

Surprise Boat Is Due Here Saturday S. S. Provincetown One Week Later

Surprise arrival this Saturday at 1:30 p.m. of the motor vessel "Yankee" on the first of her scheduled daily dockings all Summer until Labor Day at Monument Wharf here, was revealed last night by Tim Casey, president of the Provincetown Cruise Line, which owns the boat. And the S. S. Provincetown, which will run again this season from Boston to MacMillan Wharf, is expected to start its daily dockings on the following Saturday, June 29, Town Manager Walter E. Lawrence said.

Mr. Casey said the Yankee will leave Rowe's Wharf, Atlantic Avenue, Boston, at 10 a.m. daily and Sundays throughout the Summer, arriving here about 1:30 p.m. and after a three-hour stopover to allow round-trip passengers time for dining, shopping and sight-seeing it will leave the dock at 4:30, arriving back in Boston at 8 p.m.

Diesel Powered

The 165-foot diesel powered vessel with a maximum draught of nine feet, equipped with ship-to-shore radio, depth finder and radar, has a Coast Guard certi-

ificate for 525 passengers, the boat line president said. He described the Yankee briefly as having a top deck which "most people seem to want," deck chairs, a snack bar, a cocktail lounge and juke-box music for dancing.

He added that the "Yankee" has operated for about 11 years on a run from Providence, R. I., to Newport, R. I., to Block Island, a sail, he said, of about the same distance as that between Provincetown and Boston and with similar sailing conditions.

He stressed that the town may be assured of service seven days a week, weather permitting. He also pointed out that there will be no problems due to tide conditions. He said that there is a channel at both sides of Monument Dock and that the "Yankee" will dock at either side, depending on wind direction.

Monument Dock has been undergoing repairs, with planks replaced where needed, Mr. Casey said. A cat-log similar to that at MacMillan Wharf is being installed the full length of Monument Dock on both sides, and a barricade six-feet high of heavy

timber and sheathing lumber is being erected completely across the end of the wharf to insure safety, he said.

Plans for the month of July include a discount ticket arrangement with A&P food stores in Boston; and during August approximately 650 thousand discount tickets will be distributed throughout the city of Boston in Stop and Shop food stores, Mr. Casey said. "The aim," he pointed out, "is to keep the boat pretty well filled up seven days a week." He noted that response has been "very good so far".

Second Boat

Town Manager Lawrence said that he was notified by B. B. Wills, president of the Maryland Boat Lines of Arlington, Virginia, that the S. S. Provincetown was going into dry dock tomorrow, where a large opening will be cut into the front of the vessel and a motor installed to enable the boat to swing in sideways at the wharf, thus avoiding coming in hard against the dock as happened last year.

He pointed out that the S. S. Provincetown, which takes 14 feet of water, will be handicapped again this year on certain tides. He said it will either not come in on certain days of low tide in the afternoon or it will have to wait out the tide before

docking as it did last year.

The Town Manager reported that he has been notified by the State that the dredging he has requested will not be done until next Spring.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 31, 1961

Wharfinger Reports On Damage To Pier

In his most recent report to Town Manager Walter Lawrence, Harbor-master Arthur B. Silva has detailed damage to MacMillan Wharf which he said was caused by the Boston Boat.

Mr. Silva reports that on July 16 the S.S. Provincetown broke an 8 x 10 x 24 foot timber on the outside of the dock, on July 20 a wooden ladder on the southeast side, on July 22 a 4 x 6 x 12 foot timber on the gangway and on July 31 broke a log on the southwest corner dolphin.

The Wharfinger further reported that on August 4 the ship broke an iron bolt holding a rubber bumper to the southeast corner and on August 5 broke another log on the southwest corner dolphin. As a result, Mr. Silva said, this dolphin is practically all gone with only four piles left, which are all also practically broken.

During the two weeks preceding his report the excursion vessel brought 6,516 tourists to Provincetown, Mr. Silva said, and did not run on six days. During the same period 141 yachts visited town.

Boat Will Give Town \$1,000 Dolphin Selectmen Consider Routine Matters

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B. B. Wills of Tolchester Lines, which operates the Boston-Provincetown excursion boat, in a letter read at a meeting of the Provincetown Board of Selectmen in Town Hall Monday night, agreed to contribute \$1,000 toward the construction of a "large and substantial dolphin on the southwest corner of the Town dock, this dolphin not to be less in size and number of pilings than the new dolphin installed last Summer." Mr. Wills suggested that the proposed dolphin be four feet higher than the recently installed dolphin so that the vessel will not ride over it.

The letter said, "We agree to pay this \$1,000 within 30 days from the date the dolphin is put in and will make this payment direct to the contractor or in any way elected by you." Mr. Wills' letter went on to state, "The above is in consideration for the forgiveness of the \$1,500 dock rent and to take care of any damages the S. S. Provincetown may have caused during the season of 1962."

sion following the open meeting the Selectmen estimated that the temporary increased resident population of Provincetown as of July 10 will be 12,100. Last year the estimate was 9,100.

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From Provincetown: Leaving 4:30 P.M. Arriving Boston 8:00 P.M.