

**November 17, 1938
Government Orders
Sale of Peaked Hill
Coast Guard Station**

As predicted several months ago by The Provincetown Advocate the Peaked Hill Coast Guard Station, abandoned a year ago, has been ordered sold, leased, or restored to the grantors by the government. Included in the order is the Monomoy Coast Guard Station, and other stations abandoned at the same time along the Atlantic Coast and the Great Lakes.

At the time the prediction was made it was suggested that the Peaked Hill Station with its building on the splendidly isolated site with fine ocean frontage might be converted into a hotel.

**Work on Coast Guard Tower
March Is Started 1939**

Work on erecting a 50-foot steel look-out tower to be used by the Coast Guard near the abandoned Peaked Hill Station was started this week with the unloading Tuesday of the steel girders brought here by the Coast Guard patrol boat Travis. The tower, the highest of any on the Cape will give the guardians of the coast a wide sweep of vision over the treacherous Peaked Hill Bars, among the most dangerous on the Eastern seaboard.

**Boston Physician
Buys Peaked Hill**

**Famous Coast Guard Station
Bid In For \$207**

Peaked Hill Coast Guard Station, famous guardian for almost a quarter of the century of one of the most dangerous points on the New England coast has been sold by the Government to Dr. Vincent Sayward of Weymouth Heights, Mass., for many years a summer visitor here, for \$207.

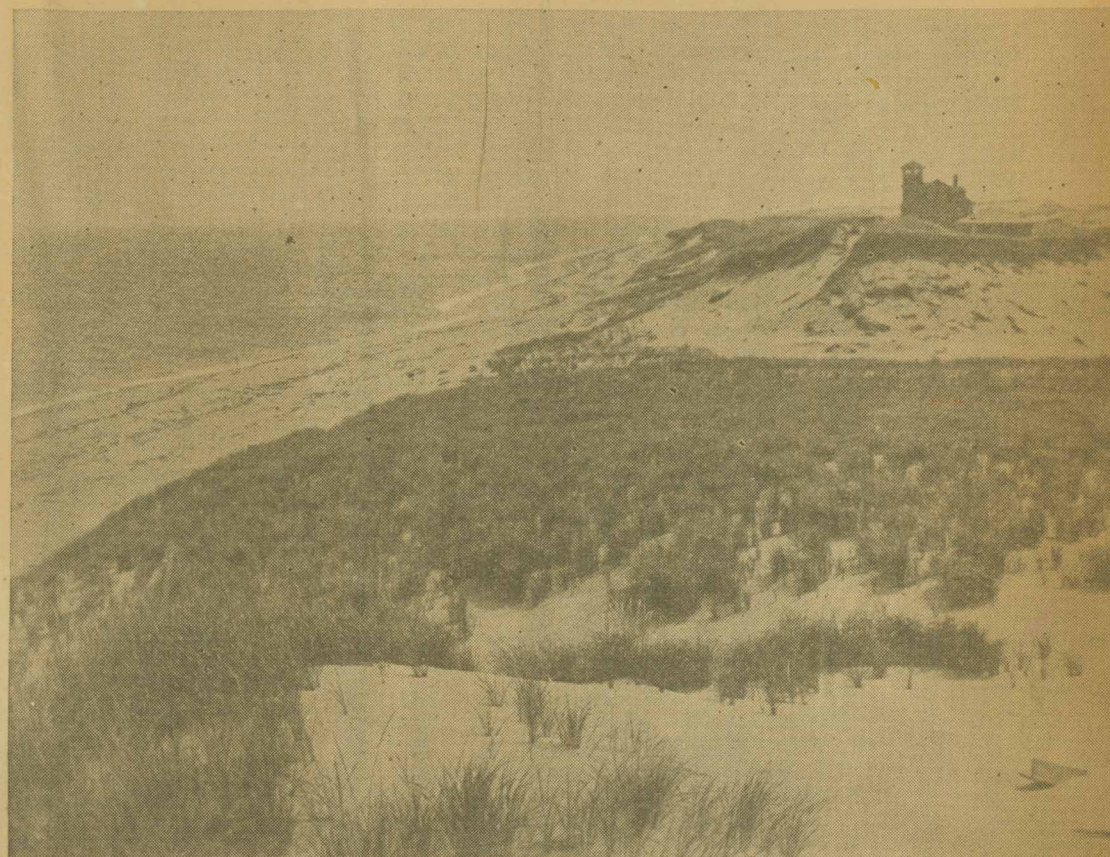
The station is a substantial seven room structure in perfect state of repair. It has two large sunporches which look out over the restless waters of the Peaked Hill bars, and it is equipped also with a bath and a large basement. The station lies at the end of the famous Snail Road which is an almost invisible trail leading up and down over the rilling dunes and which is navigable only by cars equipped with special extra large, doughnut tires.

Peaked Hill Station was built in 1914 and was in active service until it was closed, along with several others on the Cape, by the Coast Guard Service on July 22, 1937. For a year afterward, Coast Guardsman Frank Henderson remained at the station, keeping a closely vigil over the barren wastes and rugged seas of Peaked Hill. Mr. Henderson, who was on duty at the station for a number of years prior to its closing, said this morning that he himself would have tried to buy the station but men in the service are not permitted to bid on condemned government property nor have agents bid for them.

Mr. Henderson said this morning that he could not learn the plans that Dr. Sayward might have for his newly acquired property. Dr. Sayward has been visiting Provincetown for the past 35 years and has spent much of his time on the dunes.

The property was sold with the understanding that the building would be moved within 60 days unless an arrangement were made with the owner of the land on which it is located to permit it to remain. It is understood that E. J. Beede of Mayflower Heights claims title to the land.

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Famous Coast Guard House overlooking dangerous point on Cape goes to private owner.

Ships wrecked along the Cape Cod coast up until 1903 were located approximately on a map made for just that purpose. So many tragedies have been marked as to make and notations barely discernible.