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## COMMUNITY WAR MEMORIALS FOR PHYSICAL FITNESS

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## ALL STATES FAVOR LIVING MEMORIALS

Columbus, Ohio, May 29---Whole hearted endorsement of "living" memorials for the service men and women of World War II has been received from every state in the United States according to George M. Trautman, Chairman of the American Commission for Living War Memorials.

"Over 1500 communities have signified their intention of building memorials that will increase the physical fitness of America", Chairman Trautman states. "In addition, many inquiries have been received from Canada, New Zealand, Cuba, Hawaii, Australia, Scotland, England, North Wales, and the Virgin Islands".

The Commission for Living War Memorials was created less than a year ago as a direct result of slight physical deficiencies of a large per centage of the men called up by draft boards all over the country. The purpose of the Commission is to encourage memorials that will fit into community life and at the same time contribute to the physical welfare of this and future generations.

At Bartlett, Texas, this town of 2,000 is planning a gymnasium-community center as a war memorial. Appleton, Wisconsin is well on its way toward a similar memorial, a community building that will seat approximately