

Ready to Register Red Cross Drive Returns



Workmen are shown completing the erection of a giant thermometer and poster on the Federal street side of the old courthouse, signaling the opening of Camden county's drive for \$100,000 for the American Red Cross war fund.

THERMOMETER AIDS RED CROSS DRIVE

Progress of Campaign Will Be Recorded on 'Instrument' Daily

Erection of a giant thermometer and poster on the Federal street side of the old courthouse building urging all residents of Camden county to "give" signalized the opening yesterday in Camden county of the Red Cross war fund drive for \$100,000. The campaign closes Jan. 1.

The thermometer, which will be used to keep a daily record of contributions received, was constructed at the Sears, Roebuck store through the co-operation of Leonard M. Wolper, who is chairman of the retail merchants' division of the campaign. Arthur E. Armitage is general drive chairman.

The poster and thermometer were designed by Julian C. Gallagher with the aid of Ralph Smith, Paul Milano, and George Kohler, store employees. At the base are the words: "American Red Cross War Relief Fund. Not for England, China or Belgium, but for America."

Urge Generous Donations

Urging all residents of Camden county to donate as generously as possible to the current campaign, Dr. Leon N. Neulen, chairman of the Camden county chapter, American Red Cross, drew a comparison between the present drive and one conducted in 1917 during the first World War.

As a result of the 1917 campaign, which called for \$150,000, residents of Camden county "dug down" and oversubscribed the quota by \$75,000, Dr. Neulen said.

"The emergency now," said Dr. Neulen, "is far greater than it was in 1917, because we face the greatest crises in this nation's history. There is no doubt in my mind that Camden county will go over the top in the present war fund campaign."

Part of Nationwide Drive

Camden county's campaign is part of a nation-wide drive by the Red Cross to raise \$50,000,000 for civilian aid in all emergencies and for services to the armed forces of the United States.

Aiding Armitage in his duties are Arthur C. Dorrance, president of the Campbell Soup Company; and George Throckmorton, vice president of the RCA Manufacturing Company.

Even before the campaign opened last week, one Broadway merchant made a voluntary contribution of \$50 to the Red Cross, Miss Lola E. Williams, executive secretary of the Camden county chapter announced.

F. Morse Archer, president of the First Camden National Bank and Trust Company, is chairman of the special gifts committee of the campaign. Harry P. Pelouze is chairman of the 23 Red Cross branches which will participate in the county-wide campaign. Chairmen and representatives of the branches met this week with Pelouze in the Red Cross headquarters, on the second floor of the old courthouse building, Broadway and Federal street, and pledged their full co-operation in the campaign.

DUTCH, AUSTRALIANS TAKE OVER IN TIMOR

Portugal Brought into War Sphere by Occupation of Colony

London, Dec. 18 (UP)—Portugal was brought directly into the sphere of war operations today by an official announcement Australian and Dutch troops had landed in Portuguese Timor to thwart Japanese plans for seizing that strategic East Indies colony.

[The Timor situation was confused by a Portuguese dispatch quoting the British ambassador

Bomb School Here Will Aid Defense

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proximity to the city of Philadelphia."

Garage Survey Made

Brunner and Harper disclosed they are taking an inventory of all public garages in the city having tow trucks and other equipment that may be used in the event of a bombing.

The mayor also announced Commissioner E. George Aaron has been named chairman of the defense council's speakers' bureau. Brunner said the council is receiving requests daily for speakers to address civic, fraternal and neighborhood groups who want to know more about the progress of the city's defense effort.

Freeholder Oscar Moore, director of personnel, announced yesterday he had instructed heads of all county departments and bureaus to order the county's 800 employees to produce birth certificates to deter-

each day, except Saturdays, Sundays and legal holidays.

War defense has stimulated employment in Camden, Augustus E. Lilley, manager of the Camden office of the State Employment service, reported yesterday.

Guards Wanted

Lilley said he has received a large number of requests from industrial plants for men to be employed as guards about the plants. In these jobs, Lilley said, veterans are given the preference. The local office, he said, is working in co-operation with employment committees of South Jersey posts of the American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars.

William C. Schriver, director of volunteer instruction for the defense council, reported to Mayor Brunner that the council headquarters in the mayor's office has received a number of calls from persons asking what should be done with dogs and cats in the event of blackouts or air raids.

Schriver said all persons asking that information are being told to take all animals into their homes