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Preliminary Notice, August 5th, 1920

National Official Opening of the Pilgrim Tercentenary Celebrations from August 29th through Sept. 6th at Provincetown, Mass.

Provincetown Tercentenary Committee

The first landing place of the Pilgrims on the shores of America was at Provincetown. Therefore on August 29th there will begin here the year of celebrations throughout the United States that will observe the great event in our history, the founding of the Nation here by the signing of the immortal Compact in this harbor.

The Compact is to the history of modern free government what the Magna Charta was to the centuries between. Therefore we can say that the center of all American Institutions lies in Provincetown.

Suitable memorials are to be erected connecting the Pilgrim Monument with the harbor where the Compact was signed.

In the developing of the Celebration valued assistance is being rendered to Provincetown by the United States Government, The Sulgrave Institution, The Mayflower Council, and the Patriotic Societies of the United States.

Programme to Date

Sunday, August 29th. The Religious Opening.

Morning Services in the five churches.

An afternoon public meeting.

An evening meeting for the Sailors of the Fleet.

Special speakers will be heard on each occasion of national and international reputation.

On Friday, August 27th, the Admiral of the Atlantic Squadron arrives, and battleships of Great Britain, Holland, France, Portugal, Spain and Canada have been invited to join the Fleet.

An informal reception will be given the Admiral and the Officers of the Fleet on the 28th.

Monday, August 30th

Parade, 1:30.

National Civic Meeting at the Monument. Speeches commemorating the great events of 1620, 3:30.

Daylight fireworks for children, 6 P. M.

Banquet, 7:30 P. M.

Fireworks and illumination of the Fleet, 8:30 P. M.

Ball at Town Hall, 9:30 P. M.

The Mayflower Council celebrates here and throughout the United States on Monday, Sept. 6th.

The days between are being taken by various organizations including a pageant at North Truro.

The details of the balance of the programme will be announced by the Associated Press by August 15th.

Throughout the celebration special events will be arranged for the sailors in port.