coast Guard SRCs	Area: Bay 13, Lower Catwalk	positive	negative

If Negative:

CMRS: possible CG service	Area: _____	positive	negative
ARCIS: _____	Area: _____	positive	negative

Notes: _____

Rutherford B. White

Rutherford B. White

LEGAL RESIDENCE
California

ACTIVE

STATUS

DESIGNATION	SALARY	BUREAU OR OFFICE	DATE OF EFFECT OF ACTION AUTHORIZED
Keeper (Prob't) Pt. Sur. L.S. Cal.	660	L.H.	Nov. 8, 1922
" "	720	"	Aug 25. 1923
" "	780	"	Nov 1, 1923
" trans Southampton Shoal	960	"	Jan 1, 1924
" (Readjustment) L.H.S.	1200	"	JUL 1 1924
RESIGNED CLOSE OF	Date to be reported Sept. 9, 1924.		

ACTIVE

Form 73 AME CHIEF CLERK

NOMINATION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

1922 NOV 11 PM 2 16

TWELFTH DISTRICT U.S. 1922 NOV 9 PM 3 54 SAN FRANCISCO

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES, 18th DISTRICT.

San Francisco, California (City.) November 2 (Date.) 19 22

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE NOV 11 1922 APPOINTMENT

COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:
(Through the District Secretary)

Action recommended, Prob appt

Name, Rutherford B. White — Legal residence, California

Position, Keeper (3rd Asst.) — Salary, $560. A

Location, Pt. Sur Light Station Cal — Appropriation, Salaries of Keepers

Effective November 8, 1922 — [1] ~~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, 2 — Assistant Lighthouse Rating, Keeper — Percentage, 80.0 , Other eligibles considered:
William F. Wilkinson - C
Norris H. Hilton - C

Previous incumbent, Harmon A. Day — Services terminated, Oct. 31, 1922.

Reason, Promoted

Members of family in Government Service, None

Remarks: BORN - November 6, 1896 - Emergency case in accordance with Circular No.313 - Necessary for the safeguarding of life and property.

Selection regular, subject to the action of the U. S. Civil Service Commission, NOV 3 1922 , 19

For and in the absence of the Superintendent

C. L. Snyder
Secretary, Twelfth Civil Service District.

D. J. Otter
1st Assistant Superintendent

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BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON
NOV 10 1922

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

J. S. CONWAY
Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses.

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

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CERTIFICATE OF PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

November 13, 1922.

Mr. Rutherford B. White,

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 Six Hundred and Sixty dollars per annum, effective on the date on which you entered upon duty in the above-mentioned position.

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

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

APPOINTMENT DIVISION ENTERED NOV 13 1922 ON JOURNAL DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

CARDED

U. S. REPORT DATA ENTERED

Acting Chief of Appointment Division.

Appropriation: Salaries, Keepers of Lighthouses.

Vice: Harmon A. Day.

Legal Residence: California.

(See reverse side.)

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OATH OF OFFICE

(Prescribed by Section 1757, Revised Statutes)

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHTHOUSES

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE NOV 28 1922 APPOINTMENT DIVISION. 1922 NOV 28 AM 9 04

I, Rutherford B. White

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.

Rutherford B. White
(Appointee signs here)

[2] Sworn to (See below) and subscribed before me, this [3] 9th day of November, A. D. 19 22

(Affix official seal here)

[4] (*Name*) W. W. Rhodes

(*Official title*) Chief Clerk, 18th L.H.District

~~My commission expires~~

Official Title	Rate of Pay	Name of Station, Vessel, or Place of Employment.
Present Keeper (3rd Asst)	$660. A	Pt. Sur Light Station, California
Former [5] -	-	-

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

CARDED

Office of Superintendent of Lighthouses, 18th District

San Francisco, California, November 23rd, 1922
(Address) (Date)

The above-named appointee entered upon duty on November 8th, 1922
(Date)

W. W. Rhodes
Superintendent of Lighthouses.
(Signature followed by title)

[1] Insert here "swear" or "affirm," as the case may be.
[2] Insert here "sworn to" or "affirmed," as the case may be.
[3] The oath may be taken any time 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

1922 NOV 28 PM 3 41

PERSONAL QUESTION SHEET

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE NOV 28 1922 DIVISION

1922 NOV 28 AM 9 04

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 Rutherford B. White

2. Position to which appointed Keeper (3rd Assistant)

3. Bureau or Service Lighthouse Service, District 18th

4. Place of duty Pt. Sur Light Station, California
(City, town, station, or vessel.)

5. Salary $660. A

6. Appropriation from which paid Salaries of Keepers

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 Assistant Lighthouse Keeper Examination Oct. 20, 1922

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. Rutherford Benjamin White

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

Rutherford B. White

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

Calif. (State or Territory.) San Francisco (County.) San Francisco (City or town.) ——— (Congressional district.)

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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.

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

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6. Where were you born? Cedar Co. Mo.

7. When were you born? Nov. (Month.) 6 (Day.) 1896 (Year.)

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

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

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

Melissa E. White (Name.) R.F.D. 7, Box 198 (Number and street.)

Springfield (City or town.) Mo. (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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		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.
E. Co. 27th Inf.	Oct. 28, 1914	Aug. 13, 1919	Expiration of Service

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.
See above			

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.

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.)

Plumbing

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.")

Plumbing- Painter Mechanical work

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

Assistant Lighthouse Keeper examination Oct. 20. 1922

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, ..., 19.....

Witness (in case signature is by mark):

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(Signature) Ruthford Benjamin White

(Present address) 832 Great Highway
(Number and street.)

San Francisco (City or town.) Calif. (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 San Francisco, Nov. 23rd, 19 22

(Signature) H. W. Rhodes.

(Official title) Superintendent of Lighthouses.

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Form 73 LIGHTHOUSES

CHIEF CLERK

1923 AUG 30 AM 9 34

NOMINATION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

1923 AUG 29 AM 11 58

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES, 18th DISTRICT,

San Francisco, California, August 23rd, 1923.
(City.) (Date.)

COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AUG 30 1923 APPOINTMENT DIVISION.

Action recommended, Promotion

Name, Rutherford B. White — Legal residence, California

Position, Keeper (2nd Asst.) — Salary, $720.00 A.

Location, Point Sur Light Station Cal — Appropriation, Salaries of Keepers

Effective August 25th, 1923. — {the actual date of entrance on duty, or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty.

Former position, Keeper (3rd Asst.) — Former salary, $660.00 A.

Location, Point Sur Light Station Cal

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

APPOINTMENT DIVISION NECESSARY ACTION TAKEN SEP - 1 1923 DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Previous incumbent, Harmon A. Day — Services terminated, August 16,1923

Reason, Resigned

Members of family in Government Service, None

Date of birth, November 6, 1896.

Remarks: Emergency case in accordance with Circular #313. Necessary for the safeguarding of life and property. Necessary to take up regular watches at earliest possible date and relieve other Keepers.

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

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Secretary, Civil Service District.

H. W. Rhodes.
Superintendent of Lighthouses.

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BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

AUG 29 1923

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

J. S. CONWAY
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

Mr. Rutherford B. White, August 31, 1923.

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

You are advised that your salary as keeper in the Lighthouse Service has been changed from $ 660 per annum to $ 720 per annum, effective August 25, 1923.

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,

(SIGNED) CLIFFORD HASTINGS

Chief of Appointment Division.

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NOMINATION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

CHIEF CLERK

1923 OCT 26 AM 11 11

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES, 18th DISTRICT,

San Francisco, California, October 20th, 1923.
(City.) (Date.)

COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

Action recommended, Promotion

Name, Rutherford B. White — Legal residence, California

Position, Keeper, (1st Asst.) — Salary, $780.00 A.

Location, Point Sur Light Station — Appropriation, Salaries of Keepers

Effective November 1, 1923 — {1 the actual date of entrance on duty, ~~or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty.~~

Former position, Keeper (2nd Asst.) — Former salary, $720.00

Location, Point Sur Light Station

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

Previous incumbent, Louis A. Sylvia — Services terminated, October 31,1923.

Reason, Resigned

Members of family in Government Service, None

Date of birth, November 6, 1896

Remarks:

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

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Secretary, Civil Service District.

H. W. Rhodes.
Superintendent of Lighthouses.

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

OCT 25 1923

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

J. S. CONWAY
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

October 26, 1923.

M r. Rutherford B. White,

Through the Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

You are advised that your salary as keeper in the Lighthouse Service has been changed from $ 720 per annum to $ 780 per annum, effective November 1, 1923.

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

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

EDW. J. GARDNER,

Acting Chief of Appointment Division.

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NOMINATION

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

CHIEF CLERK

1924 JAN 5 AM 11 03

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES, ... DISTRICT.

San Francisco, California, December 27th, 1923
(City.) (Date.)

COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE JAN 3 1924 DISBURSEMENT DIVISION

Action recommended, Transfer and Promotion.

Name, Rutherford B. White. Legal residence, California.

Position, Keeper. Salary, ($840.00 per annum.) 960 pay of position since 2a. 1/2/24.

Location, Southampton Shoal Light Station. Cal Appropriation, Salaries of Keepers.

Effective January 1st, 1924 {~~the actual date of entrance on duty~~, or as soon thereafter as he enters on duty.

Former position, (First Assistant) Keeper. Former salary, $780.00 per annum.

Location, Point Sur Light Station, California.

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

Previous incumbent, Oscar Thornberg. Services terminated, December 31st, 1923.

Reason, Resignation.

Members of family in Government Service, None.

Date of birth, November 6, 1896.

Remarks: Emergency case in accordance with Circular 313. Necessary for the safe guarding of life and property. Necessary to take up regular watches at earliest possible date and relieve other keepers.

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

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H. W. Rhodes.

Secretary, Civil Service District.

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

JAN 2 1924

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

J. S. CONWAY
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

January 3, 1924.

Mr. Rutherford B. White,

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 $ 960 per annum, effective January 1, 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,

EDW. J. GARDNER,

Acting Chief of Appointment Division.

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LIGHTHOUSES

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

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

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
JAN 17 1924
DIVISION

January 10,1924.

Commissioner of Lighthouses.

1. Referring to Department letter of January 3, 1924, advising Rutherford B. White that his salary as keeper in the Lighthouse Service has been changed from $780.00 to $960.00 per annum,effective January 1, 1924, or as soon thereafter as he entered on duty.

2. The Bureau is advised that Rutherford B. White entered on duty as keeper in the Lighthouse Service,with salary at the rate of $960.00 per annum, on January 1, 1924.

For and in the absence of the Superintendent.

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Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington.

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Submitted to Secretary of Commerce for his information

JAN 16 1924

CARDED

J. S. CONWAY
Acting Commissioner

T. D. REPORT DATE
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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
Lighthouse Service

Office of Superintendent, 18th Dist.
Customhouse
San Francisco, Calif.
February 15, 1924

WW:EMA

Claim of R. B. White

Commissioner of Lighthouses.

1. R. B.White, formerly First Assistant Keeper at Point Sur Light Station, Calif., was transferred and promoted to the position of Keeper, Southampton Shoal Light Station on January 1, 1924. After White had proceeded to Southampton Shoal Light Station, the Lighthouse Tender MADRONO stopped at Point Sur Light Station, bound north for San Francisco, on January 5th to take aboard White's furniture and household equipment. One sling load was dropped from the station landing into the water. Several boxes were picked up by the crew inthe surf boat and others were lost.

2. John Astrom, Keeper Point Sur Light Station, reported that the nut that holds the brake band to the lever jarred loose and that he could not stop the load after it had started down the incline to the landing.

3. There is enclosed a list submitted by White showing the property lost and damaged, the total loss claimed being $518.70.

4. The Act of December 28, 1922, page 1066, provides for the head of each department to consider, ascertain, adjust and determine any claim on account of damages to or loss of privately owned property where the amount of the claim does not exceed $1000.00 and which loss or damage was caused by the negligence of any official or employe of the Government acting within the scope of his employment. It would seem fair to assume that the loss of White's furniture was due to negligence on the part of the Keeper, either in the proper operation of the station hoist or in failing to have the hoist in a safe operating condition. It is therefore recommended that White's claim be approved and certified to Congress as a legal claim for payment.

(SIGNED) H. W. Rhodes

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington, D. C.
March 3, 1924

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2 Incl.

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, with recommendation that the inclosed claim of Mr. White in the sum of $518.90 be approved by the Department if correct and that the same be transmitted to the Director of the Bureau of the Budget for transmission to Congress for appropriation in accordance with the act of December 28, 1922 (42 Stat.1066).

(SIGNED) G. R. Putnam
Commissioner of Lighthouses

Copy **March 7, 1924.**
Respectfully transmitted to the Disbursing Clerk.

EDW. J. GARDNER.

p **ACTING CHIEF OF APPOINTMENT DIVISION.**

(CROSS REFERENCE)

White, Rutherford B. In accordance with authority of the Director of the Budget dated June 27, 1924, the salary is re-adjusted to $1200, effective July 1, 1924.

For authorization see letter dated JUL 16 1924 File No. 1095/21.

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NOTICE OF RESIGNATION OR DEATH

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE SEP 15 1924 APPOINTMENT DIVISION
LIGHTHOUSES 1924 SEP 10 PM 12 03
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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES, 18TH DISTRICT,

San Francisco, California, September 5th 1924

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE SEP 11 1924 APPOINTMENT DIVISION

COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES:

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

Name, Rutherford B. White Position, Keeper

Legal residence, California Station, Southampton Shoal Light Station

Salary, $1200.00 per annum

The acceptance of this resignation is recommended effective at the close of a date to be hereafter determined.

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

Remarks:

APPOINTMENT DIVISION NECESSARY ACTION TAKEN SEP 16 1924 DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

H. W. Rhodes
Superintendent of Lighthouses.

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

SEP 10 1924

9-11-24 Inclosure

Submitted to the Secretary of Commerce, approved.

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Mar. Eng.
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Law and Prop.
Adm Asst.
Dep. Comr.
Comr.

APPROVED: J. W. Gilbert
ACTING ASSISTANT SECRETARY

J. Clinton
Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses.

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHTHOUSE SUPERINTENDENT
SEP -2 1924
SAN FRANCISCO

LIGHTHOUSES
SEP 10 PM 12

EIGHTEENTH DISTRICT

Southampton Shoal
(Station, Depot, or Vessel.)

Aug. 30, 1924

Superintendent of Lighthouses.

Sir.

Please accept my resignation to take effect on September the tenth.

Respectfully

R. B. White

Keeper

Will accept. Ont/ar date 6

the Retirement

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
APPOINTMENT DIVISION
WASHINGTON

September 11, 1924.

Mr. Rutherford B. White,
Through the
Commissioner of Lighthouses.

Sir:

The Department is in receipt of your resignation from the position designated below, and has accepted the same, upon recommendation of the bureau, to take effect at the close of business on adate to be determined later and reported to the Department.

Bureau..... Lighthouses.

Station..... Southampton Shoal Light Station.

Position..... Keeper.

Salary..... $1,200 per annum.

By direction of the Secretary:

Respectfully,

APPOINTMENT DIVISION ENTERED SEP 16 1924 ON JOURNAL DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

EDW. J. GARDNER,
Acting Chief of Appointment Division.

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18th

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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
WASHINGTON

CHIEF CLERK
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LIGHTHOUSE SUPERINTENDENT
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SAN FRANCISCO

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
JUL 1 1926
APPOINTMENT DIVISION

June 14, 1926.

LIGHTHOUSES

1926 JUN 24 PM 9 01

Superintendent of Lighthouses, San Francisco, Calif.

Referring to your recommendation of September 4, 1924, for the appointment of Rutherford P. White as keeper, Southampton Shoal Light Station:

It does not appear that the effective date of this appointment has been reported and it is requested that it be submitted promptly.

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Radio
Engr. Dept.
Insp. Engr.
Personnel
Financial
Law and Prob.
Adm. Asst.
Dep. Comm.
Comm.

E. C. GILLETTE

Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses.

OFFICE, SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES, SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF., JUNE 18, 1926.
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CARDED

Returned to Commissioner.

Rutherford B. White entered on duty at Southampton Shoal Light Station as Keeper effective January 1, 1924, as per nomination from this office dated December 27, 1923, Notice from the Department dated Janyary 3, 1924, and letter from this office dated January 10, 1924. He resigned from the service at the close of September 9, 1924, as per Notice of Resignation from this office dated September 5, 1924; the date of resignation was not reported by this office.

Eff. Date resignation
Sept. 9, 1924.

H. W. Rhodes.

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APPOINTMENT DIVISION ENTERED JUL 13 1926 DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Bureau of Lighthouses, Washington
JUN 29 1926

Submitted to Secretary of Commerce for his information.

Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses.

APPROVED:

ACTING ASSISTANT SECRETARY.

CROSS REFERENCE

SEE FILE--464/16/ D#1

NAME White, Rutherford B. POSITION Keeper

BUREAU LIGHTHOUSES STATION 18th District

CIRCULAR #11----9/15/23

BASE PAY	Bonus	Total	Allowances			As Classified for estimate purposes			Recommendations regarding differential from standard rates		
			Items	Value	Aggregate	Service	Grade	Pay	Is differential recommended	Amt. per annum to be Added	Amt. per annum to be Subtracted
720	240	960	XCR	404.25	1364.25	LHS	3	1140	Yes	60-a	

CIRCULAR #13----11/13/23 Approved $1140

GRADE RECOMMENDED 5

RANGE OF COMPENSATION RECOMMENDED FROM $1140 TO 5 1350

PERSONNEL CLASSIFICATION BOARD FORM NO. 1
(To be filled out in accordance with detailed instruction sheet, Form No. 2)

Sheet No. 91

2—12758

DO NOT WRITE IN THIS SPACE			
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1. White (Surname) Rutherford (Given name) B. (Initial)
2. Department Commerce
3. Bureau Lighthouse
4. Field Service Lighthouse
5. (a) Field Station 18th Lighthouse District
   (b) Subdivision Point Sur Light Station
   (c) City or town Monterey (P.O.) State Calif.
6. Pay-roll title Lighthouse Keeper
7. Customary office title Third Assistant Keeper

8. (a) Number of regular working hours of the position, per day 8 to 10; per week 56 to 70
   (b) If this is not a full-time position, state percentage of time employed per day ; or per week
   (c) If night work, wholly or in part, state the hours: From Average 4 hrs. Time of night changes with watches m. to m.
9. If this is not an all-year-round position, state approximate number of days employed each year
   During what months
10. If the employee receives compensation from any other branch of the Federal Government, or from any city, county, or State government, state the position held and the compensation None
11. Present rate of pay, exclusive of bonus $660.00 per annum; bonus, $240.00 per annum.
12. Rate of pay, exclusive of bonus, on January 1, 1923, $660.00 per annum; bonus, $240.00 per annum.
13. If the employee receives overtime pay, state the rate None allowed
14. Title of appropriation or fund from which basic compensation is paid Salaries of Keepers of Lighthouses
15. Indicate by an "X" in the proper box any of the following allowances received, in addition to salary or wages: ☐ Quarters; ☐ 3 meals per day; ☐ 2 meals per day; ☐ 1 meal per day; ☒ Subsistence or rations in kind; ☐ Uniform; ☐ Laundry; ☐ Fuel; ☒ Light; ☐ Heat. If cash allowances are made for any of these items, state which items and the amounts per annum
    $164.25 in cash as commutation of rations.
16. Indicate what special equipment, if any, the employee is required by law or regulation to furnish at his own expense, and the approximate annual maintenance cost to the employee:
    Kind of equipment Uniform; annual cost, $5.00 per annum
17. Extent of employee's education. (Place an "X" in the box before the highest grade or year.)
    (a) Elementary school; years ☐ 1 ☐ 2 ☐ 3 ☐ 4 ☐ 5 ☐ 6 ☒ 7 ☐ 8
    (b) High school; years ☐ 1 ☐ 2 ☐ 3 ☐ 4
    (c) Business school; years ☐ ½ ☐ 1 ☐ 1½ ☐ 2 ☐ 2½ ☐ 3
    (d) College: Name ; years ☐ 1 ☐ 2 ☐ 3 ☐ 4
    (e) Post graduate work: Kind ; years ☐ 1 ☐ 2 ☐ 3
    (f) Correspondence courses: Kind ; number of lessons ; number completed

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

	Percentage of total time given to each task
1. Stands light and fog signal watches day and night, including Sundays and holidays. Starting and operating fog signal plant in foggy weather.	67%
2. Works with other keepers in general maintenance and repair of station grounds, buildings, landing, machinery, etc.	33%

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

Works under immediate supervision of keeper or first assistant.

20. Do the duties involve direction or supervision of the work of other employees? No.
If so, describe the nature of the direction or supervision and give the number and classes of employees directed or supervised.

21. How long have the employee's duties been substantially as described above? Since November 8, 1922.

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

June 1st, 1923. (Date) — H. W. RHODES (Signature of Preparing Officer) — Superintendent. (Title)

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

(Signature of Employee)

THE FOLLOWING TO BE FILLED OUT BY THE HEAD OF THE FIELD OFFICE OR STATION

24. Indicate by an "X" in the proper spaces below the qualifications and personal traits considered important for the satisfactory performance of the duties of this position:

	High Degree	Average	Not Essential
Judgment		X	
Accuracy	X		
Initiative (originality and resourcefulness)		X	
Trustworthiness (dependability)	X		
Speed (quickness)		X	
Physical Qualities (strength and endurance)	X		

Educational Training	Essential	Desirable But Not Essential
College		
High School		X
Common School	X	

Technical Education: If essential, kind and extent

Experience: If essential, kind and extent Miscellaneous mechanical and boating experience.

25. I hereby certify that I have read the foregoing and that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the statements made are accurate and complete. In my judgment the compensation of this position should be in a range from $ 900.00 to $ 1020.00

June 1st, 1923. (Date) — H. W. RHODES (Signature of head of field office or station) — Superintendent. (Title)

GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE 2—12758

WW:LH
Encl.

Jan. 8, 1925.

Mr. Rutherford B. White,
1350 Thomas Avenue,
San Francisco, Calif.

Dear Sir:-

1. There is enclosed voucher in the sum of $479.90 covering the approved value of your personal property lost and damaged while being landed into boat from Point Sur Light Station on January 3, 1924.

2. Congress has made an appropriation covering the payment of your claim, and as soon as you have signed the voucher and returned it to this office it will be forwarded to the General Accounting Office at Washington for direct settlement.

3. Please sign "Rutherford B. White" on the voucher at the point marked sign here and return both copies of the voucher to this office.

Respectfully,

H. W. RHODES

Superintendent of Lighthouses.

IN REPLYING ADDRESS
COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES
AND REFER TO DATE OF THIS LETTER
AND FILE NO
CJL-R

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES
WASHINGTON

LIGHTHOUSE SUPERINTENDENT
DEC 30 1924
SAN FRANCISCO

December 22, 1924.

Claim R.B.
White.

Superintendent of Lighthouses, San Francisco, Calif.

1. Referring to letter of this date to the Bureau of the Budget dated May 22, 1924, relative to the claim of R.B.White, former first assistant keeper at Point Sur Light Station, for loss of personal property:

2. Appropriation for payment of this claim has been made by Congress in the Second Deficiency Act approved December 5, 1924, and in order that the claim may be properly presented for payment it is requested that you prepare a voucher therefor and have the same signed by Mr. White and forwarded to this office when it will be forwarded to the General Accounting Office for direct settlement. This procedure is necessary as the original signed claim submitted by Mr. White is not available for attaching to this voucher.

J. S. CONWAY

Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses.

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OFFICE, SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES, SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF., JANUARY 12, 1925.
WW:EMA

1. Returned to Commissioner with voucher which has been signed by White.

H. W. RHODES

Form 4
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE
Comptroller of Treasury,
May 28, 1920.

PUBLIC VOUCHER FOR PURCHASES, AND SERVICES OTHER THAN PERSONAL

DUPLICATE

Appropriation: "GENERAL EXPENSES, LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE."

VOUCHER NO.

BUREAU AUTHORITY

Application Claim for Lost and Damaged Property.

DEPT. AUTHORITY

THE UNITED STATES, *To* Rutherford B. White, *Dr.*

(P. O. Address) No. 1330 Thomas Ave., San Francisco, Calif.

DATE OF DELIVERY OR SERVICE.	ARTICLES OR SERVICES.	QUANTITY.	UNIT.	UNIT PRICE.	AMOUNT.
7	For value of property lost and damaged while being loaded into boat at Point Sur Light Station on January 5, 1924, as per copy of certified list attached			$514.90	
	Less reduction in value of damaged property after inspection by Wm. Wilson, Chief Clerk, 18th Lighthouse District, as follows:				
	AMOUNT of loss on sewing machine reduced from $65 to $45	$20.00			
	Less on kitchen cabinet reduced from $45 to $30	15.00		35.00	
	Total amount of approved claim				$ 479.90

MEMORANDUM VOUCHER

CLAIMANT'S CERTIFICATE SIGNED BY

Correct as to quantities delivered, prices, deductions, and computations:

CHECKED BY

ADMINISTRATIVE CERTIFICATE SIGNED BY

VOUCHER NO.

METHOD OF OR ABSENCE OF ADVERTISING. (Sec. 3709 of the Revised Statutes and Act of March 1, 1919; 40 Stat., 1262.)

1. After advertising in newspapers.
2. After advertising by circular letters sent to _____ dealers and by notices posted in public places.
3. Without advertising, under an exigency of the service which existed prior to the order and would not admit of the delay incident to advertising; or under provision of Act of March 1, 1919 (40 Stat., 1262), which modified R. S. Sec. 3709.
4. Without advertising, it being impracticable to secure competition as indicated by _____ following:
   a. Under a formal contract for construction there arises a necessity for additional work practicable of performance only by the contractor.
   b. The articles wanted are patented or copyrighted and not on sale by dealers, but by the owners of the patent or copyright or their agents or assigns alone, at a fixed and uniform price.
   c. There is only one dealer within a practicable distance from whom the articles can be obtained.
   d. Prices or rates are fixed by legislation, either Federal, State, or municipal, or by competent regulation.
   e. Previous advertising for the identical purchase has been followed by the receipt of no proposals or only of such as were unreasonable, and under circumstances indicating that further advertising would not alter results.

I, _____

FORM OF AGREEMENT.

A. Under formal contract dated _____ B. Under written proposal and acceptance filed _____ (If with this voucher, so state; if not, indicate where.)

C. Under less formal agreement _____ (State character.)

Paid by _____, *Special Disbursing Agent, by Check No.* _____

_____ *for $* _____ *on Treasurer U. S., to order*

(Full Description)	Purchased	purchased	loss	Loss
75 Phonegraph records	March 1922	$62.00	$50.00	$50.00
1 Copper boiler	March 1922	5.00	4.00	4.00
1 Galv wash tub	March 1922	3.50	3.00	3.00
3 Dresses	1923	70.00	50.00	50.00
2 bedspreads hand embroider never used	1923	50.00	50.00	50.00
3 scarfs hand embroid:	1923	14.00	14.00	14.00
1 flour sifter	Nov. 1923	.45	.45	.45
1 pair curtain drapes: never used	1923	14.00	14.00	14.00
one set of irons	Feb. 1923	2.95	2.95	2.95
eight pictures	1922	48.00 doz.	32.00	32.00
groceries	1923	5.00	5.00	5.00
40 lbs sugar	1923	4.00	4.00	4.00
50 lbs flour	1923	2.20	2.20	2.20
38 pkgs phonegraph needles:	1923	3.80	3.80	3.80
1 drawing set	1923	8.00	8.00	8.00
1 set silver ware	March 1922	29.00	29.00	29.00
1 hand painted tea set:	1923	8.00	8.00	8.00
1 hat	Oct. 1923	15.00	12.00	12.00
1 silk dress	Oct. 1923	55.00	50.00	50.00
1 camera	1923	10.00	10.00	10.00

DAMAGED PROPERTY

ARTICLE	Date Purchased	Actual cost: price when purchased	Cash value before damage	Present cash value	Loss
Sewing machine	April 1923	$95.00	$95.00	$30.00	$65.00
two pair curtains	Nov. 1922	10.00	7.00	1.00	6.00
one dress	Oct. 1923	20.00	18.00	1.00	17.00
eight pair sheets	March 1922	40.00	30.00	25.00	5.00
Kitchin cabinet	March 1922	85.00	75.00	30.00	45.00
two bed spreads	March 1922	16.00	12.00	6.00	6.00
one hat	Oct. 1923	3.00	2.50	.00	2.50
one blanket never used	Jan. 1922	7.00	7.00	3.00	4.00
4 pair hand embroider pillow slips neverused	July 1923	20.00	20.00	8.00	12.00
				TOTAL LOSS...	$514.90

Southampton Shoal Light Station.
February 12, 1924.

I hereby certify that the above lists show accurately the loss sustained by me by reason of a slingload of my furniture being dropped into the water at the Point Sur Light Station while being lowered by Keeper J. W. Astrom into a boat for transportation to my new station.

(Signed) R. B. White,

Keeper, Southampton Shoal Light Station.

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LIGHTHOUSE SUPERINTENDENT
JUN -2 1924
SAN FRANCISCO

[COPY]

MAY 22 1924

Dear General Lord:

Pursuant to the Act of Congress approved December 28, 1922 (42 Stat. 1066), authorizing the heads of departments and establishments acting on behalf of the Government of the United States to consider, ascertain, adjust and determine on account of damages to or loss of privately owned property, where the amount of the claim does not exceed $1,000, lost by the negligence of any officer or employee of the Government acting within the scope of his employment, the Department reports a claim in the amount of $479.90, covering loss of personal property sustained by R.B. White, former First Assistant Keeper at Point Sur Light Station, California, when his household effects, which were being transferred from the station landing to the Lighthouse Tender, were damaged or destroyed on January 5, 1924. This claim is approved by this Department and it is recommended that it be given consideration by your office with a view to its approval by the President and transmissiontto Congress for an appropriation as provided by law.

Mr. White was transferred from Point Sur Light Station to Southampton Shoal Light Station, California, and after he had proceeded to Southampton Light Station the lighthouse tender MADRONO stopped at Point Sur bound north for San Francisco, on January 5 to take aboard Mr. White's furniture and household equipment, as is the customary practice in accordance with the Regulations of the Lighthouse Service. In transferring these above effects to the station landing a nut which holds the brake band to the lever on the hoisting engine, jarred loose and the load could not be stopped after it had started down the incline to the landing, with the result that the furniture and household equipment went overboard and was either lost or damaged by water. It is considered that this damage was due to neglect on the part of the keeper of the light station either in the operation of the station hoist, or in failing to have the hoist in a safe operating condition, and that the claim is one properly coming within the act above cited. The amount originally claimed was $514.90; amount allowed $479.90.

For the Secretary:

Very truly yours,

[illegible]

[illegible] Secretary of Commerce.

The Director of the Bureau of the Budget,
Washington, D.C.

Bureau of Lighthouses, Wash., Copy to 18th Supt

Inclosures

IN REPLYING ADDRESS
COMMISSIONER OF LIGHTHOUSES
AND REFER TO DATE OF THIS LETTER
AND FILE NO 178[illegible]
OLC-R
3 inclos.

(COPY)

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

BUREAU OF LIGHTHOUSES

WASHINGTON

LIGHTHOUSE SUPERINTENDENT
APR -5 1924
SAN FRANCISCO

March 31, 1924.

Superintendent of Lighthouses, San Francisco, Calif.

1. Referring to your letter of February 15, 1924, inclosing list submitted by R. B. White, formerly First Assistant Keeper at Point Sur Light Station, Calif., showing property lost and damaged in the sum of $518.90:

2. The listswhich accompanied your above letter are returned together with typewritten copies thereof, attention being invited to item covering 8 pictures at a cost price of $48 per dozen which are valued at $36 at the time of loss. It is requested that this item be corredted to $32 and also if practicable, that a statement be obtained from the Officer of the tender or some other Lighthouse Service employee who has seen this property and who can certify to the correctness of this claim.

3. Return all papers to the Bureau with your reply.

J. S. CONWAY

(Signed)

Acting Commissioner of Lighthouses

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OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES, SAN FRANCISCO, MAY 2, 1924.

1. Returned to Commissioner. Cost of eight pictures has been changed to a value of $32.00 at the time of loss. There is enclosed a statement by Wm. Wilson, Chief Clerk of this District, who was directed to interview White at Southampton Shoal Light Station and inspect the damaged property. It is recommended that White's claim be approved for $479.90.

H. W. RHODES

WW:KMA

Damaged property -
R. B. White.

May 1, 1924.

Superintendent of Lighthouses,
San Francisco, Calif.

1. In compliance with instructions contained in the Superintendent's letter of April 21st, I proceeded to Southampton Shoal Light Station on April 25th, interviewed R. B. White, now keeper of Southampton Shoal Light Station, regarding his personal property which was lost or damaged when dropped into the water at Point Sur Light Station, and inspected the damaged property.

Damaged Property

2. The sewing machine is the latest Singer model, with substantially built cabinet, and the company informs me that the machine with cabinet costs $95.00 on a cash basis and $110.00 on terms. The cabinet was slightly cracked and chipped and the joints loosened. It is being overhauled by White. The machine was evidently badly rusted from the salt water. White has been continually cleaning it, endeavoring to remove the rust, but it still shows rust in many places, and it is possible that the presence of rust in some of the bearings may,in the course of time,greatly impair the efficiency of the machine.

3. The dress, sheets, spreads, curtains, pillowslips and blankets were packed with other household articles and groceries, and showed bad stains from rust and running colors. They have been laundered by Mrs. White, but the stains still show badly. The dress is made of Shantung Pongee (silk), and was easily worth $18.00 before it was damaged. It is practically a total loss. The sheets, spreads, curtains, pillow slips and blankets are all of good quality, workmanship and design, and easily worth the amount claimed by White. The bedspreads are made of satin damask, with raised pattern. The pillow slips are hand embroidered, with Mexican drawn work, and were easily worth $3.50 or more apiece. The blanket (sateen comforter) is of good quality and easily worth $7.00 before damage. The lady's hat was kept for some time by Mrs. White for inspection and then thrown overboard. The sum of $2.50 claimed for loss on the hat would not seem to be unreasonable and it is fair to assume that the hat was ruined after being in the salt water.

4. The kitchen cabinet was made of hardwood, white enameled, and was fully worth $75.00 at the time of damage. White is rebuilding the cabinet, and stated that it was found necessary totake it apart as it had been strained by the fall and the glue had been softened by the salt water, thereby loosening up the joints. All of the white enamel, which was chipped

in places, has been scraped off. White has already spent considerable time in reclaiming the cabinet and will have to spend more time and money on it before it can be put in service again.

5. The Whites appear to be fairly well provided with funds; they own an automobile, a high-grade phonograph, and an expensive radio set. All of their household equipment and other belongings are generally new and of good quality, and not of the cheap, flimsy class.

6. After interviewing Keeper White and inspecting his property, taking into consideration his trustworthiness and reliability, I have no hesitancy in certifying that in my opinion he is entitled to the full amount of his claim for lost and damaged property. Mr. and Mrs. White have spent a considerable amount of time in reclaiming this property, and their efforts along this line have resulted in reducing the amount that otherwise would have been claimed for the damaged property. Many of the articles listed as partially damaged would have been listed as ruined by a less conscientious person. A number of small articles were lost but not listed.

7. If the time of White and his wife spent in reclaiming the damaged articles is not to be considered, it is recommended that the loss claimed by White on the sewing machine be reduced to $45.00 and that on the kitchen cabinet to $30.00, reducing the total amount of White's claim from $514.90 to $479.90.

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W W Wilson

LOST PROPERTY

ARTICLE (Full description)	Date Purchased	Actual cost price when purchased	Value at time of loss	Loss
75 Phonegraph records	March 1922	$62.00	$50.00	$50.00
1 copper boiler	March 1922	5.00	4.00	4.00
1 galv wash tub	March 1922	3.50	3.00	3.00
3 dresses	1923	70.00	50.00	50.00
2 bedspreads hand embroider never used	1923	50.00	50.00	50.00
3 scarfs hand embroid	1923	14.00	14.00	14.00
1 flour sifter	Nov. 1923	.45	.45	.45
1 pair curtain drapes never used	1923	14.00	14.00	14.00

DAMAGED PROPERTY

ARTICLE	Date Purchased	Actual cost price when purchased	Cash value before damage	Present cash value	
Sewing machine	April 1923	$95.00	$95.00	$30.00	$65.00
two pair curtains	Nov. 1922	10.00	7.00	1.00	6.00
one dress	Oct. 1923	20.00	18.00	1.00	17.00
eight pair sheets	March 1922	40.00	30.00	25.00	5.00
Kitchin cabinet	March 1922	85.00	75.00	30.00	45.00
two bed spreads	March 1922	16.00	12.00	6.00	6.00
one hat	Oct. 1923	3.00	2.50	00	2.50

Southampton Shoal Light Station,
February 12, 1924.

I hereby certify that the above lists show accurately the loss sustained by me by reason of a slinglead of my furniture being dropped into the water at the Point Sur Light Station while being lowered by Keeper J. W. Astrom into a boat for transportation to my new station.

(Signed) R. B. White

, Keeper, Southampton Shoal Light Station.

Damaged Property — Loss.

	Date Purchased	Cost Price when purchased	Value at time of loss	Present cash Value.	
ONE BLANKET never used	Jan. 1922	$7.00	$7.00	$3.00	$ 4.00
four pair hand embroider Pillow slips never used	July 1923	20.00	20.00	8.00	12.00

Lost Property.

one set of irons	Feb. 1923	$2.95	$2.95	2.95
eight pictures	1922	48 .00 per doz.	32.00	32.00
groceries	1923	5 .00	5.00	5.00
40 lbs sugar	1923	4 . 00	4.00	4.00
50 lbs flour	1923	2.20	2.20	2.20
38 Pkgs. phonegraph needles	1923	3.80	3.80	3.80
1 drawing set	1923	8.00	8.00	8.00
1 set silver ware	March1922	29.00	29.00	29.00
1 hand painted tea set	1923	8.00	8.00	8.00
1 hat	Oct. 1923	15.00	12.00	12.00
1 silk dress	Oct. 1923	55.00	50.00	50.00
1 camera	1923	10.00	10.00	10.00
		Total loss		$514.90

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF.

WW:EMA

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT, 18TH DISTRICT
CUSTOMHOUSE
SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF,
February 15, 1924.

Claim of R. B. White.

Commissioner of Lighthouses.

1. R. B. White, formerly First Assistant Keeper at Point Sur Light Station, Calif., was transferred and promoted to the position of Keeper, Southampton Shoal Light Station on January 3, 1924. After White had proceeded to Southampton Shoal Light Station, the Lighthouse Tender MADRONO stopped at Point Sur Light Station, bound north for San Francisco, on January 5th to take aboard White's furniture and household equipment. One sling load was dropped from the station landing into the water. Several boxes were picked up by the crew in the surf boat and others were lost.

2. John Astrom, Keeper Point Sur Light Station, reported that the nut that holds the brake band to the lever jarred loose and that he could not stop the load after it had started down the incline to the landing.

3. There is enclosed a list submitted by White showing the property lost and damaged, the total loss claimed being $518.70.

4. The Act of December 28, 1922, page 1066, provides ~~either~~ for the head of each department to consider, ascertain, adjust and determine any claim on account of damages to or loss of privately owned property where the amount of the claim does not exceed $1000.00 and which loss or damage was caused by the negligence of any official or employe of the Government acting within the scope of his employment. It would seem fair to assume that the loss of White's furniture was due to negligence on the part of the Keeper, either in the proper operation of the station hoist or in failing to have the hoist in a safe operating condition. It is therefore recommended that White's claim be approved and certified to Congress as a legal claim for payment.

H. W. RHODES

LIGHTHOUSE SUPERINTENDENT
FEB 15 1924
SAN FRANCISCO

LOST PROPERTY

ARTICLE (Full description)	Date Purchased	Actual cost price when purchased	Value at time of loss	Loss
75 Phonegraph records	March 1922	$ 62.00	$ 50.00	$ 50.00
1 copper boiler	March 1922	5.00	4.00	4.00
1 galv wash tub	March 1922	3.50	3.00	3.00
3 dresses	1923	70.00	50.00	50.00
2 bedspreads hand embroider	never used 1923	50.00	50.00	50.00
3 scrafs hand embroide	never used 1923	14.00	14.00	14.00
1 flour sifter	Nov 1923	.45	.45	.45
1 pair curtain drapes	never used 1923	14.00	14.00	14.00

DAMAGED PROPERTY

ARTICLE	Date Purchased	Actual cost price when purchased	Cash value before damage	Present cash value	
sewing machine	April 1923	$ 95.00	$ 95.00	$ 30.00	65.00
two pair curtains	Nov. 1922	10.00	7.00	1.00	6.00
one dress	Oct 1923	20.00	18.00	1.00	17.00
eight pair sheets	March 1922	40.00	30.00	25.00	5.00
Kitchen Cabinet	March 1922	85.00	75.00	30.00	45.00
2 bed spreads	March 1922	16.00	12.00	6.00	6.00
1 hat	Oct 1923	3.00	2.50	0	2.50

Southampton Shoal Light Station,
February 12, 1924.

I hereby certify that the above lists show accurately the loss sustained by me by reason of a slingload of my furniture being dropped into the water at the Point Sur Light Station while being lowered by Keeper J. W. Astrom into a boat for transportation to my new station.

R. B. White

Keeper, Southampton Shoal Light Station.

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHTHOUSE SUPERINTENDENT
FEB 1ST 1924
SAN FRANCISCO

EIGHTEENTH DISTRICT

_____
(Station, Depot, or Vessel.)

_____, 19

Damaged Property.

Loss

	Date Purchased	Cost Price when Purchased.	Value at time of loss	Present Cash Value.	
		#	#	#	
one blanket never used	Jan 1922	7.00	7.00	3.00	4.00
four pair hand embroider pillow slips never used.	July 1923	20.00	20.00	8.00	12.00

Lost Property.

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one set of irons	Feb 1923	2.95	2.95	2.95
eight pictures	1922	48.00 per doz	36.00	36.00 ~~36.00~~
groceries	1923	5.00	5.00	5.00
40 lbs sugar	1923	4.00	4.00	4.00
50 lbs flour	1923	2.20	2.20	2.20
38 Pkgs phonograph needles	1923	3.80	3.80	3.80
1 drawing set	1923	8.00	8.00	8.00
1 set silver ware	1923	29.00	29.00	29.00
1 hand painted tea set	1923	8.00	8.00	8.00
1 hat	Oct 1923	15.00	12.00	12.00
1 silk dress	Oct 1923	55.00	50.00	50.00
1 camera	1923	10.00	10.00	10.00

Total loss 518.90

LIGHTHOUSE SUPERINTENDENT
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Tender Madrono,
January 5, 1924.

Superintendent of Lighthouses,
San Francisco, Calif.

Via: Master.

On January 5th when Keeper White's furniture was taken on board at Point Sur, one sling load was dropped from the wharf and into the water, and everything in the sling spilled out. Several boxes were picked up by the surf boat. I do not know if there was anything lost.

N. P. Hansen
2nd Officer.

Forwarded
F. F. McKenzie
Master

HWR:LH

February 4, 1924.

Mr. Eugene D. Bennett,
Mills Building,
San Francisco, Calif.

Dear Sir:-

1. Your letter of January 19th addressed to Mr. John W. Astrom, Keeper of the Point Sur Light Station, presenting a claim of Mr. Rutherford B. White against him in the amount of $475.15, has been received at this office.

2. You are informed that the accident by which Mr. White's furniture was dropped into the water at the Point Sur Light Station occurred while Mr. Astrom was performing his official duties as an employee of the Lighthouse Service, and that for that reason he is not responsible in the matter.

3. There is a provision of law by which Mr. White's claim can be adjusted through this Department, and he has been directed to submit his claim to this office in order that it may be properly considered.

Respectfully,

H. W. RHODES

Superintendent of Lighthouses.

HWR:LH

February 4, 1924.

Mr. R. B. White, Keeper, Southampton Shoal Light Station.

1. This office has been informed that you have placed in the hands of your attorney a claim in the amount of $475.15 against Mr. J. W. Astrom, keeper of the Point Sur Light Station, to cover damage to your household effects which you claim was caused by the keeper's negligence in loading them into the surf boat.

2. Action of this kind should not have been begun by you without consulting this office in the matter. For your information, it may be stated that in handling your household effects the keeper of the Point Sur Station was acting in his capacity as an employee of the Government and that for such reason you can not collect damages from him personally. Your claim, if any exists, will be against the Government, and for that reason it is requested that you direct your attorney to dismiss any action which he may have begun against Mr. Astrom personally.

3. Under authority of an act of the last Congress, the Secretary of the Department is authorized to consider, ascertain, adjust, and determine any claim on account of damages to, or loss of, privately owned property where the amount of the claim does not exceed $1,000, caused by the negligence of any officer or employee of the Government acting within the scope of his employment.

4. In order that the matter of your claim may be further considered by this office, you are directed to submit immediately on the enclosed blank a list of the property which was lost by reason of the sling-load dropping into the water at the Point Sur Station, as well as a list of the property which was damaged. It will be necessary for you to fill in completely the data called for on the enclosed form.

5. After your report has been received consideration will be given to submitting the matter to the Department with an appropriate recommendation.

H. W. RHODES

Submit lists in duplicate.

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
SUPERINTENDENT OF LIGHTHOUSES
SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

LIGHTHOUSE SUPERINTENDENT
JAN 25 1924
SAN FRANCISCO

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W.W.
Report on law permitting reimbursement by the Govt. in such cases.
See page 1066 - U.S. Statutes Vol. 42 Part 1
herewith
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EIGHTEENTH DISTRICT

Pt Sur L T Station
(Station, Depot, or Vessel.)

Jan 21, 1924

Supt of Light Houses

Sir

I herewith forward a letter from R B Wiles Attorney Claiming $475.00 from me for damages done to his Furniture when the Tention nut on the brake worket lose and a load of his Furniture went into the water, I could not Stop the load after the brake became useless and I did not dare to throw in the clutch for fear of Braking the Engine In his letter he hold me Responsible and Threaten to go to Law to inforce his claim, I dont Consider it Just that I shall have to Pay for a accident that no Human being could help I was Lowering his Furniture as carefully is possible and every thing worked fine until the nut that hold the brake band to the Lever yarred lose

I wish you will take this up with white and his Attorney For I certantly will not Pay for thing that no man could help

Respectfully John W Nelson
Keeper

EUGENE D. BENNETT
ATTORNEY AT LAW
MILLS BUILDING
SAN FRANCISCO.CAL.

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LIGHTHOUSE SUPERINTENDENT
JAN 27 1924
SAN FRANCISCO

January 19, 1924.

Mr. John W. Astrom,
Point Sur Light Station,
Monterey, California.

Dear Sir:

Mr. Rutherford B. White, formerly of your station, and now located at the South Hampton Shoals Light Station in San Francisco District, has placed in my hands the matter of his claim against you for the sum of $475.15, which he claims as the amount of actual damage done to his household effects and other property which were lost and damaged by and through your negligence in loading them on the lighter from the pier at your station, December 29, 1923.

I am informed from the statements of Mr. White and the men in charge of the light ship, that the said property was dumped or lost into the water while it was being loaded from the pier, and this was caused by your carelessness and negligence. This being the case, Mr. White is entitled to recover from you all damage which he suffered thereby.

The above mentioned sum represents the actual and provable damage done to the goods, both those articles which were completely lost and those recovered, and does not include the damage he has sustained by reason of the loss of their use.

I presume from the nature of the case and the great loss done to Mr. White, that you will be willing to compensate him for such damage without the necessity of his bringing suit to recover the same, hence I am writing to you for the purpose of bringing the matter to your attention, and informing you of Mr. White's position in this matter.

In the event that I do not hear from you, and have a satisfactory adjustment and payment of his damage, I shall be required to institute suit in his behalf.

If you desire to have an exact itemization of his damages, I shall be glad to furnish the same to you.

Hoping that this matter will be amicably settled,

I am,
EDB:G

Yours very truly,

Eugene D. Bennett

WW:SA

September 5, 1924.

Rutherford B. White,
Keeper, Southampton Shoal Light Station.

Your resignation as Keeper of the Southampton Shoal Light Station has been forwarded to the Bureau of Lighthouses with the recommendation that it be accepted on September 10th.

Albert H. Joost has been recommended for the position of Keeper at the Southampton Shoal Light Station and he has been directed to relieve you on September 10th.

You are requested to prepare 3 copies of the enclosed Form 30, all copies to be signed by you and Mr. Joost and one copy forwarded to this Office; one copy to be retained by you and the third copy to be retained by Mr. Joost for Station files.

H. W. RHODES

Copy for information of Albert H. Joost.

HWR:LH

April 21, 1924.

Mr. Wm. Wilson, Chief Clerk.

1. There is enclosed Bureau letter, 178E, of March 31st, with attached papers, in the matter of the claim of R. B. White in the amount of $518.90, for property lost and damaged when a sling load of his furniture was dropped overboard at the Point Sur Light Station.

2. You are directed to proceed to Southampton Shoal by Depot Launch as soon as practicable and examine the damaged property for which White desires to be reimbursed, and submit a report giving an estimate of the cash value of the damaged property before it was dropped overboard, as well as its present cash value.

3. Draft reply to enclosed Bureau letter when the above information has been obtained.

H. W. RHODES

WW:LH

Feb. 23, 1924.

Keeper, Southampton Shoal Light Station.

1. Referring to the approved leave of absence of David R. Fagerholm, assistant keeper, from March 10th to March 17th, you are advised that it will be satisfactory to the Superintendent if Mrs. White is employed as substitute. If so employed, she will be paid at the rate of $2.50 a day and furnish her own subsistence.

2. Please notify this office whether Mrs. White is to be employed.

H. W. RHODES

FILE NO. 8

RECORD OF PHYSICAL EXAMINATION OF LIGHT KEEPER OR ASSISTANT LIGHT KEEPER

IN CONNECTION WITH MEDICAL RELIEF BY THE PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
LIGHTHOUSE SERVICE

OFFICE OF ~~LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR~~ Superintendent, 18th DISTRICT,

PLACE, San Francisco, California

DATE, November 1 22, 191

To the MEDICAL OFFICER IN CHARGE,
U. S. Public Health Service,
San Francisco, California

SIR:

Please examine Rutherford B. White

nativity, American; age, 25; height, 5 feet, 11 inches;

weight, 172 pounds; color of hair, light; color of eyes, blue

distinguishing marks, --

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,

For and in the absence of the Superintendent
1st Assistant *Lighthouse ~~Inspector~~ Superintendent.*

(Signature of applicant:) Rutherford B. White

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

U. S. PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE

PLACE, San Francisco, Calif.

DATE, November 1, 1922, 191

To LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR,

SIR: This certifies that I have this day examined the eyesight, hearing, and physical condition of Rutherford B. White, 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.

George Morton
Surgeon, U. S. Public Health Service.

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

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REPORT OF PHYSICAL EXAMINATION

U. S. PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE

PLACE, San Francisco, Calif.

DATE, November 1,1922

Name of applicant, Rutherford B. White

Eyes: Color, Blue; exophthalmus, No

chronic inflammation, No; other anbormality, No

Eyelids: Ptosis, No; condition of conjunctiva on eversion, Good

other conditions, No

Eyesight:

Vision of right eye, without glasses, 20/20; with glasses, --

Vision of left eye, without glasses, 20/20; with glasses, --

Is applicant partially or wholly color-blind? No

If color-blind, state which color he confuses None

Were candidate's eyes tested with lantern, woolen skeins, or both? Skeins

Ears:

Abnormalities, No; shape, Normal

Position, Normal; condition of drums Good

Evidence of mastoid disease, No

Hearing: (When testing hearing, the eyes and the opposite ear must be closed.)

Distance conversational speech can be heard: Right ear, 30 feet; left ear, 30 feet.

Distance whispered speech can be heard: Right ear, 15 feet; left ear, 15 feet.

Lungs: Normal

Heart: Normal

Defects noted which, in the opinion of the medical examiner, will not materially interfere with th discharge of the duties of light keeper or assistant light keeper:

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