

RED CROSS TO OPEN FOURTEEN CITY STATIONS

**Auxiliary Quarters to Speed
Up Care of Stricken Are
Decided Upon**

PLAN WILL SAVE TIME

**Civic and Industrial Organi-
zations and Board of
Health Back Move**

What promises to be an effective measure in the fight against influenza was started yesterday afternoon at a meeting in the Palace Hotel, when President Arthur H. Barendt of the Board of Health met with officials of the Red Cross and civic and industrial organizations and decided to go out and meet the influenza where it is. The city will be divided into fourteen districts, in the center of each of which will be an auxiliary Red Cross station. This will be completely equipped with doctors, graduates and trained nurses, caretakers, Red Cross motor girls, drivers, motor cars, stretcher bearers, telephone operators—in short, every person and every detail of equipment required in the most desperate of cases will be provided.

TO PHONE STATION

The public will be advised, when sickness manifests itself in the family, to telephone at once to the station in that particular district.

A graduate nurse will be dispatched at once to give the preliminary treatment and report back to the station whether the case is serious enough to demand a physician at once, or whether it is susceptible of adequate treatment at the hands of the nurse. After her ministrations have been completed, if the case requires it, a caretaker or a trained nurse will be sent to take her place and reports will be made back to the central station, just as they are in a hospital where the nurse keeps the history of the case for the physician's ready reference.

"In this way," says Barendt, "we will come into ultimate and immediate contact with each case. Assistance will be at hand and within easy access to the patient."

WILL SAVE TIME

"Time will be saved in reaching the bedside of the more serious cases, while the lighter ones will be identified as such and will not consume too much of the priceless time of the graduate nurses and the doctors, who are, overwhelmed with work under the present indirect manner of serving the stricken."

A meeting was held last night at the City Board of Health headquarters to work out the details. These will include the location of the stations and the personnel of the doctors, nurses and assistants who will be detailed at the various Red Cross centers. As soon as they have been decided upon the public will be in-