

Lighthouse Keeping



The story is the same, no matter where the "signpost of the sea" is located—an everyday life spent in family solitude stands between ship and shore as a beacon against tragedy. Now under the Coast Guard, the Lighthouse Service allows a monthly shore leave, and (above) the Egg Rock (Maine) keeper returns to his

vigil. At Bear Island (bottom, left) Mrs. Andrew Kennedy, wife of the keeper, does one of her chores, giving the windows their daily cleaning. Bottom, right: Chief Boatswain's Mate George Woodward at Owls Head does another regular duty, cleaning the emergency kerosene lamp.

