

## WORLD WAR MONUMENT



**K**EARNY'S monument to her citizens who lost their lives in the World War was raised in 1923 in Memorial Park at the convergence of Kearny Avenue and Beech Street. The dedication of the shaft and the park occasioned one of the town's greatest assemblages. General John J. Pershing, commander of the American forces in France, unveiled the statue after a parade that stretched for miles through the town and embraced large delegations from almost every military and fraternal organization in New

Jersey. To Frobisher Post, American Legion, must be given much of the credit toward the erection of the monument. Members of the Post under the direction of their leader, Mr. Fred Portz, conducted a thorough house-to-house campaign for contributions. About \$11,000 was raised by this means, and with the \$14,000 supplied by the town government the memorial was made possible. It is of Vermont granite; and it is a permanent symbol serving as a dignified reminder to the town's citizens of those who sacrificed their lives in the war.