URGENT CALLS SENT OUT BY RED CROSS

More Men and Women Needed to Aid in Combating Spanish Influenza.

VOLUNTEERING SLOW

An urgent call for both men and women to aid in combating Spanish influenza in the city and county was sent out last night by Edward A. Woods, chairman of the special committee on influenza of the Pittsburgh Chapter, American Red Cross. The local Red Cross chapter cooperated with other agencies, including an aggressive campaign against the disease, but a haphazard manner because of the slowness of workers in volunteering to fight the disease, Mr. Woods said last night.

The Pittsburgh Chapter of the Red Cross needs all the men and women volunteers it can get to combat Spanish influenza. We need married nurses, nurses and practical nurses who can help certain hours daily. If there is any person who can help a few hours daily, we will be happy to receive their aid. However, the Red Cross needs more than any other person who can assist home nurses, people who wish to help the sick families. Training is not absolutely necessary. Men and women without training who are willing to help anywhere are needed.

Urgent Need for Women.

Mr. Woods requests persons willing to help the overtaxed nurses, doctors and hospital workers to enroll with the Pittsburgh Chapter of the Red Cross in the Chamber of Commerce building.

Miss Katherine Dempster, superintendent of the nursing service of the Red Cross, also emphasized the great need for men who are willing to go to private homes and help sick families fight the disease. Miss Dempster pointed out, by an example of the late need for workers in private residences, the case where four members of a family near Mr. Woods were down with influenza and the fifth member was ill with pneumonia.

Seven hundred cases have been reported to date in Allegheny, according to information received by the