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Dedication

City of Bangor World War II Memorial Book of Honor



*Bangor Remembers Her Sons,
One Hundred and Ten in Number,
Who Died for Victory 1941-1945*

Municipal Auditorium, 8:00 PM, 30 May 1947

Planned by direction of the City Council

PROGRAM

7:30-8:00 PM—Preliminary concert by the Bangor Band, Adelbert Wells Sprague, A. M., Conductor. See page 7 for music.

The Memorial Exercises

Beginning at 8:00 PM

The exercises proceed without announcement

The Star Spangled Banner—*Upon signal by the conductor of the band the audience rises, and, accompanied by the band, sings the last verse (see enclosed page) of "The Star Spangled Banner".*

The audience remains standing.

Invocation—by the Rev. Leonard A. LeClair, Lt. Col. U. S. Army Chaplain Corps, Catholic Chaplain at U. S. Veterans Administration Center, Togus, Maine.

The audience is seated.

Announcement of the Occasion—by City Manager Horace S. Estey.

Unveiling of the Book of Honor—by Vice-Admiral Carleton F. Bryant, USN (Ret.) of Searsport, Maine. *The Book of Honor lies on top of the special case which will house it.*

Presentation of the Book of Honor to the City—by City Manager Horace S. Estey.

Acceptance of the Book of Honor on behalf of the City—by Dr. Henry C. Knowlton, Chairman of the City Council.

Address—by U. S. Senator Owen Brewster.

Readings from the Book of Honor—by Rabbi Moses Zucker of Bangor—"A Goal" by the President of the United States, Franklin Delano Roosevelt, Broadcast to the Nation, 9 December 1941, and "A Challenge" by the Prime Minister of the United Kingdom, Winston Churchill, 13 May 1940.

Address—by Governor Horace Hildreth

Readings from the Book of Honor—by the Rev. Richard G. Sechrist of Bangor, former U. S. Army Chaplain—"A Dedication" by the President of the United States, Abraham Lincoln, of the military cemetery at Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, 19 November 1863, and "A Lesson", being an inscription in the Memorial Church, Harvard University, Cambridge Massachusetts.

The audience rises and remains standing.

Reading of the 110 names from the Book of Honor—by the Rev. Lewis M. Brehaut of Bangor, former U. S. Navy Chaplain.

Taps—echoed by unseen trumpeters.

The audience is seated.

The Chairman of the City Council places the Book of Honor in the custody of the Bangor Public Library.

The Librarian of the Bangor Public Library, L. Felix Ranlett, receives the Book of Honor.

Dedication Address—by the Rev. Frederick M. Meek, D. D., minister of the Old South Church in Boston, Boston, Massachusetts.

America—Upon signal by the conductor of the band the audience rises and, accompanied by the band, sings the first verse (see enclosed page of) "America."

The audience remains standing.

Benediction—by the Rev. Dr. Frederick M. Meek.

The audience disperses at will.

Relatives of the dead who have been invited to receive the City's gift of duplicates of pages from the Book of Honor proceed to the designated tables at the right front of the Auditorium to receive the pages. The women's auxiliaries of the GAR and SUV will present bouquets of flowers.

Concluding concert by the Bangor Band.

THE ONE HUNDRED AND TEN BANGOR MEN
WHO DIED FOR VICTORY

Leonard Victor Ashworth, Jr.	Dennis T. Cullinan, Jr.
J. Edgar AuCoin	Ralph Linley Cunningham, Jr.
Donald Holman Ayer	John Francis Curran
Joseph J. Babbain, Jr.	Bernard J. Cyr
Donald Llewellyn Barker	Harry V. Doggett, Jr.
Charles Albert Bean	Claire Frederick Dunphey
Bernard Joseph Bertels, Jr.	Alonzo Dyer
Philip James Black	Paul H. Eames, Jr.
Edgar Vincent Blake	Harold G. Eaton
Lawrence R. Blethen	James Alton Faulkingham
Wilber Elmore Bradt	Joseph Henry Ferguson
Harold Breen	Charles Albert Fessenden
John N. Budway	Ferd Charles Flagg
William G. Burgess, Jr.	Charles Augustin Flanagan
Ernest A. Burke	James Edward Flood, Jr.
Kenneth R. Burns	Donald Herbert Fogg
James Daniel Cassidy, Jr.	John R. Follett
Theodore J. Chase	Harrison William Frye
Edward Francis Chisholm	Arthur Duncan Gallupe
Ralph Louis Clapp	Rodney J. Gerrish
John Leslie Coffin, Jr.	Howard William Getchell
Horace Nathan Comstock	Lawrence M. Giles
Merle Lawrence Condon	Thomas R. Graffam
John Francis Corey	Robert P. Grant
Lauren L. CoWallis	Carl Owen Hackett
Walter L. Crawford, Sr.	Willis Ellwood Hendrickson

Edward R. Hopkins
Benjamin Howe, Jr.
William H. Ivey
Carl Joseph Jansson
Richard Brooks Jones
Frederick Paul Keezer
Austin Rodney Keith
Arnold R. Kelley
John Coney Kelley
Donald Murray Kilpatrick, Jr.
Joseph Herbert Kobritz
Harvey B. Lovett
Harry Lester MacDonald
Miles B. MacDougal, Jr.
Wallace Henry McGlauflin
James Stewart MacKaye
Donald Aldrich McKinnon
Guy Marsh, Jr.
Shelley Doyle Montgomery
Charles W. Morrill
Frederic Coleman Murphy
Raymond Horace Noye
Vaughan Reginald Olson
W. Carleton Orr
Fields Seeley Pendleton III
Linwood W. Perkins
Carl F. Peterson, Jr.
George Pomeroy
Arnold Perry Price

Eugene John Ranks
Edwin D. Rattray
Kenneth P. Reynolds
John Allen Richard
Lloyd Kenneth Robinson
Waldo E. Robinson, Jr.
George Henry Rogers
Gerald Constantine Ryder
Glenn St. Germain
Joseph R. Sarnoski
Ralph A. Scherer
Harold Arthur Slager
Charles Edward Small
Edward G. Smith
James A. Snodgrass
Carl S. Spragg
Arthur F. Stimpson
Garland Louis Strang
Bernard Striar
Gerald Decker Strout
Charles John Taylor
W. Stuart Treworgy
Max E. Walls
George Ellis Watson
John A. Willette
Eugene Vincent Williams
Nelson Edwards Wilson
Aubrey Francis Withee
Renfrew A. Yerxa

OCCUPANTS OF THE PLATFORM FOR THE DEDICATION

Lafayette Banks, Commander, Daniel Chaplin Camp No. 3, Sons of Union Veterans
Rev. Lewis M. Brehaut, former U. S. Navy Chaplain
U. S. Senator Owen Brewster
Vice-Admiral Carleton F. Bryant, USN (Ret.)
George Davis Carlisle, Member, Bangor City Council
Horace S. Estey, City Manager
U. S. Representative Frank Fellows
David W. Fuller, Member, Bangor City Council
Nathan E. Goodridge, Commander, William McKinley Camp No. 17, United Spanish Veterans
Governor Horace Hildreth
A chair is reserved for Melvin Jellison of Clifton, only surviving member of B. H. Beal Post No. 12, Grand Army of the Republic and one of two G. A. R. survivors of Maine
Harold E. Kelleher, Member, Bangor City Council
Dr. Henry C. Knowlton, Chairman, Bangor City Council
Lt. Col. Rev. Leonard A. LeClair, Catholic Chaplain at U. S. Veterans Administration, Togus.
Stanley J. Leen, Jr., Member, Bangor City Council
Capt. Kenneth S. Ludden, Commander, Penobscot Valley Chapter, Reserve Officers Association of the United States.
Rev. Frederick M. Meek, D. D., minister of the Old South Church in Boston
Dr. Joseph G. Ornstein, Senior Vice Commander, Bangor Post No. 507, Jewish War Veterans of the U. S.
L. Felix Ranlett, Librarian, Bangor Public Library
Morris Rubin, Commander, James W. Williams Post No. 12, American Legion
Boutelle Savage, Member, Bangor City Council
Rev. Richard G. Sechrist, former U. S. Army Chaplain
Charles E. Sheehan, Member, Bangor City Council
John E. Tucker, Commander, Norman N. Dow Post 1761, Veterans of Foreign Wars
G. Peirce Webber, Member, Bangor City Council
James F. White, Member, Bangor City Council
Harold W. Worthen, Member, Governor's Council
Rabbi Moses Zucker of Bangor

SEATING

All seats are free.

Invited relatives and friends of the World War II dead, who are furnished with white tickets, will occupy the front, center section of the Auditorium, nearly half of the main floor. They should enter before 8 PM. *Though the tickets are numbered they admit anywhere in the section rather than to specific chairs.*

The speakers and platform guests will assemble at the left rear of the Auditorium at 7:55 PM and proceed to the platform before 8:00.

Organized groups from patriotic organizations will occupy a section just behind the section for relatives. They should march in before 7:50 PM.

Special guests of participants, who are furnished with red tickets, will occupy seats in the left front of the gallery.

All other seats are open to the public without ticket.

RADIO

The entire proceedings are being broadcast by WLBZ.

USHERS

The ushers are members of the Bangor Police, many of them veterans of World War II.

MUSIC PROGRAM

by the Bangor Band

ADELBERT WELLS SPRAGUE, *Conductor*

Before the Ceremonial:

March, Semper Fidelis.....	<i>Sousa</i>
Military Overture, Tambour du Garde.....	<i>Tittl</i>
March, Cruiser Harvard.....	<i>Strube</i>
(Introducing The Battle Hymn of the Republic)	
American Fantasia.....	<i>Hosmer</i>
(On Patriotic Airs)	
March, General Southard.....	<i>Sprague</i>
First Time	

After the Ceremonial:

March, The Stars and Stripes Forever.....	<i>Sousa</i>
Battle Cry and Marching through Georgia.....	<i>Mackie-Beyer</i>
Hike	<i>Bagley</i>
(Introducing Tramp! Tramp! Tramp! and When Johnnie Comes Marching Home).....	
March, National Emblem.....	<i>Bagley</i>

PATRIOTIC ORGANIZATIONS

Various patriotic organizations and their auxiliaries who for years have held memorial services on the evening of this day, today, as a part of their regular Memorial Day service, join in this service of all Bangor citizens. They, in turn, are joined today by two additional patriotic organizations. All are represented on the platform by designated representatives in a list printed on page 6 of this program.

THE BOOK OF HONOR

Beginning at 9:00 AM, May 31, the Book of Honor, in its special case, flag guarded, will be on perpetual display in the foyer of the Bangor Public Library, there to remain until other provision may be made. A page of the Book will be turned each day, God willing, forever.

The title page of the Book reads "Bangor Remembers Her Sons Who Died for Victory, 1941-1945". Following pages which carry the speeches read during tonight's program, are 101 separate pages each one carrying the photograph and brief biography of a Bangor man who died for victory. Then follows a page carrying the names of nine Bangor men who died but of whom photographs were not available to the City in time for inclusion in the Book. Lastly comes a colophon page telling how and by whom the Book was made. The biographical pages are arranged in the order in which the men died.

The photographs are of uniform size, enlarged or reduced from originals lent by relatives. All biographies are of identical length—fifty words—whatever the rank or grade of the man. Each biography gives the man's military record, his decorations, his schools, his civil occupation, and something of his personal interests, his serial or file number, his dates of birth and death, his rank, grade, or rating and his unit at death.

The Book is entirely engrossed and illuminated by hand. It is bound by hand in the finest leather, gold tooled, and with the seal of the City and the insignia of the services on its cover. There is no other copy.

The colophon page, which tells of the making of the Book, reads as follows: Commissioned October 1944, by the City Council of the City of Bangor, Maine, Henry C. Knowlton, Chairman with the advice of Horace S. Estey City Manager. Compiled by the Librarian and Staff of the Bangor Public Library. Written by L. Felix Ranlett, Librarian. Engrossed by Irving Bookstein, Boston, Massachusetts. Bound by Frederick W. Young, Harcourt Bindery, Boston, Massachusetts. Photographic copying by Preston M. Williams, Bangor and Cooper Studio of Photography, Brookline, Massachusetts. Finished March 1947.

A photographic reproduction of the Book, full size, but less sumptuously illuminated and bound, is being made and will later be available at the Bangor Public Library for public handling. The reproductions of pages being presented by the City to designated relatives are made photographically and illuminated by hand.