## BUTTE HIGH SILVER B'S SHORT HISTORY OF THE WORLD WAR II MEMORIAL PARK – STATUE AND PLAQUE



WHILE WORLD WAR II WAS ROARING IN 1943, THE BUTTE HIGH SILVER B'S REACHED OUT TO A YOUNG BUTTE NATIVE AND SCULPTOR, MR. JOHN "JACK" WEAVER JR., AND GAVE HIM HIS VERY FIRST COMMISSION...TO SCULPT A STATUE FOR THE ORGANIZATION. THE MEMBERS OF THE BUTTE HIGH SILVER B'S FOOTBALL ORGANIZATION HAD A VISION TO ERECT THE STATUE AND PLAQUES AT SOLDIERS MEMORIAL PARK...WHICH WOULD HONOR THE MEN AND WOMEN FROM BUTTE WHO FOUGHT IN WORLD WAR II. THIS SITE WAS A PERFECT LOCATION TO SHOWCASE THE WORK BEING DONE BY MR. WEAVER.

THE STATUE WAS UNVEILED AT SOLDIERS MEMORIAL PARK, ON S. WYOMING STREET...ACROSS THE STREET FROM THE MAIN ENTRANCE TO BUTTE PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL, ON MEMORIAL DAY - THURSDAY MAY 30, 1946. THE CONCRETE STATUE STOOD OUTSIDE FOR MANY YEARS IN BUTTE'S HARSH CLIMATE. OVER TIME, IT STARTED TO DETERIORATE SO LOCAL VETERAN'S ORGANIZATIONS HAD IT REPAIRED AS WELL AS COMMISSIONED A BRONZE REPLICATE THAT IS CURRENTLY ON DISPLAY AT STODDEN PARK IN BUTTE, MT. THE ORIGINAL STATUE WAS SCULPTED OUT OF RE-ENFORCED CONCRETE AND CURRENTLY SITS JUST INSIDE THE ENTRANCE DOORS OF THE BUTTE-SILVER BOW COURTHOUSE.

THE WORLD WAR II MEMORIAL WAS OFFICIALLY DEDICATED ON MAY 25, 1947. IT WAS A BEAUTIFUL CREATION THAT THE BUTTE COMMUNITY WAS VERY PROUD OF AND THAT MANY LOCALS AND GUESTS TO OUR TOWN ENJOYED VISITING. THERE WERE MANY EPISODES OF VANDALISM THAT OCCURRED THROUGHOUT THE YEARS...WHICH LED TO THE UNFORTUNATE DEMISE OF SOLDIERS MEMORIAL PARK!

THE FOLLOWING NEWSPRINT ARTICLES AND PHOTOGRAPHS WILL GIVE YOU A GLIMPSE INTO THE (TIMELINE) HISTORY OF THE WORLD WAR II SOLDIERS MEMORIAL PARK.





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# **Plague to Honor Former Butte High Students in Service**

## **Dedication Rites to** Be in January; To Bear 1,550 Names

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The names of 1,550 former Butte high school students, boys and girls, who are in the uniformed services of their nation, will be inscribed on an honor roll plaque to be erected in the park on South Wyoming street, directly opposite the school. A memorial monument dedicated May 30, 1940 to all Silver Bow county veterans of previous wars, already stands in the park.

The plaque paying tribute to the youth of Butte serving in the present conflict will be erected by the Butte high school Silver B's, an organization of former Butte high football players who competed 25 years ago or more.

Dedication ceremonies to be held in January are being planned by a committee headed by John H. Curtis, Jr., president, and including W. P. "Wreck" Donnelly, Stanley bert G. MacLean, Harold H. Scilley Griffiths, George Curtis, Herb Bre- | and Arvo Frederickson.

therton, Herb Mills, Mike Blynn, Roy Richards, Art Saner, Dr. R. R. Schroeder, Ralph Dawson, Alex Blewett and Ed Dolan.

Typists are also engaged in preparing the list of names to be inscribed on the plaque. This list will be published previous to the dedication in order that residents of the Mining city may check the names and add to the list in case of omissions.

The plaque will be erected on a concrete base with concrete back and wing supports. The honor roll list will be glassed in and arrangements are being made to have the plaque lighted at night.

Gold stars will be placed before the names of those who gave their lives in service of their country. This list is made up of Norman G. Featheroff, James M. Gill, Jr., Paul L. Medvit, George W. Johnson, Jr., Frank Tamietta, Albert K. Trudgian, Albert A. Cullen, Eso Naranche, Harry Berdner, Louis St. Onge, Her-

## THE MONTANA STANDARD DECEMBER 12, 1943

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### THE MONTANA STANDARD DECEMBER 26, 1943

### More Than 400 Names Are Added to<sup>\*</sup> Butte High School's List of Servicemen



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## THE MONTANA STANDARD JANUARY 24, 1944

### NA STANDARD, BUTTE, MONDAY MORNING, JANUARY 24, 1944

## Names Added to Service Role

### **Butte High Ceremony Plans Furthered**

"I have just finished reading a Montana Standard for Dec. 12, and note that on its servicemen's page the names of Butte high graduates in the armed forces are listed. I did not see either my name or that of Dick Gambill. Both of us are doing our part up here in the Aleutians and would like to be listed. We follow the sports program at Butte high closely and regret that the Bulldogs did not do so well this year. Best regards to all." Signed, Pfc. Tom B. McKee, U. S. Army.

Letters such as the one above are received at Butte high school each week as Mining city boys in the armed forces, whose names were left off the original honor roll list published on this page, write to add their names to the roster. In some instances, such letters are received from parents, relatives and friends of servicemen.

With the addition of 129 names Robert Raymond Humphrey. during the last week, a total of 529 have been added since first publication made several weeks ago.

Meanwhile, plans for the dedication of an honor roll plaque, to be erected in the park on South Wyoming street, directly across from Butte high school, are rapidly nearing completion.

The plaque, to be erected by Butte high school Silver B's, in honor of former Butte high school students, boys and girls, in the armed forces will, according to the last roster check, bear 2,159 names.

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be open to relatives of the boys and girls to be honored. Work of compiling an accurate list and securing a suitable plaque requires much research and, as yet, a definite date for the dedication has not been set. However, it will be staged within the next few weeks, Silver B committee members said.

Names added to the plaque list in the last week, follow:

John E. Ambrosetti, Joseph H. Archer, Gaylord O. Atkins, Clyde Benson, Mike Brennan, George Brusin, Roy Brusin, Fred Vivian Bull, Charles Button.

Valentine H. Carlow, Matt Cassick, Vern L. Cline, Jack D. Cochrane, Phillip C. Crase, George Crothers, Norman D. Crowley, James Michael Cunningham, Hugh Currie.

Charles Clark Dickman, William Morei Dickman, William G. Dobb, Eileen Dowling, Wesley Dowling, Dorothy Downey, Andrew M. Driver, John Dunne.

Frederick Rudolph Fortune, Eugene Fuehr, Dick Gambill, John E. Gentry, John Gillie, James A. Goforth, Royce E. Gunter.

Martin Hagenson, George Hardisty, Catherine Harris, Ellen L. Hastie, John P. Helehan, Bill Charles Hietala, William Hodge, Jerome J. Horgan, Elmer Hugo,

John F. Johns, Wilbur Johnsen, Donald W. Johnson, Harold R. Johnson, Vernon Johnson, Ernest A. Jones, James W. Jones.

Joseph Roy Kalsher, Harold A. Kautzman, John B. Kautzman, Jr., Charles J. Kelly, James D. Kelly, William J. Kriskovich.

Charles J. Laukkonen, Arthur Lewis, Harvey Lewis, Carl Lind, Dave Loughran.

Harry Roderick MacDonald, Eugene W. Mack, Gene A. Mack, Gordon MacPherson, Lester P. Madlena, Sam Mahan, Warren Plans of the Silver B's provide Mahan, Jack Marshall, Marvin Reid

Thomas H. McGovern, Thomas Henry McGuinness, Thomas B. Mc-Kee, Elmer H. McNabb, Walter J. Mcdan.

Francis A. Merzlak, Wilbur Metcalf, Arthur Bernard Morgan, Frank Morse, Irene Murphy, Phyllis E. Norris, Joseph F. Novak.

Theodore J. One, Annabell Orchard, Thomas J. Page, Ernest Parmelee, William A. Pesanti, Karl Peterson, Rudolph M. Petritz, Clarence Pollock, John Predovich.

Walter E. Regan, Elmer Roach, Sam Roach, Wesley Roach, Raymond M. Rogers.

Nicklous Sayatovic, Donald C. Schultz, James N. Scilley, Ray J. Scott, Jack V. Seymour, Frank (Buster) Snell, Chester Joseph Stodden, Harry Symons.

Richard Ralph Tarrant, Ted J. Thomey, Leland Thompson, John Tremis, Harold Gilmore Vincent.

Daniel E. Walsh, Edward J. Walsh, Géorge L. Watson, Richard H. Webb, Harold Weitz, Sigurd B. Wenaas, Leonard Wilkinson, Richard Wilkinson, Harry J. Williams, Jeoffrey A. Woodhouse, Bob Zeigler, Joe Zobenica.

James T. Cochrane, Charles J. Hanson, Howard P. Hanson, John Mazzola, Bill Zimmerman.

## Soldier Writes From **Base** in England

DILLON, Jan. 24-(Special)-Word has been received here from Corp. Roy Ames, former Dillon youth, now serving with the U.S. Army air corps somewhere in England.

Corporal Ames is with a ground crew and states that the crews are working night and day to keep planes in condition for their bombing raids on Germany.

There is a "dry monsoon" as well as a "wet monsoon," in the Orient, and the one is likely to be just as

### THE MONTANA STANDARD FEBRUARY 13, 1944

## Public Will See Butte High School Memorial Plaque Model This Week

Mining city residents will be given an opportunity during this week to view a model of a memorial plaque containing the names of 2,233 former Butte high school students who are now in the service of their country.

The sculptured mode of the plaque was completed Saturday by Jack Weaver, 23-year-old Butte sculpturer, and will be exhibited on the stage of the school auditorium.

The Butte high school Silver B's, an organization composed of Mining city men who competed in football at the school 25 years ago or more, is sponsoring erection of the plaque. The honor roll when completed, will be set up in Memorial park on Wyoming street, just east of the high school.

First public showing of the plaque model will be held on Monday night at 8 o'clock. This preview will be open to all Silver B's and members of the school board. On Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock a general assembly of Butte high school students will be held, at which time the model will be placed on display for students and teachers of the school.

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with the serving of a prettily appointed lunch. Valentine favors marked covers for Mrs. Ted Hounnell, Mrs. Hugh Sheridan, Mrs. Bill Polkinghorn, Mrs. Joe Lonner, Mrs. John Brakovec and the hostess.

The Ladies' Aid society of the Welsh church will meet Thursday afternoon at the church, Dakota and Aluminum streets. Mrs. Lou Braman will be the hostess.

Unit No. 2, United Congregational guild met Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Harry Dunstan, 2403 Bayard, with Mrs. Weldon Mainard co-hostess. Luncheon was served at a table of lovely appointments, the details carrying out suggestions of the Valentine

Wednesday at 12 o'clock noon a luncheon will be served in the high school cafeteria for all business men's groups and civic club members of the community. Following the luncheon the plaque will be shown.

School will be dismissed on Wednesday at noon and starting at 1:30 o'clock the general public is invited to visit the high school and view the plaque. Teachers of the school will remain in the building during the afternoon, not only to escort visitors to the auditorium where the plaque is on display, but also to escort any persons interested on a visit through the high school building.

### **Description of Plaque**

The plaque, paying tribute to former students of the school serving their nation in the world-wide conflict, will be erected on a concrete base with concrete back and wing supports. Each of the four columns, forming back and wing supports, will stand 16 feet high and will be equipped with Neon lights for night display. The plaque will be 60 feet wide and 19 feet deep. A bronze monument of a soldier, standing seven feet high on a base six feet, nine inches in height, will be erected in the foreground. The honor role list, to be inscribed in bronze on a white background, will be glassed in.

The names of 19 former students, in addition to those previously published, were added to the school honor roll during the last week. The list follows:

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It is anticipated by Silver B club members that the plaque will be ready for dedication sometime early in the spring. Appropriate dedicatory cerefonies are planned. JA STANDARD, BUTTE, SUNDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 13, 1944



MODEL OF BUTTE HIGH WAR HONOR ROLL PLAQUE ON DISPLAY—Shown above is a model'of the Butte high school World War II honor roll plaque to be erected in Memorial park, just east of the school building. The plaque, when completed, will bear the names of 2,233 former Butte high school boys and girls, serving in the armed forces. Gold stars will be placed opposite the names of those who have paid the supreme sacrifice. The model, built to scale, was sculptured by Jack Weaver, 23, talented Butte artist, a graduate of Butte high school and the Art Institute of Chicago and son of J. B. Weaver, Butte high school art instructor. He is standing to the left in the picture. At the right is John H. Curtis, Jr., president of the Butte high school Silver B's, organization sponsoring the building of the plaque. The model will be on display at the high school, starting Monday.

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## THE BUTTE DAILY POST FEBRUARY 16, 1944

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Wednesday at noon members of the Rotary, Kiwanis, Exchange and Active clubs of the city, and other business and professional men's groups, enjoyed luncheon in the high school cafeteria. The affair was sponsored by the Butte high school Silver B's, an organization of former high school football players who competed 25 years ago or more. More than 275 public-spirited re-

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At 1:30 o'clock the display was opened to the general public and hundreds of Butte residents visited st the school. They not only viewed the plaque model, but accompanied by teachers of the school, visited the various classrooms of the building. Classes at the school were dismissed at noon.

# More Than 250 Reservations Made for High School Civic Luncheon

More than 250 reservations have been made for the luncheon to be given at Butte high school cafeteria today at noon for members of the Rotary, Kiwanis and Exchange clubs of the city and business men's groups. The affair will be sponsored by the Butte high school Silver B's and will precede a showing for the respective groups of the high school honor roll plaque model on display in the auditorium.

The plaque proper, when completed will be erected in Memorial park, just east of the school building. A total of 2,233 names of former Butte high school boys and girls serving in the armed forces is already listed on the plaque records.

W. P. (Wreck) Donnelly, chairman of the Silver B's committee in charge of the plaque program, has announced that the luncheon will start promptly at 12 o'clock, the exhibition of the plaque model at 12:45 and all concerned will be able to leave the building at 1 o'clock.

Starting at 1:30 o'clock a public showing of the plaque model will be held. All Mining city residents interested, especially relatives and

friends of former Butte high students in the services, are invited to attend this showing. School will be dismissed at 12 noon but teachers of the institution will remain in the building to escort interested citizens through the school classrooms after the plaque showing. Visitors to the building will be shown the plaque at 15-minute intervals throughout the afternoon.

The Silver B's and members of the board of school trustees viewed Cerethe plaque Monday night. monies were held in which members of the Army, Navy and Marine corp personnel stationed in this city participated. As the plaque was unveiled a soldier, sailor and marine stood at attention beside the model while Bernard Bretherton, standing behind a curtain on the auditorium stage sang, "Say a Prayer for the Boys Over There." The same ceremony will be repeated during the showing for businessmen and civic club members of the city The plaque model was today. sculptured by Jack Weaver, son of J. B. Weaver, Butte high school art instructor, and a graduate of the Art Institute of Chicago.

## THE MONTANA STANDARD FEBRUARY 17, 1944

## Unveil Honor Roll Plaque Businessmen Turn Out for Affair

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## Ennis Couple Are Parents of Twins

Twin sons, the first twins recorded at St. James hospital this year, were born Wednesday morning at that institution. The parents are Mr. and Mrs. Albert Rickard of Ennis who have four other children. Mother and twins are doing nicely, hospital attendants said.



# **Memorial Plaque Honors** 2,233 Former Butte Pupils

BUTTE, Feb. 19. - (Special) -Butte residents had an opportunity this week to see a model of a memorial plaque which is to be erected here to honor 2,233 former Butte high school students who are now in the service of their country.

## Forest Service Parachute Work To Be Expanded

MISSOULA, Feb. 19.-(Special)-Approximately 100 men will be in the parachute school to be conducted by the forest service this spring.

Last year the forest service trained aerial fire fighters for region No. 1 with headquarters here and also conducted a special course for medical men of the Second air force. This year fire detail jumpers for regions 4 and 6, as well as No. 1, are to be trained.

Eighteen men of the parachute jumping squadron remained on duty throughout the winter, handling Weaver, a 23-year-old Butte resisome of the off-season duties formerly assigned to the civilian con-

The Silver Bs, an organization of Butte men who played football at the local high school 25 or more years ago, are sponsoring the erection of the plaque which will be set up in a park just east of the high school and will list the names of those students who have seen service in the armed forces.

The plaque will be erected on a concrete base with concrete back and wing supports. Four columns, each standing 16 feet high, will support the back and wings. The plaque will be 60 feet wide and the honor roll list will be inscribed in bronze against a white background. The names will be enclosed behind glass and provisions will be made for illumination at night.

In front of the plaque will be a bronze statue of a soldier, 7 feet high, which will be placed on a stone base so that the head of the soldier will be approximately 14 feet from the ground.

The model of the plaque which was on display at the high school this week was sculptured by Jack dent.

# Band Concerts To Launch Paper Drive

## Programs Scheduled In Suburban Districts Friday

Band concerts on Friday night in Butte business and suburban districts will launch the Mining city's "all-out" waste paper and rag collection drive opening Saturday, Aug. 26 and running through Sunday, Aug. 27.

Arrangements have been made by the Butte high school Silver B's, sponsoring organization for the drive, to have the Montana State Band, under direction of Martin Cesare, tour the community to give musical pep to the campaign for the vitally-needed war materials. Announcement was made from the Musicians union that a band of 20 pieces will start from the union hall at Broadway and Main streets at 6:45 o'clock, giving its first concert at that intersection.

At 7:15 the band is scheduled for arrival in Walkerville and will play in front of the Walkerville fire hall. The musicians leave Walkerville at 7:45 and the next stop will be at the Centerville fire hall at 8 o'clock. Leaving Centerville at 8:30 the band will arrive in Meaderville at 8:45, playing in front of the Meaderville Mercantile Co., until 9:15, when it will leave for the Race Track Fire hall. It will play at the Race Track hall from 9:30 to 10 o'clock when it will leave for Park and Alabama streets, where it will play from 10:15 to 10:45. The

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## **Band Concerts** To Launch **Paper Drive**

(Continued From Page One) final concert will be staged at the intersection of Park and Main streets at 11 o'clock.

In addition to the band program, entertainment will be provided by Margie Kasky, Marjorie Jordan and Fritz Lenz.

Statement by Chairman

Alex Blewett, chairman of the drive committee, said Thursday:

"In arranging this program of band music and entertainment the Silver B's wish to show the people of Silver Bow county their appreciation for the help and co-operation they are receiving in the drive for scrap paper and rags. We will bring the music to you and you can bring the paper and rags to us. We will start collections in the business district Saturday morning at 9 o'clock and at the same hour Sunday morning in the residential areas. Have your papers and rags bundled and on the curbs in front

of your homes early." In addition to contributing to the success of America's armed forces, persons contributing waste paper and rags to the drive, also will be aiding in a community project.

All money derived from the drive will go toward erection of a war memorial honoring former students of Butte high school serving in the armed forces.

### Description of Memorial

The memorial will be erected in the northeast corner of the memorial park, directly across from the high school on Wyoming streeet. In the foreground will be a concrete pedestal seven and one-half feet high, surmounted by a statue of a soldier in battle dress. The statue stands eight and one-half feet high. Surrounding the statue will be a three-section reinforced concrete wall 19 feet high with a total width of 68 feet. Four pylons will be recessed in the concrete in which will be placed white neon lights together with similar lighting surrounding the edges. A concrete apron, some 95 feet in circumference will be in front of the memorial with stone benches spaced six feet apart, allowing those who wish to read the names the opportunity of doing so at their leisure.

At present there are 2,750 names to be placed on the memorial and each name will have an individual metal name plate. Of the 2,750, 54 are gold star names, boys who have paid the supreme sacrifice for their country.

Jack Weaver, son of J. B. Weaver, art instructor at Butte high school, is sculptor and designer of the memorial. He has been working on the memorial and statue for the last five months.

# Recognition Earned By Young Sculptor of Butte

Jack Weaver, who designed and sculptored the model of the plaque to be erected at Butte high school in honor of graduates and former students of the school in the armed forces, was complimented Wednesday by Madame Suzanne Silvercruys, internationally famous sculptress.

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## THE MONTANA STANDARD MARCH 9, 1945

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## THE MONTANA STANDARD MAY 30, 1945

Memorial to Be Finished

In connection with the Memorial day observance, W. P. Donnelly, chairman of the Silver B-Butte high school memorial committee, announced that he had been advised by Oscar Baarson, chairman of the Montana War Production board, that restrictions were being lifted on materials used in erecting memorials. Chairman Donnelly stated this action would permit completion

of the Silver B memorial probably during the summer.

He also announced that the imposing figure of the soldier, eight feet high and weighing one and a half tons, which will be placed in the center of the memorial plaque, has been completed. The figure, modeled by Jack Weaver of Butte, will be installed as soon as the setting is erected.

## THE BUTTE DAILY POST MAY 27, 1946



morial day, May 30, will be highlighted by the annual Memorial day parade, the unveiling of the statue at Soldier's Memorial park on South

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Wyoming and ceremonies of patriotic organizations at their various plots in Mining city cemeteries.

Such was the announcement made Saturday by members of a general committee of patriotic organizations, which is in charge of the ceremonies here.

Jack Duggan, assistant chief of police and a member of Silver Bow post of the American Legion, will be parade marshal.

The parade will form on West Granite street in front of the courthouse at 9 o'clock Thursday morning. The line of march will be east on Granite to Main, south on Main to Broadway, west on Broadway to Washington, south on Washington to Park, east on Park to Wyoming and south on Wyoming to 'the Memorial park just across from Butte high school.

The statue to be unveiled was designed by young Jack Weaver. Butte sculptor, and is the foreground for the memorial plaque honoring former Butte high school students who served in the armed forces during World war II. Complete plans for the unveiling ceremonies will be announced later.

To date the plans call for formation of all colors in a semi-circular fashion at the base of the memorial statue. Contingents from the Army, Navy and Marines will conduct flagraising ceremonies, and a wreath will be placed at the base of the statue. Brief addresses will be given by representatives of each branch of the armed forces, Maj. Robert E. McGraw, representing the Army; Capt. Bert Davis, Jr., the Marines, and former Comdr. Eddie Reeder, representing the Navy.

The opening prayer will be given by Rabbi Howard L. Fineberg. Invocation will be given by the Rev. John A. McLaughlin. Benediction will be offered by the Rev. George B. Gerner, a veteran of four and one-half years service as a chaplain in the European theater of war. Father Gerner, now on terminal leave here, is a major in the Army.

## Soldier Statue Is Unveiled As Butte Pays Tribute to War Dead in Impressive Rites

Mining city Army, Navy and Marine corps officers took the | One of the largest and most lead Thursday morning in paying tribute to Butte's war dead colorful Memorial day parades in all conflicts in which members of the armed forces of this in Butte history, followed by nation have engaged. The speakers, who gave their addresses impressive ceremonies at Solat the Memorial day rites in connection with the unveiling of dier's Memorial park, Thursthe soldier's statue at Soldier's Memorial park just across day featured the Mining city's from Butte high school on South Wyoming street, all asked observance of the national rededication of the assembly to the principles which founded holiday. this nation and for emulation of their services in order that

their sacrifices might not be in vain.

The addresses were given by Maj. Robert E. McGraw, commander of the Montana Army Recruiting cen-ter; Capt. Bert Davis, Jr., com-mander of the Montana Marine Montana Honors corps recruiting office, and Comdr. E. H. Reeder, U. S. N. R., represent-Major McGraw—"It is a honor Soldier Sons ing the Navy. The addresses follow: and a privilege to be asked to participate in the dedication of this memorial to our comrades, who laid

down their lives for the rightous cause of our country. with the Japs in a struggle for Manila, and the 21st Bomber com- and participated in the observance million men and women have been who served in the recent war. discharged from the nations greatest combat force. Over 600,000 remain overseas filling the nation's tant American bases where they They Must Register obligation to the living and the serve in occupation forces.

dead. Memorial day since the beginning of World War II, I can find no better expression of the meaning of the day than the words of Gen. John J. Per-shing, who said: "Those whose memory we revere counted not the cost nor shunned the sacrifice. They were not inspired by passion or hatred. They followed no ambitious prince or ruthless potentate. They were tempted by no lure of gain. They pursued no vague theory or followed after false gods. But with a clear conception of spiritual and moral values, they hearkened only to the call of duty and obeyed only the inspiration of righteousness. It

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### Walter Johnson's Condition Reported Unchanged

WASHINGTON, May 30.-(P)-The condition of Walter Johnson, 58-year-old former pitching star of the Washington Senators, was reported unchanged Thursday at Georgetown hospital.

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(By Associated Press) Montana paused Thursday in the though a cold wind swept the asuncertain rush of postwar peace to semblage. honor her soldier sons who died in

service during World War II, along the 10th Army troops battling for Okinawa, 38th division men closed in the crowds that witnessed the Memorial park, where a statue dedceremonies throughout the state icated to Butte high school students

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Two returned war heroes were to receive medals in Helena. They are Lt. Jack Rummel, winner of the distinguished flying cross, and Lt. Chester Coleman, who gets the air medal. John W. Bonner, former Army colonel, was speaker.

Bozeman planned a program and parade, with the Rev. Donald Skinner of the Episcopal church as speaker.

Livingston scheduled a decoration ceremonial, with Ben Berg, Jr., returned serviceman, as speaker.

Chaplain G. M. Roush of Missoula was to deliver the principal address at Kalispell, where services were held. Rites also were planned at the old soldiers' home near Columbia Falls.

Yellowstone county veterans or-ganizations sponsored programs at Billings, Broadview, Huntley Project and at Laurel, Rex Hibbs, World War II veteran, was to be the main speaker in Billings, after a morning parade.

Johnson, suffering from a brain A parade at Red Lodge high-tumor, has been unconscious since lighted Carbon county's celebration. (Continued on Page Eight)

Veterans of three wars, the Spanish-American, World War I and World War II, joined forces to pay reverent tribute to honored dead of the community, their "buddies" in service of their county during conflicts waged that this nation might live.

Weather conditions were almost ideal in contrast to the rain and cold of the last several days. Bright sunshine prevailed during the parade and services at the park al-

Thousands lined the streets as the long parade wended its way through

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## Draft Officials Warn

HELENA, May 30 .- (AP)-Montana selective service officials Thursday though they are currently draftexempt.

Youths of that age will be regarded as delinquents if they do not register as required, officials added. Under present regulations, boys under 20 are not being conscripted,

## 329 Traffic Deaths /

(By the Associated Press)

The National Safety counc 329 persons would be killed it extended Memorial day week e

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## THE BUTTE DAILY POST JULY 12, 1946

## **Mrs. Weaver Sees Butte Statue** Made by Grandson

Mrs. Bruce Weaver, 76, of Anaconda was in Butte Friday to see for the first time the statue created by her grandson, Jack Weaver, at Memorial park near the high school.

Mrs. Weaver, a semi-invalid who has been a patient at St. Ann hospital in Anaconda, was unable to be present when the statue was unveiled Memorial day. Friends brought brought her to Butte Friday to inspect the monument.

The pioneer Anaconda woman, a

"very pleased" with her grandson's work and thought "it was a fine job."

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native of Alder gulch, said she was Weaver, Butte high school art teacher, is assisting him.

"Colossal" use of water by the village inn at Wing, England, caused Young Weaver is now in Chicago belief that the beer was being doing statuary for the new million- watered but it was found that the

## Meet the World's **Fussiest Housekeeper!**

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### THE MONTANA STANDARD MAY 18, 1947



**WORLD WAR II MEMORIAL PLAQUE**—The Butte high school World War II memorial plaque, shown above, which will be dedicated on Sunday afternoon, May 25, is said by visitors to the Mining city to be one of the finest in the nation. The plaque, located in Soldiers' Memorial park. just across from Butte high school on South Wyoming, will pay honor to 3,875 students and former students of Butte high school who served in the last world conflict. Gold stars,

preceding the names of 125 such students, men and women, will signify those who gave their lives in service of their country. The large re-enforced concrete statue of a soldier in front of the plaque, was done by Jack Weaver, a former Butte high school student. Concrete benches, surrounded by attractive flower gardens, provide a spot of beauty for the foreground to the plaque proper which will be illuminated at night by neon lights.





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### Central High School First-Aid Teams to Compete on Miners Union Day Financial Drive Anaconda Company to Be Closed Today

**Resumes Event** After War Lapse

First-aid contests, which proved highly popular for many years with the miners on the Butte hill and other employes of the Anaconda Copper Mining company, are to be resumed following a lapse of five years as a result of the war, it was announced Saturday by John L. Boardman, chairman of the Burte Anaconda compertion of the state of the scheduled officially to close on Sunday, returns of the who served in the armed forces in last week indicated that the campaign would be successful. The drive is in its last phase, the pany.

Success Is Forecast for Plan to Erect

**Soldiers** Plaque Dedication Set for May 25 War II Memorial

Honors Former **Butte High Students** 

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### THE MONTANA STANDARD MAY 22, 1947

### The Butte High School War Memorial Dedication

One of the proudest days in Butte's long and colorful history will be marked Sunday when its citizens gather at the newly-constructed Butte high school World War II Memorial for dedication ceremonies. In solemn and impressive observance, the Mining city will pay tribute to the 3,875 students and former students of Butte high school who served their country in the late war.

Composed of indestructible materials, with the names of the men and women of Butte high who served etched in copper plate, the memorial plaque will stand as an inspiration and source of pride and courage to untold generations of future young people of Butte.

The gold stars preceding the names of 125 of the students who gave their lives in the service of their country will stand as a reminder that the price of the freedom, justice and liberty often is very dear.

The impressive structure, which faces the main entrance of Butte high school and Naranche Memorial stadium, should stand, as well, as a memorial to the fine traditions of a fine institution. Its design, construction and the campaign for its completion were all conceived and carried out by former students of Butte high school, sponsored by the Silver B's, an organization of former Butte high athletes 25 years removed from their school days. This organization has displayed a spirit and a determination which other similar organizations in Butte might well copy. Deserving special mention is the memorial plaque committee of the Silver B's headed by W. P. Donnelly and composed of Stanley Griffiths, Roy Richards, John Curtis, George Curtis, Dr. R. R. Schroeder and Herb Mills.

The Butte high school war memorial dedication rites Sunday will be a memorable occasion. The men and women whose names it bears deserve a salute from their fellow citizens of the Mining city.

## THE MONTANA STANDARD MAY 23, 1947

## Soldiers' Plaque Dedication Details Arranged

## Col. S. H. Mitchell to Be Speaker at Ceremony Here

An address by Col. S. H. Mitchell, state selective service director, and placing of wreaths on the statue of Butte's honored soldiers will feature dedication ceremonies for Soldiers' Memorial park and plaque Sunday afternoon.

Arrangements for the dedication program, which will climax the World War II memorial efforts of the Butte high school Silver B organization, were announced Thursday by W. P. Donnelly, chairman of the committee in charge of the plaque.

The ceremonies will be preceded at 12:45 o'clock Sunday afternoon by arranging chairs for the band members and roping off Wyoming street in front of the plaque. An Army guard will be mounted and the flag will be raised at 1 o'clock.

From 1:30 to 2 o'clock, the Butte high school band will present a concert under direction of H. J. Schiesser, with members of the twirling corps assisting under the direction of Mrs. Schiesser.

The program proper will open at 2 o'clock with the invocation by the Rev. Thomas Ashworth and prayers

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## Dedication Rites Are Arranged

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by the Rev. Father F. L. Harrington and Rabbi Howard L. Fineberg. Col. Mitchell's address is scheduled for 2:15 o'clock. Immediately after his speech and throughout the remainder of the program, soldiers will be stationed at the memorial as an honor guard and will walk posts there, with the guard being changed every half-hour. A closing number by the Butte high school band is scheduled for 2:45 o'clock.

The dedication ceremonies will continue at 3 o'clock with the placing of a wreath at the Soldier's statue by the Army Induction center force and a brief talk by Col. G. L. Smith, induction center commandant.

At 3:15 o'clock, services will be conducted by the Naval Reserve unit when a wreath will be placed at the statue and Lt. Comdr. C. J. Lyden will deliver a brief talk. Services by the Marine corps at 3:30 o'clock will include the placing of a wreath and a brief talk by Capt. Bert Davis, Marine corps station commandant.

Services will be held at 3:45 o'clock by the American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars, United Spanish War Veterans and Navy Mothers. Wreaths will be placed at the statue by each group and the commander of each organization will talk briefly.

At 4:15 o'clock, a concert will be provided by a band donated by the Butte Musicians union. Taps, lowering of the flag by the Army guard and dismounting of the honor guard are scheduled for 6 o'clock. Highlighting the ceremony will be the appearance of the American Legion drum and bugle corps which will have a mass blowing of "Taps." A concert is scheduled again at 7 o'clock.

Chairman Donnelly urged all participants to meet at the Butte high school stadium at least 15 minutes before their group is to appear on the dedication program.

## THE BUTTE DAILY POST MAY 24, 1947

## Memorial Plaque Dedication Set for Sunday

A memorial statue to World War In II veterans, designed and executed a by Jack Weaver, prominent young Mining city artist, and an honor roll of former Butte high school students who served in the recent conflict, will be dedicated at afternoon-long ceremonies to be held Sunday. Army, Navy and Marine corps personnel, veterans' organizations, and city and business organizations and per groupe, will participate in the

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Col, S. H. Mitchell, state director of selective service, will deliver the dedicatory address. His address is scheduled for 2:15 o'clock.

Full Army participation in the dedication rites was announced by Lt. Col. Gayle L. Smith, commanding officer of the Montana Recruiting service. A guard of honor for the ceremony and plaque will be outfitted in white leggings, belts and helmets. An Army sound system will be used to amplify the voices of the speakers. The honor guard will be mounted at 1 o'clock.

Through the co-operation of the commanding officer of the Great Falls Army Air base, the local Army center has secured two aircraft which will fly over the plaque from 2:15 to 2:30 o'clock, weather permitting. At 5 o'clock the Army guard of honor will lower the flag in front of the plaque with appropriate ceremony.

Included on the dedication ceremony program will be a concert by the Butte high school band and performance by the twirlers, directed by Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Schiesser. The program will include "La Reine de Saba" (Gounod); concert march, "The World Is Watting for the Sunrise" (Elford), with drum majorettes assisting; "Light Cavahry Overture" (F. von Suppe); "Cyrus the Great" (King); "Fantasy in Fugue" (Callilet); "Officer of the Day"; four-part band and twirling specialty, (a) "I Love a Parade," (b) "The Thunderer," (c) "Festal Day," (d) "Strike Up the Band"; closing I number, "Stars and Stripes Forever."

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## The Montana Standard May 25, 1947

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Butte will pay tribute to its heroes helmets. An Army sound system will of World War II-and especially to the 125 former Butte high school students who died in battle-when dedication ceremonies are held Sunday afternoon for the Soldiers statue and memorial plaque in the park opposite the high school.

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d A feature of the dedication ceremony will be the execution of a S miniature cemetery, containing 125 h crosses for the 125 former Butte high school students who died in World War II. Complete with tiny white church and rich, green lawn, the miniature cemetery is especially n impressive at night when lights play on the scene. n

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## Visitors Praise Soldiers' Memorial Park Near High School as 'Spot of Beauty'

"An outstanding spot of beauty," | mid-summer heat or to just take is the manner in which a tourist Colorado described Butte's from Soldier Memorial park, located on South Wyoming street, just across from Butte high school.

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That comment, made during the last week, is not new to the men who are responsible for the upkeep of the park, first created as a WPA project along about 1937 and now maintained by School District No. 1.

For, the four and one-half acres making up the park, including the two soldiers' monuments, one dedicated to the veterans of World War I, the other recently dedicated by the Butte high school Silver B's to veterans of World War II, is one of Butte's central points of interest for visiting tourists.

In fact, on some days more tourists take advantage of the shade and restful atmosphere of the park than Mining residents, although scores of local men and women use the park facilities each afternoon and evening to secure respite from

"five" after a day's work. Children of the area, and from other parts of town also find the park a splendid place in which to cavort on evenlycut grass and beneath spreading shade trees.

Park attendants, employed by the school board, take pride in their responsibilities, and in the upkeep of not only the park proper but the fine lawn and flower gardens surrounding the high school, which adds another acre to the beautification program.

There's one man, who takes special pride in the project, Eugene Drew, supervisor, who directs activities of the seven-man crew employed in and around the high school.

It's also Drew's duty to see that the splendid underground sprinkling system used to water the park area is in top shape at all times. The batteries of sprinklers insure adequate moisture for the lawns and flowers at all times.

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## THE MONTANA STANDARD DECEMBER 28, 1947



## THE MONTANA STANDARD OCTOBER 17, 1982



THE SOLDIERS MEMORIAL PARK has been the site of numerous veterans-related ceremonies, such as the 1980 Veterans' Day ceremonies pictured here. The plaques in the background have been removed

and restored, and will be returned to the veterans or their nearest relative. Butte artist John Mazzola currently is remodeling the statue of the soldier, foreground. (Staff photo)

## Veterans' plaques returned

Name plates from the Soldiers Memorial Park on South Wyoming Street, a monument for Butte High School veterans of World War II, will be returned beginning Tuesday to the veterans or their nearest relatives at the Montana Veterans Affairs Office, Executive Village, 515 E. Front St.

The copper plaques were removed because of vandalism at the monument. The monument is being renovated under the the direction of John Mazzola, a Butte artist and World War II veteran.

The United Veterans Council recently was appointed legal trustee and dispenser of the name plates by Judge Arnold Olsen.

Those who may pick up the plaques, listed in order of eligibility, are: 1. The veteran; 2. The veteran's husband or wife; 3. The veteran's oldest child; 4. The veteran parents; or 5. The veteran's closest blood relative.

Many of the those listed are presumed to be scattered throughout the country.

There originally were 3,170 plaques at the memorial, representing veterans from the ranks of private to general and seaman to admiral, 88 of whom were listed killed in action.

The memorial, presented by Butte High's Silver B's football team alumni, was dedicated May 25, 1947, in a ceremony that included members of the armed forces, veteran and fraternal groups. The principal speaker was Col. S. H. Mitchell, later adjutant general of Montana.

The bronze statue of a G.I. in front of the rows of plaques was designed by artist Jack Weaver, son of former Butte High art department chairman John "Pop" Weaver.

In 1951, \$2,600 was raised by the American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Disabled Veterans and the Butte school district to remodel the statue. Mazzola's efforts are the second renovation.

The United Veterans Council said donations to defray the cost of removal, cutting and restoring the plaques will be appreciated.

