Matthew de Heus Heads Fourth War Loan for City and County

Individual Campaign to Launch Drive

An intensive drive for patriotic assistance in the Fourth War Loan campaign opened today, it was announced yesterday. Former Mayor Coalter Baldaf, representative of the County and State War Finance Committee, opened the drive in the Town Hall here this morning.

"It is our business, our obligation, our duty, to do all we can for this country in this war," he said. "The President has asked us to work together in this great struggle. We are fighting for our country and our civilization. We are fighting for democracy and freedom. We must do our part to win this war."

The drive will continue until Wednesday, with a series of meetings and rallies planned throughout the county. The goal is to raise $100,000 in the next few weeks.

Albany to Get 'Emergency Soft Coal'

Emergency shipments of soft coal were ordered to Albany and other Capital District cities today to meet an acute fuel shortage in the area.

This is the first time since the war that emergency coal has been ordered to the city, and officials expect the supply to last several months.

"We have had a number of requests from different parts of the city for coal," said an official. "The situation is urgent, and we have no choice but to meet it."

S.G. Cranell, Ex-Fireman, Dies at 72

- Rensselaer

Stephen G. Cranell, 72, one of the first firemen in the city, died in a local hospital today. He was a popular figure in the community and a well-liked member of the fire department.

Mr. Cranell, who resided on Water Street, was a native of Albany and had been a resident of the city for many years.

"He was a true friend to all who knew him," said an official of the fire department. "He will be missed by many."