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UM PRESIDENT TO ASSIST IN DEDICATION AT HIGH SCHOOL ALMA MATER

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UM President Robert Pantzer will return to his high school alma mater on Tuesday, December 5, as Park Senior High of Livingston holds dedication exercises for its recently completed facilities on McLeod Island.

President Pantzer, a member of the high school's graduating class of 1933 and former lawyer in Livingston, will deliver the main dedication address during the ceremonies which will begin at 8:00 p.m. in the senior high gymnasium.

The new building, constructed at a cost of approximately \$1,437,000, was occupied by students of grades ten, eleven and twelve on last September 7, 16 months since construction was initiated by the Haggerty-Messmer firm of Bozeman.

Current enrollment in the high school is 541. The staff includes 27 teachers and administrators under the direction of Principal Orley Short. The initial Park County High School opened in 1900 with 60 students and three staff personnel including Principal O.M. Harvey. The original high school building was replaced with new facilities in 1905 which required additions in 1918 and 1939.

Paving the way for construction of the present facilities was passage of a bond issue for \$40,000 in 1959 for purchase of the McLeod Island site. Then followed passage of a bond issue in 1964 to cover building costs and architects' fees, and unification of the local school districts in 1965.

Also taking part in the dedication ceremonies will be Park Senior High students, local and county school officials, contracting firm officials and Grabow and Berg architects.