



... Town Crier, Fred Baldwin & the Bas Relief- 1969

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Bas Relief cleaning begins

The town has contracted the firm of Stuart Dean, of New York, to "repair and refurbish" the Bas Relief for \$6,000.

The work has already begun, and should be completed by August 3, Town Manager Robert Killoran said.

Stuart Dean will strip, then restore the original bronze. After chemically oxidizing the entire relief, protective oil will be applied to it.

The town appropriated \$1200 to strip the

Relief from articles from 1969 and 1970 Town Meetings, the town manager said. The restoration will be funded from a 1971 article and from Bicentennial resources, he said.

The Relief, which depicts the signing of the Mayflower Compact, was painted brown and gold under former Town Manager Gardner Benson. Public outcry against the painting prompted town officials to seek bids to "remove the gilt."



Bradford Street facing West, behind the Town Hall (See tower). Ryder Street, Arrow - 1910



Town Crier in front of the Bas-Relief Tablet - 1969
Fred Baldwin