OUR BRIDGES TOLL FREE

NEW APPRAISALS EXPECTED TO WARREN CONDEMNS POWERFUL ALLY TO KEEP OUR BRIDGES TOLL LIFT ADDITIONAL \$100,000 OUT JAMBOREE BEGINS OF RESORT PROPERTY OWNERS

Heavy Burden To Be Shifted to Owners of Beach Cottages, Motels, and New Homes on Coast, As New Jersey Firm Winds Up Appraisals; in the west who are privileged to Big Decline Expected in Value of Resort Property. Total Shake-Down of Taxes Expected to Be Over Quarter Million Dollars.

CONGRESSMAN HERBERT C.

afternoon were three other out-

Still in Baltimore.

ville, Va.

still?

By VICTOR MEEKINS

Or did Mr. Martin have enemies

Or did Mr. Martin, after a short-

Investigators Come In

Whatever the answers, two keen

An approximate computation of the MAN WHO REVIVED figures growing out of the 1958 tax listing in Dare County reveals a property valuation doubling that of 1957, or a total of close to 37 million dollars. The anticipated tax levy this year will be over \$100,000 greater than last year.

The tax levy is expected to yield well over a quarter of a million dollars. Some of the county funds are running in the red; a lot of extra money is needed for schools, and several county officials are already licking their chops for considerable increases in salary and other expenses.

The bulk of this more than \$100,-000 to be lifted out of the people will be taken from the pockets of those who have built new homes, who own hotels and motels, seashore cottages and unimproved resort acreage.

In Atlantic Township, the valuation has been jumped from six millions to more than \$15 million. In Nags Head township, which

ations have been jumped from figure in the development of the \$5.977.249 to \$14,112,570. Figures for other townships Some two or three times he re-

ed by one big timber company, on the strongly organized opposition whose payroll he has been continguated opposition from real estate interests. As usumided cut in taxes five years ago. The Commissioners met last as usual was accompanied by im-

Friday and approved the work of portant colleagues in Congress. the New Jersey firm. And then Accompanying Congressman they followed with a resolution to Bonner to Dare County Wednesday cut their figures 70 per cent.

70 per cent in value, and the 70 to stopped at the Carolinian Hotel

to be paid by the taxpayers of The party flew back to Wash- Hodges officially crowned the will not be able to appear. Nags Head township, which has ington, Thursday afternon. the second longest beach area.

Here are the district real estate Here are the district real estate valuations just tabulated in Nags IT WAS A LONG, LONG TRAIL

Head township: N. Jersey Values Val. Manteo white \$3,686,020 2,941,163 Manteo colored 251,910 144,753 Manteo colored 251,910 844,180 691,333 Wanchese 9,330,460 2,200,000 Nags Head 15,112,570 5,977,249 Total

The total valuation last year was \$5,977,249 which included all personal property. It is now more than two and a half times greater.

Now to analyze this proposed tax rate of 70 cents. This is the basic rate, and to it will be added in all of Atlantic Township, Nags Head township, Croatan and East Lake townhsips a tax to retire some half a million dollars in school bonds recently issued.

A tax should have been levied postponing a larger pain to a date

less suitable for payment, In the meantime, the appraisers are continuing with the job this week, just selecting a few operations of businesses, which have been brought to their special attention. Values are being placed on these properties now when the year is half gone, and when none of them can know what the taxpayer had on January 1, and this was recovered on Saturday mornis what taxpayers are submitting ing, April 12th?

It's really giving concern to a It's really giving concern to a who wanted to get him out of the living children, had been brought lot of people, now with \$37 mil- the way on that fateful Sunday up to work, and knew his way lion in property on the books to morning, because of his knowledge play with, just how rank this board might go next year, once the elections are out of the way.

HYDE SUIT RESTRAINS

A restraining order by Judge reluctantly conclude he had reach-Clifton Moore in Columbia Wed- ed the end of his rope, and figure consolidated school at Lake Comfort until the county has obtained ried?

the land in fee simple.

The suit was bruoght against the State Board of Education by looking insurance investigators have picked up this week where local officers had left off, and Earl Topping of Sladesville. Con-struction of the school has been underway for several days.

Date for hearing of the case will be announced shortly.

TOLL BRIDGES AS

As Park Is Dedicated, Its Parent Declares Against Second Class Travellers

There should be no second class travellers anywhere in North Carolina; there should not be a class ride free, while people in the east are shacked with tolls.

This was a thunderbolt delivered at the close of his speech by Hon. Lindsay Warren Thursday afternoon at the second event in the dedication of the Cape Hatteras NATIONAL SEASHORE ACT National Seashore.

> Speaking at Coquina Beach, Bodie Island, Mr. Warren blasted those who now propose that our own state place tolls on a bridge at the western entrance to this against the people of the Coastland and those who wish to come Some of our own people now pro to the Seashore Park.

> Mr. Warren said in his speech, bridges. Mr. Warren has just been that it was a happy day in his nominated without opposition to life, and one he had looked for- the N. C. Senate. His long experiward to with great pleasure. He Roosevelt visited Roanoke Island the bridges that are needed. in 1937, the President announced that he had just signed the bill to make the park possible.

Governor Luther H. Hodges of North Carolina, Paul Mellon of the Avalon Foundation from which includes Roanoke Island, the valu- BONNER has been an important funds, matched by North Carolina, resulted in land acquisition for the Cape Hatteras National Seashore National Seashore and former U. S. Comptroller General Lindsay C. were published last week. Even in vived the bill in Congress which Warren of Washington, N. C., who the smallest township in the Coun-ty, Kinnekeet, the \$510,000 in real days which followed World War N. C., introduced the bill creating from their Board of Commissionestate was raised to over a mil- II. He was constantly on job to this first oceanside recreational ers and some other officials. lion dollars. Least hurt will be in Chairman Claude Duvall's territory, where bulk of value is own-Service presided while for the occasion was prouously since he gave them a big al, this week he was on hand, and vided by Elizabeth City High School's pirate band.

In addition to speaking at this spot, south of Nags Head, there were two unique events, Mixing of waters from Old Faithful Geyser at Yellowstone, the first Na-When the property has been cut standing Congressmen. The party tional Park, with the waters of See JAMBOREE, Page Eight

A-WINDING TO A TRAGIC END

IN CANAL NEAR FAIRFIELD

great seashore region, (referring HON. LINDSAY C. WARREN is to Alligator River). Notice was a powerful advocate to see that served that all should fight against the people of Eastern North Caroany such move to discriminate lina shall not be discriminated against and shackled with tolls.

ence and ability should go a long recalled that when Franklin D. way to achieve the completion of HOW MUCH KICKING Allen and sons, Inc. (AGC), Fay-AROUND WILL DARE

pose that we be put under toll

(Editorial Comment)

The present tax situation in Dare County should cause many people to wonder just how much kicking around the citizens of Dare County will continue to take County in Time of Need; Six Empty Places

needed money and paying some the county, and jump the valuamillion dollars, whereby many people's taxes will be more than doubled.

staged this revaluation so its re-70 per cent in value, and the 70 to stopped at the Carolinian Hotel 75 cent tax rate is applied, as it is reported this week the Board intends to do, we will find in the Sub-committee on Interior Dept. Mr. Ernst and Rear Admiral H.

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Cape Hatteras, the first National Seashore will be a special ceremony in which Governor Hodges, Mr. Ernst and Rear Admiral H. sults could not be known to the case of Atlantic Township alone, appropriations, and other members C. Moore of the U. S. Coast Guard taxpayers are being notified to apthat property owners in that area of this committee: the ranking Reand the recreational area's Super-pear on the 28th of April to offer will have to cough up an additional \$45,000 for 1958 taxes.

A comparative amount will have

That property owners in that area of this committee. the ranking ite-date and the recreational area's Superpositions. This is an insult to Sheriff Frank Cahoon, Clerk of their intelligence, for no reasonable and Rep. Thos. P. O'Neill of Mass.; special dedication stage Governor notice is given and many people out opposition. Melvin R. Daniels liam B. Umstead bridge After southern boundary of Nacs Head. special dedication stage Governor notice is given and many people out opposition. Melvin R. Daniels liam B. Umstead bridge. After southern boundary of Nags Head,

> had a meeting, and accepted the valuations that these outsiders have put on the property, and judging by some of the figures we have seen, we think they could only have been done by people insufficiently informed locally to pass on these values. We have heard numerous people discuss these agents, and they have without exception expressed the same opin-Investigators Picking Up Threads Leading To-

ward Death of Virginia Man Reported To Since the board bought this job in the first place, and have accept-Carry Quarter Million Life Insurance: Was ed the work at such great cost to Fugitive From Federal Warrants For Compli-the people, it is not likely they city In Operation of 300,000 Gallon Whiskey will change any of it and give

The Board is in a tight spot. companies. If his death was an They have run the county in the accident or murder, then perhaps hole by spending heavily for proj-

> They want to get elected again and they will undertake something desperate, perhaps not levying ing to soak property owners who

vote for them. With valuations as they have now been doubled, many people will be unable to pay their taxes. Some of them will lose their property. People with money will hesitate to invest. Some who might around. He gambled heavily in build rental homes to provide for See SITUATION, Page Four

Chesley Midgett Jr. of Wanches

NAVY DWELLINGS AT BUXTON TO

Dwellings for 27 Families to Be

Erected Adjacent to Navy Installation personnel attached to the big installation constructed at Cape Hat-

teras during the past three years. are to have splendid quarters. These units, each a separate house, with concrete floors, car-port, heating plant and some with a bath and a half are to be located north of the establishment.

Low bidder at \$463,000 was Hugh G. Strickland, Inc. of Winston-Salem, when bids were opened at 2 p.m. in Norfolk Friday.

The buildings will be of frame construction, with concrete floors, asbestos siding. The location is on the north side of the Navy buildings, and the west of the road leading thereto. The site will have to be filled with a large quantity of sand.

AGC, the construction industry's trade association in the Carolinas, listed the following general contractors bidding on the project:

Hugh G. Strickland, Inc. (AGC), Winston-Salem; J. T. Hardison and Sons, Inc. (AGC), Washington; DuBose Construction Co. (AGC), Kinston; Kellogg-Cuthrell, Inc. (AGC), Manteo; and D. R.

PEOPLE STAND FOR? 22 CANDIDATES FILE FOR PUBLIC OFFICE IN DARE COUNTY

Six offices will go by default in In the face of an all time high the May 31 Democratic primary cost of living the Commissioners for lack of canddiates. Unexpectare taking the county's badly edly, and without any notice having been given, the registration total strangers \$22,000 to come into period closed at Noon Saturday, when most people expected it to tion of property to more than 35 be open until six p.m. This may

Jack Tillett.

rill not be able to appear.

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with his word and several fish gett of Manteo. Mr. Daniels was over to a set of handlines each out, and that he hoped to build up his prospects for pension, three "good-hearted" boys all yielded to his plan nomen to the pension of the ordinary to catch an averhis plea, namely, John H. Long, George A. Daniels, and H. O.

STORY OF THIS WEEK'S PARK COST \$463,000 SERVICE DEDICATION AND THE HISTORY OF THE PROJECT

Twenty seven families of Navy Cape Hatteras National Seashore Project Has Had A Varied and Interesting History Since Its Inception; Made Possible By State and Federal Money, And Gifts From Old Dominion and Avalon Foundations.

> CHOICE FOR MAY QUEEN AT CHOWAN COLLEGE



MISS SARAH BURRUS of Hatteras, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Burrus, a first year student at Chowan College has been chosen May Queen this year. Among other honors, Miss Burrus was chosen to represent Chowan College recently at the N. C. Tournament of College Students held at Campbell

ROCKFISH RUNNING HEAVY IN CROATAN SOUND of Kitty Hawk.

in Croatan and Roanoke Sounds the Park Service Visitor Center for anglers began on the weekend. adjacent to the historic Cape Hathave kept some out of the field. Marty Bowles of Montogomery, teras Lighthouse to commemorate
No candidate filed from KenneW. Va. fishing with a bucktail lure the donation of 2,700 acres of land keet Township for the Board of at the little bridge between Nags to the national seashore by the The commissioners deliberately Education. There are no contests Head and Roanoke Island caught family of the late Henry Phipps. on this Board from the Mainland two on Friday, and in the same A bronze plaque memorializing the District-from Atlantic Township, waters, landed three large-mouth gift was unveiled by Raymond people prior to the time to file for office in the primary. Now Head Township, R. O. Ballance is their normal waters of the north. Head Township, R. O. Ballance is their normal waters of the north.

County Judge W. F. Baum, Manteo, began trolling with a red monies. successful in getting three other loaded with the same lure. In exlikely opponents to give up the idea of running. By tearful appeals that he only wanted a little report, he had landed 120 fish, or more time, that he didn't know one striper per minute. This would what he would do if he got kicked have been an impossible feat with Dedicatio

thinks himself so high and mighty, See POLITICS, Page Four weekend ranged from one to four pounds each.

The Cape Hatteras National Seashore Recreational Area which embraces some 70 miles of surf, sandy beaches and restless dunes along the picturesque Outer Banks of North Carolina, was dedicated as a unit of the National Park System on Thursday, April 24.

Waters from Old Faithful Geyser in Yellowstone, the Nation's first national park, was blended with waters from the Atlantic Ocean as Assistant Secretary of the Interior Roger C. Ernst formally dedicated the first national seashore.

The dedication was held at 2:30 o.m. at Coquina Beach on Bodie Island, a few miles north of Oregon Inlet. Among distinguished guests participating in the ceremony were Governor Luther H. Hodges, of North Carolina, Paul Mellon, representing the Old Dominion and the Avalon Foundations, former Comptroller General of the United States, Lindsay C. Warren and Rear Admiral H. C. Moore, U. S. Coast Guard Commander, Fifth Coast Guard District.

The occasion also marked the opening of the Fourth Annual Dare Coast Pirates' Jamboree and Governor Hodges crowned this year's pirate King and Queen following the dedication of the seashore. Rulers of the four-day jam-boree will be Miss Mary Burrus, of Hatteras, and Linwood Tillett,

On the morning of the dedication The Spring run of striped bass a special ceremony was held at

National Park Service Director On Saturday, Wallace Shannon, Conral L. Wirth presided at both

southward through land. The three islands comprising the seashore, Bodie, Hatteras, and Ocracoke, are connected by free State operated ferries. Two bridges connect Bodie Island with the

Dedication of the National Seashore culminates a movement launched almost a quarter of a century gao when a survey by the National Park Service called public attention to the fact that less than one percent of the Nation's Bridges. And so the man who The rockfish taken during the total coast line was in public ownership and remaining undeveloped areas of the seashore were fast vanishing. At that time the Park Service was directing emergency works projects to control erosion of the Outer Banks and recommended that the Cape Hatteras National Seashore be established.

In August, 1937, Congress en-acted legislation which had been introduced by Mr. Warren, then a Representative from North Carolina, authorizing the establishment of the National Seashore.

The legislation provided that appropriated Federal funds could not be used to acquire lands for the seashore. The State of North Carolina established a Commission to acquire lands through donation and purchase.

In 1952 the Avalon and Old Dominion Foundations, Philanthropic organizations established by the See DEDICATION, Page Four

SEASON'S SEVENTH TUNA CAUGHT SUNDAY, HATTERAS

Trolling from Capt. Clam Stowe's cruiser Ursula in the Gulf off Hateras on Sunday the seventh bluefin tuna of the season was landed by Washington, D. C, Angler Jack Aaronson. His fish weighed approximately 65 pounds and was the smallest of the seven taken off Hatteras.

Landing large bluefin tuna off Hatteras has atracted wide atten-Hatteras has atracted wide attention, not only among anglers who enjoy fishing for them and other big game species of fish, but also icthyologists at the Woods Hole Oceanographic Institute in Massachusetts, the U. S. Fisheries Station in Beaufort and the Fisheries Marine Labratory of The University of Miami. Credit for landing the big fish first goes to Cat. Edgar Styron who had raised them to bait off Hateras in 1957.

UNCLE SAM FROM SYCAMORE WRITES:

DEAR MISTER EDITOR: I see by the papers where

Congressman Carroll Kearns of Pennsylvania has introduced a bill to put the Star Spangled Bonner in the key of A flat so folks won't stumble over them high notes near the end.

I'm in favor of anything that'll help the Star Spangled Banner git back in good standing in this country. We got kids in school today that can sing all five verses of Elvis Presley's "Hound Dog" that ain't never heard of the Star Spangled Ban-

As usual, they referred the Kearns bill to a congressional committee. That means it's cost the taxpayers about \$10,000, whether we git it settled in A flat or F sharp. The committee will ask a handful of guvernment clerks to make a report on the matter. The report will run to about 200 pages and cost about \$10,000, which is about par fer the congressional report

Abe Lincoln asked his secre tary onct to find out something about a saddle horse advertised fer sale in the papers. Six weeks later he got a 150-page report on the horse. After reading the first two paragraphs, Abe throw-ed the report in the wastebasket and called fer his secretary. He told him that fer all he knowed, the horse could be dead by now, and furthermore he just c- wanted to know the good and in bad points about the horse, not a report on how many hairs in the

horse's tail.

We got thousands of Federal employees spending millions ever year counting the hairs in the horse's tail. A thing like this Star Spangled Banner report could easily git out of hand.

And I see where they're still agitating that business about higher pay fer teachers. I consider myself a living example of the product of low paid teachers. I'm in favor of raising a teacher's pay high enough that they won't be no more ignorant folks like me in the next generation.

But I think it's about time them politicians git back on the farmer platform again. When I was a young man no canddiate could git in office unless he run on a platform of relief fer the farmer. It never helped the framer none, but it made him feel important. I been feeling mighty neglected here of late since the politicians is all running after the school vote. The next candidate that gits my vote has got to have a plank in his platform calling fer bigger and better relief fer the farmer.

One other item in the papers caught my fancy this week. Some automobile manufacturer from Detroit says the automobile has been a "great moral force" in this country. I can't figger that one out. Maybe it stopped horse stealing, but aside from that can't see nothing it's done fer morals.

the entertainment of the people of week's investigators are from Hyde County, as investigation is Norfolk and New York. resumed in the death of Charles Let's look at the

Did Mr. Martin deliberately up in Franklin County, Va. He drive his car off the road and to was a contractor and builder of can't vote, while reducing the obthe bottom of the Canal on Sun-houses, a developer of real estate, ligations of those they hope will day morning, April 5th, and from where his car with the body inside gaged in other enterprises.

He was married to a charming little wife, and he had a son, and a grandchild. He was one of nine

of whiskey operations in Balti-more, which embraced the opera-tion of a 300,000 gallon whiskey Fairfield in the timber business. CHESLEY MIDGETT BUYS

looking insurance investigators have picked up this week where local officers had left off, and are seeking to unravel the case, and to find them. Mr. Martin was a door glass. He said he had an tive in as isting Mr. Midgett in heavily insured in at least three

A grim tale of life and death, some of these policies would pay ects not authorized by law, and by of alleged evasion of law, of big off double. If it was suicide, then overspending appropriations. They on these bonds this year, but it time operations in contracting, there is a question of paying at allow \$86,000 in taxes to go unwas held off, which amounts to lumbering farming, and liquor postponing a larger pain to a date making is unfolding this week for hadn't been long in force. This They want to get ele resumed in the death of Charles Let's look at the story of enough money to pay out this year, Hurst Martin, 47, late of Sydnors-Charles Hurst Martin, 47, who but making the burden doubly

owned a big dairy and cattle farm heavy next year. They are attempta speculator in timber, and en-

He handled several big tracts of timber. He lived at Lindsay Sad-CONSTRUCTION OF SCHOOL life of big time operating, and ler's nice new motel, and the Sadplunging in business ventures, ler's speak highly of him. He was ler's speak highly of him. He was always agreeable, paid his bills Archie Burrus grocery in Mantec a most agreeable couple. Left Own Car Behind

INTEREST IN GROCERY has bought an interest in the

promptly, and was no trouble at where he has been employed for clifton Moore in Columbia wednesday afternoon, has stopped the
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ginia, she came down and stayed
rus' Self Service Food Center. The surance he is reported to have carwith him, and they seemed to be business has been operated by a most agreeable couple.

Archie Burrus, sole owner for the Along about the fourth of April he drove his 1954 Cadillac auto-