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Commissioner General of Immigration,
Washington, D. C.

Reference is made to Bureau file No. 55391/237, relative to the prospective establishment of a border patrol, and to letter of this effice of the 13th instant, outlining the probable needs of this District in that connection. It is not known whether the additional patrolmen will be known as "Mounted Guards" or not, but it is the opinion of this office (and it may be stated that it is likewise the expressed epinion of District Director Hanson) that these outside men Should be given a designation which will be more fitting to the work which they will perform. These are the men who do practically all of the inspection of trains, automobiles, labor agencies, railroad yards, stc., and it is believed they should be designated as "Inspectors", It is recalled that some years ago there were employees in this District designated as "Mounted Inspectors", and "Junior Inspectors". These grades have been discontinued, at least in this District, but it is respectfully requested that the Bureau give consideration to the advisability of conferring upon the patrolmen some sort of title with "Inspector" in it. Not only would the title of "Inspector" give weight to the position, but it may be stated that some of the railroads hesitate, while others absolutely refuse, to issue annual transportation to Mounted Guards, whereas they do not hesitate to issue the same to Inspectors. It is to these Mounted Guards that we must necessarily look for the inspection of trains, and it is essential that they have the transportation.

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