UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE WEATHER BUREAU

Airport Station, Salt Lake City, Utah, August 4, 1938.

Mr. Frank Wright, Blanding, Utah.

Dear Sir:

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This office is recommeding that a station be established at Blanding as outlined to you by Mr. Van Thullenar and Mr. Cummings on recent visits. However this must be submitted to Washington for the approval of our department and the radio departments so do not make any plans until further advised.

Mr. Cummings was unable to locate the surveyor while he was in town so will you please contact him and ask him to furnish us with the information as to what his charges would be to make the necessary survey to determine the exact difference in elevation between the local bench mark and the pencil mark made on your wall by Mr. Cummings. However, be sure to inform him that the actual survey should not be made until advised by this office.

It is hoped that the station can be established in the next few weeks and you will be advised of further developements.

Respectfully.

H. M. Hightman Meteorologist,

January 22, 1939

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Mr. J. Frank Wright, Blanding, Utah.

AIRPORT STATION

Dear Mr. Wright:

h The plans for establishment of the weather station at Blading have been delayed owing to the necessity of making various arrangements with the different Government departments concerned. However, we are new prepared to go ahead with the establisi station in accordance with the following plans:

The Civil Aeronautics Authority will transfer to the Weather Bureau, for use at Blanding, what is known as a THA transmitter, complete with tubes, and a RHO receiver, complete with tubes and power pack. This equipment would be shipped to you at Blanding and it would be necessary for you to make the installation. Can you do this?

A point to point radio telegraph circuit will be established between Blanding and the Civil Aeronautics Authority at Milford. Utah, to handle the reports by radio telegraph, using the frequency of 2964 KC for night operation, and 5928 KC for day operation. Please advise whether you are qualified to handle the reports by radio telegraph, and what your telegraphic sending and receiving performances are.

Since you will be given an appointment as a Government employee, and the radio communication will be between two Government stations, using Government assigned frequencies, it will not be necessary for you to hold a radio operator's license to authorize you to transmit the reports.

Please reply to this letter at once, by return mail if possible, advising as to whether you can and are willing to undertake this work, in order that we may know as to whether or not the final arrangements should be made for establishment of the station.

This office intends recommending to our Central Office that you be paid a salary of \$2.50 per day for the work of taking the observations and transmitting the reports by radio. No.

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You understand, no doubt, that you will be required to take and transmit four observations daily at approximately 5:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m., 5:30 p.m., and 11:30 p.m.

You will also be required to furnish electric current for operation of the radio equipment.

Please use the inclosed envelope bearing our office address in replying to this letter. No postage is required.

Yours very truly,

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H. M. Hightman, Meteorologist.

February 9, 1939.

Mr. Frank Wright, Moab. Utah.

Dear Mr. Wright:

Our delay in writing to you concerning the establishment of a weather reporting station at Blanding was due to our waiting until we had more definite information to give you in connection with the matter. We are going forward with the plans for the establishment of the station and are depending upon you to take care of the installation of the radio equipment. There is no question about your qualifications for handling either the weather observational or radio work. However, I am afraid that it will be a matter of a month or so, or even longer, before all of the required weather and radio equipment cand be shipped to you, and it is suggested that you go ahead and make application for employment by the S.C.S. until we are prepared to start the weather station. It is understood that your employment by the S.C.S. could be discontinued at any time. Is this correct?

Orders have been issued for shipment of a THA transmitter, complete with tubes, antenna assembly, insulators, and pole hardware to you at Blanding, from the Idaho Falls, Idaho, airway communication station, addressed as follows:

> J. Frank Wright, Blanding, Utah, c/o Moab Garage Transportation Co., Thompson, Utah

Will you please make all necessary arrangements for receiving this shipment and taking care of it when received at Blanding, in case you are not a Blanding when it is received.

We will keep you advised of further developments in connection with establishment of the station as they occur.

Yours very truly,

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H. M. Hightman, Meteorologist.

AIRPORT STATION

U Lake Cely Blanding Quo Promotion J. Frank Wright and appointment Dora B. Wright approved effective today should begin 3 hourly streports immidiatly 0930 11 Cummings Salt Lake Blanding Quo Vending receipt of forms and instructione reports at 0230 0830 1430 2030 should be entered on blank paper ruled to conform to sample form on page 71 Circular N stop. Max and Min thermometers not to be read or set nor Precipitation measured stp Disregard classification and altimeter setting Columna

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE WEATHER BUREAU

Airport Station

Salt Lake City, Vtah Feb. 24, 1939

Mr. J. Frank Wright, Blanding, Utah.

Dear Sir:

With reference to your letter of Aug. 5, 1950, stating that Mr. Henry Hurst would make the survey to determine the exact elevation of the moraurial barometer.

Please have Mr. Hurst make this survey at once and furnish this office with two copies of his notes on the enclosed forms. The survey should be a closed circuit, that is, the levels should be run from the bench mark to a fixed point in your yard close to the house and then to the mark made on the wall of your house, then from that point back through the fixed point to the bench mark. It is suggested that you get an iron rod or pipe and drive it down to withing 3 or 4 inches of the surface of the ground. The rod must be deep enough to insure that it will not easily change in elevation. This pipe to be used as the fixed point.

After the notes are received by this office a voucher will be prepared and mailed to Mr. Hurst for his signature and he will be paid by check for his services.

For the information of the surveyor the elevation of the bench mark is 6087.911 feet above sea level.

Respectfully.

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H. M. Hightman Meteorologist.

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CIVIL AERONAUTICS AUTHORITY

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SANTA MONICA, California March 14, 1939

Mr. J. Frank Wright Blanding, Utah

Dear Mr. Wright:

In connection with the proposed establishment of a Weather reporting station at Blanding in your charge, it was planned to ship to you a radio transmitter. In accordance with plans between Salt Lake City Weather Bureau Office and our Washington Office, arrangements were to be made for a representative of this Office to cooperate with you in the installation of this transmitter.

It is requested that you advise us as soon as possible the date of receipt of the transmitter which we understand is to be shipped from Idaho Falls, Idaho. It is also requested that you advise what available transmitting antennae you may have or poles suitable for the support of the necessary transmitter antennae to be used in conjunction with the transmitter being furnished. Information relative the available power supply and other pertinent data will assist this Office in further plans for this installation.

Crystals for use in this transmitter are being requisitioned from our Crystal Laboratory at Fort Worth, Texas. A radio receiver and power pack, each complete with tubes, will be forwarded at an early date from some station in the Sixth Region.

Our Washington Office has assigned the identification letters "UU" and the radio call letters "KEQN" to the Blanding Station. It is planned that you will communicate two-way with our Milford, Utah, station, at which point your weather observations identified by "UU" will be entered on the teletype circuit.

Very truly yours,

For the Regional Supervisor:

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Superintendent of Airways

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AIRPORT STATION

March 25, 1939

Mr. J. Frank Wright, Blanding, Utah

Dear Mr. Wright:

In order to effect your appointment as airway observer we will require the information called for under the various headings on the inclosed paper. Will you, therefore, fill in the information and return one copy of the paper to this office. The other copy may be retained in your files.

Also, it will be necessary for you to sign the statement on both copies of the inclosed form, in duplicate. Please return both copies of the form to us.

Yours very truly,

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H. M. Hightman, Meteorologist.

March 25, 1939

AIRPORT STATION

Mr. J. Frank Wright, Blanding, Utah

Dear Mr. Wright:

We are forwarding herewith a letter from Mr. S. P. Kelly, Operator in Charge of the Airway Communication Station at Idaho Falls, and instructions and blue prints covering installation of the transmitter shipped from the Idaho Falls station to you.

Mr. J. A. Cummings of this office plans on visiting you about April 1, or soon thereafter, and will make plans with you at that time for installing the weather instruments.

It seems that our principal delay now in getting the station started is the matter of obtaining a receiver from the Civil Aeronautics Authority. In this connection see the inclosed copy of our letter to the Regional Supervisor, Civil Aeronautics Authority, Santa Monica, California. It will probably be necessary for you to use your key, as there was no mention about providing a key.

Yours very truly,

H. M. Hightman, Meteorologist.



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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE WEATHER BUREAU SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH

AIRPORT STATION

April 5, 1939.

Mr, J. Frank Wright, Blanding, Utah.

Dear Sir:

I expect to be in Blanding Monday, April 10, 1939 and to have the station operating by the 15th.

Respfully ima Cummings. Δ

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The Regional Supervisor, 6th. Regional District, Civil Aeronautics Authority, Santa Monica, Calif. has been requested to provide you with all necessary operation manuals and instructions covering your contacts with the CAA station at Milford, Utah. I think a number of the operators at that station are "hams" and if you have your set in operation you may perhaps get in touch with them. If you wish to find out if any of them are working at it at present you can write to the Operator in Charge, U. S. Airway Communication Station, MIT Milford. Vtah for information. Cummings U. S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, 24 C-Tel. (Telegram sent.) Form WEATHER BUREAU. TIME FILED. CHECK. NO. ARMY RADIO WEATHER BUREAU AIRPORT STATION Send the following message: APRIL 13 1939 То OBSERVER WASHINGTON D C 4076 AND LETTER DATED MARCH 29 RECOMMENDING APPOINTMANT REFERENCE FORM TWO NIFKY PER DIEM STOP WRIGHT AIRWAY OBSERVER HLANDING AT J FRANK EARLIEST. POSSIBLE DATE APPOINTMENT BE MADE EFFECTIVE REQUEST HIGHTMAN

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April 20, 1939

Regional Supervisor, <u>Civil Asronautics Authority</u>, Santa Monica, Callf.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter dated April 14, 1939, in reply to our letter dated April 5, 1939, relative to insuguration of service by radio telegraph between Mil and Blan g:

The Blanding station is completely equipped with both radio and weather equipment, and is ready to begin regular weather reporting as soon as a schedule of operations can be established between the two stations.

The Blanding observer reported in a letter to this office dated April 17, 1939, that he had not been able to contact ford as yet, but had written a letter to the station in regard to a test schedule.

Receipt forms, signed by the Blanding observer, covering a radio receiver, tubes and crystals, etc., are inclosed.

Yours very truly,

H. M. Hightman, Meteorologist.

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AIRPORT STATION

April 20, 1939

Mr. J. Frank Wright, Airway Observer, Blanding, Utah

Dear Mr. Wright:

We have not yet received information from our Central Office, Washington, D. C., as to the date that your appointment would be made effective, but it is understood from Mr. Cummings that you would be willing to begin making weather reports before the effective date, and if this is satisfactory to you, it is requested that you begin sending the reports as soon as a schedule of operations is established between your station and Milford. It is possible that the appointment cannot be made effective before the 25th, or even later, as it has to be approved by the Secretary of Agriculture. We will notify you just as soon as the appointment has been approved.

Yours very truly,

H. M. Hightman, Meteorologist.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

OFFICE OF PERSONNEL

WASHINGTON. D. C.

CAUTION! This letter, while evidencing an appointment as of the date thereof, is not to be accepted as a credential for operating. Any person approached by the holder is entitled, on demand, to view his regular departmental credential in the form of a badge or a current identification card.

April 22, 1939 S. 39-1080 L. 26

Mr. J. Frank Wright,

Weather Bureau.

Sir:

ATD-128

This is to notify you of the following personnel action: Appointment

Position, Grade and Salary: Airway Observer, at \$2.50 per diem, wae

Effective: April 22, 1939

C. S. Authority:

This appointment is subject to the provisions of paragraphs indicated below: b-c-d

Remarks:

Salaries and Expenses Weather Bureau Aerology

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By direction of the Secretary of Agriculture:

Respectfully,

Director of Personnel.

- (e) Retention in the service after the expiration of your probationary period confers permanent Civil Service status upon you.
- (f) This appointment is for the duration of the work.
- (g) This appointment is for the duration of the work, but not beyond December 31 of the calendar year in which the appointment is effective.
- (h) This appointment is for the duration of the emergency work, but not beyond June 30 of the fiscal year in which the appointment is effective.
- (i) This appointment is for such time as your services may be required and funds are available for Civilian Conservation Corps work.

Respectfully forwarded:

Chief, Business Administration, APR 28 Weather Bureau

- (a) Under this appointment you are subject to the provisions of the Civil Service Retirement Act as amended, and a cordingly 3½% will be deducted from your basic salary for deposit to your credit in the Retirement Fund.
- (b) This appointment is subject to taking the Oath of Office (Standard Form No. 8) which should be submitted to the Department Office of Personnel through the Chief of your Bureau or Office.
- (c) This appointment is subject to completion of the Personal History Statement (Standard Form No. 6), which should be submitted to the Department Office of Personnel through the Chief of your Bureau or Office.
- (d) This appointment is subject to completion of Personnel Questionnaire (Form No. AD-125), which should be submitted to the Department Office of Personnel through the Chief of your Bureau or Office.

U. S. GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE 8-12215

April 24, 1939.

Respectfully,

Mr. J. Frank Wright, Blanding, Utah.

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Dear Sir:

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AIRPORT, STATION

Your Appointment was made effective Saturday, April 22, 1939. Please have the oath of office blank notarized and mail to this office.

D H. M. Hightman

Meteorologist.

Ble dig, ritch. May 2. 1839 Weather Burean airport Station, Salt Jake City, Mach. Dear hir; any corrections or information on the preparation of Metl. forms will be appreciated very much. This work is all new to me but I wish to familiarize myself with it as soon as possible. Mr. Cummings gave me instructions on computation \$ 50000 foot pressure but this station in not listed in the code book to report it. What procedure shall I follow in regard to it? yours truly. 9 Firank Mright.

It will not be necessary to make any entries on pages 10 and 11 of Form 1001-A. Your station was inadvertantly omitted from the list in the code book. You will continue to send 5000 foot pressure. You will continue with the code word until July 1st., instead of June 1st., unless further advised.

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AIRPORT STATION

May 21, 1939

Mr. J. Frank Wright, Airway Observer, Blanding, Utah.

Dear Mr. Wright:

The inclosed papers are required in connection with your appointment as Airway Observer. Please complete and return the papers to us at your earliest convenience. Be sure to fill in data for all spaces.

The appointment paper and letter concerning Government employees' insurance are to be retained by you.

Note that there are five papers to be returned to this office.

Yours very truly,

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H. M. Hightman, Meteorologist.

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July 3, 1939

Mr. J. Frank Wright, Blanding, Utah.

AIRPORT STATION

The station at Blanding has been selected for one of a few stations to make reports every three hours instead of every six hours as at present. For the reason that Blanding is a radio station some difficulties are presented but it is believed that some plan can be worked out.

It would be very easy for you to handle five of these observations, from 8:10 A. M. to 8:10 P. M., in fact it would be easier than the present four. Would it be possible for you to find some anateur operator, who with some coaching from you, could take care of the other three. If you can find some one to assist you on this plan we will recommend that your salary be increased to \$90.00 per month for the five observations and recommend \$45.00 a month to the assistant for the three observations.

Please advise immediately what you think can be done about this.

Respectfully,

H. M. Hightman Meteorologist.

HMH/JAC

July 7, 1939

AIRPORT STATION

Mr. J. Frank Wright, Blanding, Utah

Dear Sir:

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With reference to the proposal to employ another operator-observer to take care of some of the additional observations at Blanding:

We would much prefer that this observer be someone iate

therefore, consider Mrs. Wright for this appointment until more satisfactory arrangements can be made. For this consideration please furnish the information on the place and date of Mrs. Wright's birth, the extent of her education, any employment, such as office work, teaching, etc., that would qualify her for the observational type of work. It will not be necessary for her to have any type of radio license, however we would need to know just what speed she could be expected to make on CW operation. It is not likely that we would authorize any operator to work on the Blanding-Milford circuit unless they could operate at least 15 words per minute.

We will recommend that the compensation for the additional observations be at the same rate as that now in effect. We are doing this that you may sooner be in a position to provide a separate location for the transmitter, since we feel that it will not be an entirely satisfactory arrangement until this is done. It is not known that our Washington office will accept this recommendation so do not count on this until we inform you that it has been approved. In the meantime we suggest that select the young man that you consider would make the best operator-observer and give him such training as to qualify him for appointment at the earliest possible time. Since this is outside the duties for which you are paid by the Government you would of course be free to make any charge for this radio instruction that was agreeable.

Yours truly,

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H. M. Hightman Meteorologist.

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AIRPORT STATION

July 11. 1939.

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Mr. J. Frank wright, Blanding, Utah.

Dear Sir:

It is necessary to submit another appointment blank since your daily compensation will be changed when you are making five observations. Your wife will be recommended for appointment at $$1.87\frac{1}{2}$ per day for taking three observations. Please sign the enclosed form and return to this office immediately.

Mr. Johnson seems quite satisfactory for appointment as an observer so you may inform him that we will recommend him for appointment as relief observer as soon as you report that he can handle things and he can act as relief for both yourself and Mrs. Wright and some arrangement will be made with him as to the number of observations that he is to make. You may also tell him that it will be possible for him to take examinations that will qualify him for civib service examinations at some later date.

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H. M. Hightman Meteorologist.

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CIVIL AFRONAUTICS AUTHORITY Washington asserted to a Coch derrections Jurces fastron whencer July 26, 1939

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Mr. F. W. Reichelderfer, Chief of the Weather Bureau, Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C.

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Dear Mr. Reichelderfer:

Reference is made to radio transmitter and associate equipment loaned to you by this Bureau for installation at Blanding, Utah. The following equipment, which is still retained on the property records of this Bureau, was furnished to Blanding: Take Tor, Diverse and the Statis

3	ea.	7" transmitting antenna insulators
2	Ħ	Screw Type insulators
16	11	"Corning" Pyrex insulators # 171
16	11	Screw brackets for above insulators
158	ft.	#7 strand antenna wire
300	11	#7 strand feeder wire
2	sets	Pyrex, shell type, Series 2555 lead-in insulators
1	SC	THA transmitter (LSR-500) Serial # 44
2	ea.	AC-95 crystal holders 1486 kc-2970 ks
1		RHO receiver, Serial # 84
1		Speedex, telegraph key, hand type
2	ea.	25W-120 volt protective lamps
		38104 tubes
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In accordance with the agreement reached between our Regional Supervisor and your office at Salt Lake, this office will not furnish any supplies or stand any of the expense in connection with the operation and maintenance of this equipment; however, it will retain title to the equipment.

This Bureau desires to reserve the right to inspect this equipment from time to time as convenient to its Regional personnel to insure that the equipment will be kept in proper operating condition. As this station is a considerable distance

July 27, 1939

AIRPORT STATION

Mr. J. Frank Wright, Blanding, Utah.

Dear Sir:

The Central Office of the Weather Bureau at Washington has recommended to the Department of Agriculture that you be appointed at the rate of three dollars (\$3.00) per day for five observations and that Mrs. Wright be appointed at two dollars (\$2.00) per day for three observations. This makes it virtually certain that the Blanding station will begin reporting at three-hourly intervals in the near future. However you should not do so until notified by this office.

Please notify us if and when the young man begins training as radio operator and observer and make reports on his progress at frequent intervals.

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Respectfully,

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HMH: JAC

H. M. Hightman, Meteorologist.

WATHER BUREAU AIRPORT STATION, GALF LAKE CITY, CLAR

July 28, 1939

Regional Manager, Civil Aeronautics Authority, Santa Monica, California.

Dear Sir:

The station at Blanding has been selected to make observations at three-hourly intervals. The observations will probably be sent in the same form as that now being used for six-hourly observations. It is requested that arrangements be made at Milford for receiving these extra observations and their transmission on teletype circuits. The date that this ch is will be made will be supplied your office as soon as possible.

Respectfully,

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H. M. Hightman Meteorologist.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE OFFICE OF DIRECTOR OF PERSONNEL

WASHINGTON, D. C.

Dear Sir or Madam:

In connection with the enclosed notice of your appointment in this Department, it will be of interest to you to know that employees may obtain life insurance through membership in a mutual and non-profit association of Department of Agriculture employees. The cost is only \$1 per month, and the amount of the insurance granted ranges from \$1,000 to \$200 according to the age of the applicant.

It is not my purpose to attempt to give you any of the details. I merely want to bring the matter to your notice and to suggest that, if interested, you correspond with the Secretary-Treasurer, U. S. Department of Agriculture Beneficial and Relief Association, Room 2945 South Building, Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C. In the past certain appointees have complained that they were not advised concerning this matter, and for this reason this is brought to your attention.

Correspondence with the Association should not be mailed in an official penalty envelope.

Very truly yours,

Roy F. Hendrickson, Director of Personnel.

<u>COPY</u>

August 1, 1939

Mr. C. I. Stanton, Director, Bureau of Federal Airways, Civil Aeronautics Authority, Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Stanton:

I have your letter dated July 26, 1939, relative to the radio transmitter and other equipment loaned to the Weather Bureau for installation at Blanding, Utah.

Your understanding, as outlined, is in accordance with the agreement reached between your Regional Supervisor and our Salt Lake City Airport Office. It will be satisfactory for your personnel to inspect the equipment at any time it is convenient. Our Insector will also looke over the equipment two or three times a year, when he visits Blanding, for the purpose of seeing to it that the equipment is receiving proper care.

Any instructions which your Regional Supervisor may wish to give our Salt Lake City office in this matter will be welcomed.

A copy of your letter and a copy of this letter are being forwarded to Salt Lake City for information.

very truly yours,

F. W. Reichelderfer, Chief of Bureau.

Copy to Salt Lake City, Utah and Airport Station

AIRPORT STATION

August 13, 1939

Mr. J. Frank Wright, Blanding, Utah.

Dear Mr. Wright:

Your reports are coming through allright for the present. Further instruction will be issued soon.

It will be allright for you and Mrs. Wright to arrange the observations to sult your convenience, except that it will be necessary for you to make five observations daily and Mrs. Wright three observations since you were appointed for that number and can not be paid for more. For this purpose the calender day should be used beginning at midnight but eastern time should be used, that is the 11:30 P. M. observation is to be counted as the first observation of the succeeding day. We may have neglected to so state but it was necessary that Mrs. Wright make one observation on the day of her appointment so it is hoped that she made the 8:15 report on the first day and that the payroll form will so indicate. New Payroll forms will be sent you before end of month. It is necessary also that she take the oath of office. A form is being sent herewith, please have it completed and mailed to this office.

Yoy are doing fine work with instructions to the new man and we appreciate this very much. Some texts on elementary meteorology are available at this staion which may be loaned to you on request. Please advise when you have time for these and we will be glad to send them down, to be used and returned.

Yours very truly,

John A. Cummings Temporarily in Charge.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

OFFICE OF PERSONNEL Washington, D. C.

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Personnel Notification

CAUTION! This letter, while evidencing an appointment as of the date thereof, is not to be accepted as a credential for operating. Any person approached by the holder is entitled, on demand, to view his regular departmental credential in the form of a badge or a current identification card.

Mrs. Dora B. Wright, Weather Bureau.

Action No.:

This is to notify you of the following personnel action:

NATURE OF ACTION: Excepted Appointment

Position, Grade & Salary: Airway Observer, at \$2,00 per diem, wae

Appropriation: Regular Funds

Official Headquarters: Salt Lake City, Utah

Effective Date: August 11, 1939

C. S. Authority: Paragraph 1 (c), Subdiv. IX, Schedule A

Remarks:

Salaries and Expenses Weather Bureau Airways Weather Service and Research

This action is subject to the provisions of paragraphs **b-c-d** indicated below:

- (a) Under this appointment you are subject to the provisions of the Civil Service Retirement Act as amended, and accordingly 31/2% will be deducted from your basic salary for deposit to your credit in the Retirement Fund.
- (b) This appointment is subject to taking the Oath of Office (Standard Form No. 8) which should be submitted to the Department Office of Personnel through the Chief of your Bureau or Office.
- (c) This appointment is subject to completion of the Personal History Statement (Standard Form No. 6), which should be submitted to the Department Office of Personnel through the Chief of your Bureau or Office.
- (d) This appointment is subject to completion of Personnel Questionnaire (Porm No. AD-125), which should be submitted to the Department Office of Personnel through the Chief of your Bureau or Office.
- (e) Retention in the service after the expiration of your probationary period confers permanent Civil Service status upon you.
- (f) This appointment is for the duration of the work.

Legal Residence: Utah

Date of Birth: April 6, 1899

- (g) This appointment is for the duration of the work, but not beyond December 31 of the calendar year in which the appointment is effective.
- (h) This appointment is for the duration of the emergency work, but not beyond June 30 of the fiscal year in which the appointment is effective.
- (i) This appointment is for such time as your services may be required and funds are available for Civilian Conservation Corps work.
- By direction of the Secretary of Agriculture:

Respectfully, Respectfully forwarded: Director of Personnel. Chiel, Business Administration. AUG 1 8 1939 Weather Bureau 21 This action void unless perforated.

AIRPORT STATION

Mrs. Dora B. Wright, Blanding, Utah.

Dear Madam:

With reference to the papers returned with this letter:

You were appointed under the name of Mrs. Dora B. Wright and your name should always appear thus on official papers. Please change Leona to Bevan where ever it appears. This may be done by drawing lines through this name and writing the correct name above.

The information at this office indicates that Blanding is in the first congressional district but in these papers you have given it as the third district. Please verify this information by asking the local postmaster and advise.

Return the papers to this office after correcting.

Yours truly. 71. 1/an

C. F. Van Thullenar, Associate Meteorologist, Temporarily in Charge.

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AIRPORT STATION

November 21, 1939

Mr. J. Frank Wright, Airway Observer, Blanding, Utah.

Dear Mr. Wright:

With reference to your letter dated November 20, 1939:

None of the filing cabinets have as yet been received in this district. It is probable that you will receive yours within a week or ten days.

The cloud atlas is probably being used at Moapa a little longer than anticipated because of the necessity for training several new operators. If you have not received it within the next two weeks please notify us and we will take it up with that station.

The fir posts sent to your station, if not used, should be retained until the next visit of the Inspector. However, if any other use is found for them it is permissable to use them. Information on the NAA broadcast will be sent to you at a later date.

We expect to have some information on the appointment of Lyle Johnson in the near future and would like to know if he will come by Salt Lake City on his way to Riddle.

C. F. Van Thullenar, Associate Meteorologist, Temporarily in Charge.

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AIRPORT STATION

June 20, 1940.

Mr. J. Frank Wright, Airway Observer, Blanding, Utah.

Dear Mr. Wright:

Reference is made to your letter relative to moving into your new office.

With reference to moving the instruments, we are now prohibited by instructions from allowing anyone except regular Weather Bureau employees who have been authorized to do so, to move mercurial barometers. It will, therefore, be necessary for you to wait until some one from this office visits your station before moving the barometer.

Mr. Blaine Ramsden of this office will probably visit you some time within the next week or ten days and he will attend to moving the barometer. He will bring the seven-conductor cable along with him.

Yours very truly,

H. M. Hightman, Meteorologist.

COMMERCE

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF

WEATHER BUREAU SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH

AIRPORT STATION

July 23, 1940

Mr. J. Frank Wright, Airway Observer, Blanding, Utah.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the enclosed Forms 5464, 3464b, 3465. The rendition of Form 5464 is required of all Government employees receiving an annual salary of \$540.00 or more.

Please complete both copies of the form in accordance with the instructions of the accompanying Form 3465 and return both copies of the form to this office at once, by return mail if possible. All questions must be answered with the exception that no entries will be made by you in Blocks 9 and 10. If negative answers apply enter the words "no" or "none".

Form 3464b is a continuation sheet to Form 3464 and need not be rendered unless additional space is required.

Yours very truly,

H. M. Hightman, Meteoriogist.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF WEATHER BUREAU SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH

AIRPORT STATION

July 23, 1940

Mrs. Dora B. Wright, Airway Observer, Blanding, Utah.

Dear Madam:

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H. N. Hightman, Meteoriogist.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE WEATHER BUREAU

Airport Station.

Salt Lake City, Utah

October 22, 1940.

Mr. J. Frank Wright, Airway Observer, Blanding, Utah

Dear Mr. Wright:

It will be satisfactory for you to miss an observation whenever you and Mrs. Wright are ready to go to Moab in order to have the finger printing done.

We did not receive the defective electric bulb you wrote that you were sending and are not sure just what type bulb you require for the barometer. If the bulb we are sending under separate cover is not the kind you require, please let us know.

Yours very truly,

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H. M. Hightman, Meteorologist.

October 24, 1941.

Mrs. Dora Wright, Blanding, Utah.

Dear Mrs. Wright:

I wish to extend my sympathy to you and Mr. Wright at this time of your troubles. That is more troublen than your share at one time. I certainly hope that Mr. Wright will recover from his accident soon.

Do not worry about missing observations. It will be satisfactory to discontinue some of the intermediate three hourly reports until Mr. Wright recovers if you desire to do so.

Sincerely yours,

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H. M. Hightman, Meteorologist.

October 25, 1941

Mr. J. Frank Wright, Airway Observer, Blanding, Utah

Dear Mr. Wright:

Until you are able to take observations again, Mrs. Wright should not make more than three or four of the daily observations, since unless the form forms show your initials on 4 or 5 of the daily observations we cannot pay you the \$3.00 rate and can pay Mrs. Wright only \$2.00 regardless of how many observations she makes. If she makes the observations under your directions and you copy and initial the observations you are supposed to make, we can handle the payments, but your initials will have to appear on the form for all such observations. I am sorry that this is so, but the regulations are strict and we have to comply with them.

I sincerely hope that you will soon recover.

It will be satisfactory to discontinue some of the observations until you are able to make them.

Will you please advise what amount we should pay Earl Wright for the use of his truck. In order to avoid further delay in vouchering his account, please have him sign the enclosed blank voucher and return it to us. We will then complete the voucher after you furnish us the information as to the amount of his bill.

Yours very truly,

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Sincerely yours,

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H. M. Hightman, Meteorologist.

December 15, 1941

Mr. J. Frank Wright, Airway Observer, Blanding, Utah

Dear Mr. Wright:

Thanks for your letter and suggestions of December 13.

It will be all right for you to send a copy of Form 1009 to the San Juan County Office as usual. Present restrictions are against dissemination of current weather information that could be of any possible use to our enemies.

It would be much appreciated if you would investigate the possibilities of reporting all or any part of your observations by telephone to the telegraph office at Thompsons. Such telegrams would be addressed "Airway Observer, Salt Lake City," Wea. rate.

Under separate cover, we are mailing you a supply of envelopes and slips. Fill out one of these slips each day in the usual code showing observations taken but not sent by telegraph or radio and mail daily to this office.

Yours truly,

E. H. Jones, E. H. Jones, Supervising Forecaster J. W. CORBIN, Vice Pres.-Mgr. Moab, Utah

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DR. I. W. ALLEN Moab, Utah

Moab, Utah

Dec. 21, 1941

Mr. Frank Wright, Blanding, Utah

Dear Sir;

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In answer to your letter of December 18th, relative possibility of transmitting messages direct to Thompson 24 hours per day,

Find enclosed a copy of letter which we are today sending the The Wa Weather Bureau, relative the proposition, as to how we think that it would be possible for us to handle the matter.

If in the event they should accept this proposal, we would built extention line to you home, our course you would have to subscribe for a telephone with us at the regular rate of \$1.25 per month, and pay the regular instalation fee of \$2.50.

Would be glad to hear from you again on this matter if, you have any suggestions, or if you get any favorable reply from the Weather Bureau . Yours very truly,, I W. Conto



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Moab, Utah

December 21 , 1941

Weather Bureau, Airport Station,

Salt Lake City, Utah

Centlemon;

Your Observer Mr. Frank Mright, at Blanding, Utah, has written us relative the possibility of establishing 24 hours service direct from Blanding to Thompson, Utah, in order that he might be able to telephone approximately eight messages per day to the Mestern Union at Thompson to be transmitted to you. In answer to this will say that after making a careful check we find that it will be possible for us to furnish this type of service direct from Blanding, our office at Blanding closes at Soclock P M. however by giving Mr. Wright a direct connection from his home to our office at Monticello, this arrangement could be made nicely, inasmuch as all our other offices now has 24 hour service through which this cal lwould have to pass through .

Mr. Wright has also asked for rates covering this type of service, it would be unpossible for us to change our present toll tarriffs, reducing rates, when h might be appliable to any branch of the Goverment, however, there is one way that we might work this out if the Weather Bureau are interested, this matter of course would first have to be taken up with the Public Service Consission, for permission to to do.

Our Station to Station toll rate is .85 per three minute call from Blanding to Thompson, we take it that Mr. Wright would be able to transmitt his messages driect to Thompson, in approximately 3 minutes per call, making a total of 24 toll minutes per day, or \$204.00 per month on the regular toll basis.

We would be willing to set this up under a yearly contract, with the proper permission so to do, at a flat rate of 6100 per month, with the understanding that he hold each message within the three minute limit as near as possible.

If your are interested in this proposition, please advise and we will take the matter up with the Public Service Commission for permission t enter into such a contract with you.

Yours very truly ,

Manager .

SALT LAKE CITY

Airport Station

December 23, 1941

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Mr. J. W. Corbin, Manager, Midland Telephone Company, Moab, Utah

Dear Mr. Corbin:

I thank you for your letter of December 21, relative to an arrangement for 24-hour transmission of weather reports by use of the telephone from Blanding to Thompson. Utah.

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to take this mouse of the Weather Bureau at San Francisco that they are making plans whereby use of the radio at Blanding may be resumed. The radio is a considerable problem, however, even under ordinary conditions, and its permanent use at stations such as Blanding is not entirely settled. Will you, therefore, kindly retain this correspondence, and we will get in touch with you if further difficulty is experienced.

Yours truly,

B. E. Jones, Supervising Porecaster

cc WBO Salt Leke City Hr. J. Frank Wright

December 24, 1941

Mr. J. Frank Wright, Airway Observer, Blanding, Utah.

Subject: War Restrictions on Distribution of Weather Information.

Dear Sir:

In the interests of national defense, the military authorities have requested that restrictions be placed on the distribution of weather information. Upon receipt of this letter and for the duration of the war or until further notice these instructions are effective immediately.

No weather information should be given out from your station to newspapers, radio stations or the public, except where the person making request definitely identifies himself as connected with airline operation or national defense.

Current weather conditions should not be discussed with strangers or persons not previously checked and identified in accordance with the above provisions. Such discussions should not be held at any time, except in connection with the weather or communications service.

This office is held strictly responsible for compliance of these instructions in this district. I will therefore appreciate acknowledgement of receipt of this letter. A form, which should be returned to Weather Bureau Airport Station, Salt Lake City, Utah is ecolosed for that purpose.

Respectfully,

S.r.S.

G. K. Greening, Meteorologist.

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Blanding, Utah. January 22, 1942.

Weather Bureau Airport Station, Salt Lake City, Utah.

Dear Sir:

The enclosed forms were received at this station the same day I met with an accident and received a broken leg. During the confusion they were misplaced and was not discovered until yesterday at the time the files were being checked. We are very sorry this happened.

Regarding forms No. 1083, on line 42 is it necessary to record time that observations are finished or while it is necessary to mail the forms, will it be satisfactory to insert the word "mailed"?

We realize the importance of receiving observations as soon as possible for forecast purposes and are looking forward to the time we will be able to send them in so they will be of value for that purpose.

Very truly yours, J. Frank Wright

Continue filling in Line 42 of Form 1083 with the time the observation is finished.

WEATHER CALL & AIRPORT STATION, SALT LAKE CITY, UTAN

Airport Station

February 9, 1942

Mr. J. Frank Wright, Airway Observer, Blanding, Utah.

Dear Mr. Wright:

In connection with the change to general usage of War Time, while your observations will be taken at the same actual time as previously it will be necessary to designate the times in War Time.

Actual times of rendering your observations will now be as follows: six-hourly observations 06x30, 12x30, 18x30 and 00x30 M.W. (Mountain War Time), or 6:30 a.m., 12:30 p.m., 6:30 p.m., and 12:30 a.m., M.W. Three-hourly observations will be at 03x30, 09x30, 15x30 and 21x30 M.W., or 3:30 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 3:30 p.m., and 9:30 p.m., M.W.

Instructions in connection with beginnings and endings of precipitation, fog, smoke, etc. on Form 1083, however, are that these time entries continue to be made in regular Standard Time as previously. This means, of course, that it will be necessary for you to subtract one hour from your "War Time" clock when making these entries.

Attention is invited to the fact that automatic records such as barograph and rain gage sheets will be continued on Standard Time which will be one hour behind that shown by "War Time" clocks.

Yours very truly,

E. H. Jones E. H. Vones,

E. H. Vones, Supervising Forecaster.

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AIRWAY OBSERVERS

J. Frank Wright Dora B. Wright

Suclosed are registration cards for Correspondence Course in Surface Meather Observations. Would you please 1(1) these cards out properly and rethin to this office se soon as possible.

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Airport Station

September 22, 1942

Dora B. Wright, Airway Observer Blanding, Utah Coalville, Utah Green River, Utah Roosevelt, Utah

MULTIPLE ADDRESS LETTER

We enclose a Ferm 2806-1 and Form 3008 (eard) for your use in the designation of a beneficiary for the funds which are accruing to your account under the present Civil Service Retirement system. It is not mandatory for you to execute these forms. However, it is definitely an advantage to you and your heirs to do so since in the event of your death this money could be paid directly to the person designated by you as beneficiary without court order if the forms have been previously filled out.

If you care to designate a beneficiary, please return these forms properly filled out to this office at your earliest convenience.

Respectfully,

H. Dean Parry, Supervising Forecaster

HDP:RLI Encl.

cc: WBO Salt Lake City, Utah

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE WEATHER BUREAU

Airport Station

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Salt Lake City 3, Utah September 18, 1945

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Mr. J. Frank Wright Airway Observer Blanding, Utah and the consideration of the construction

Reference: Your Letter, September 4, 1945.

Pay Checks for J. Frank Wright and Subject: Dora B. Wright.

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Dear Mr. Wright:

According to information received here a new pay act became effective July 1, 1945, and the portion of the act which applies to airway observers has not been clarified.

> Your checks will no doubt be slightly smaller until the overtime for your class of employee has been determined. It is anticipated that such overtime pay will accumulate and become available to you in the near future.

The Regional Office has computed your pay as follows:

J. Frank Wright		Dora B. Wright	
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Tax	1.30	Tax	3.30
Bonds	9.38	Bonds	3.75
Net	77.67	Net	51.85

Very truly yours,

Archer B. Carpenter

Temporarily in Charge

cc: WBO, Salt Lake City

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December 2, 1946

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Official in Charge Moather Bureau Airport Station Salt Lake City. Utah

Subject: Forceasts for Blanding, Utah

Reference: Carbon copy of our letter of November 18, 1946 to Regional Director, Kanzas City, Missouri

Deer Sir:

Arrangements for distribution of foresasts for the ^Slanding, ^Uteh area, under cortain conditions, have been made with the Weather Bureau Office at Grand Junction, Colorado through the Regional Director, Kanada City, Missouri.

Whenever conditions as outlined below are expected in the Blanding area, it is desired that they be included in the Wish state foreeast. The adapted forecast for Blanding will then be prepared by the Weather Arress Office at Grand Austion and transmitted to our Airway Observers at Blanding by radio belophone at the next three or siz-hourl observation. Forecasts for Blanding are desired when:

1. Indeen abanges in present weather conditions are expected.

2. Severe storms are expected.

5. Frosts during the growing sectors are expected.

The Airway Observors at Blanding will give these forecasts distribution by telephone at no expense to the Weather Bureau.

Please advise this office the date the Blanding area will be included in the Utsh state forecast when required.

Tours very truly.

Floyd D. Young Regional Director

cc: WBRO, Ramons City ARO, Blanding

J. Frank Wright, Airway Observer, Blanding, Utah Name in full (Give your first name, 1,e., what the "J" stands for) Date of birth 12 W mexico Place of birth X Education: Grammar school (Years) High school 2 Normus College or University Jannowen Training and experience (Give a brief summary of all training and experience of any nature that you have had) Personal history (Just a short statement) 915. Was ma 2.5 in 19 mila Present occupation 3 Are you receiving any form of a pension from the Federal If so, state amount Government in and for what service