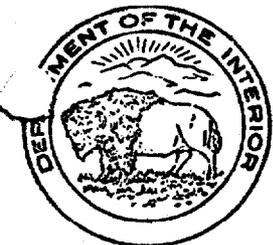


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48 STATES NOW FIGHTING RATS

Every state in the United States is now participating in the National Urban Rat Control Campaign, Secretary of the Interior J. A. Krug announced. A telegram received today from Nevada brought the number to 48.

Six states are cooperating 100 per cent in rat control, with all cities of 10,000 or more population conducting programs. They are Louisiana, Alabama, Utah, Delaware, North Dakota, and Nevada.

A total of 218 cities are now active in the Campaign, with every mail bringing additional responses. Of this number, 32 cities have been designated as demonstration centers for their surrounding areas.

"This nationwide response," stated Hamilton M. Warren, Chairman of the National Committee for Rat Control and vice-president of the National Carbon Corp. of New York, "is proof—if any were needed—that the American people are not content to continue throwing two billion dollars a year down the rathole. That is the cost of destruction wrought by rats in this country. This first concerted nationwide anti-rat campaign will reduce that figure considerably."

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