

Dedication Scheduled June 17 For 7-Story Federal Building

The new U.S. Courthouse and Federal Building on Main Street will be dedicated June 17.

U.S. Rep. Emilio Q. Daddario said the dedication program is being arranged in cooperation with the General Services Administration (GSA), the government agency which has supervised the design and construction of the building and which will operate it.

Daddario Announces

Daddario announced the date after a conference in Washington, D.C., with Bernard L. Boutin, general services administrator.

The seven-story building at the corner of Main and Sheldon streets has 298,386 gross square feet of space with net assignable space of 197,228 square feet.

The first government agency scheduled to move into the new building is the Internal Revenue Service, which has a scheduled moving date of May 4. GSA said other agencies are scheduled to move into the building in the following two or three weeks. Federal Court personnel are expected to be among the last to move.

The building will house the U.S. Departments of Health, Education and Welfare; Justice; Treasury; Defense; Agriculture, and Commerce; the Civil Service Commission, Small Business Administration, Housing and Home Finance Agency, and the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service.

Some federal agencies, including the Post Office and the Ir-

migration and Naturalization Service will remain in the Federal Building at 135 High St.

A new telephone service called Centrex, designed to make calling both easier and faster for about 2,400 government employes in the Hartford area and for persons calling government offices went into effect Saturday.

Direct Connection

The majority of federal numbers—which are listed in the new telephone directories—start with 244, followed by a four-digit extension number. Callers will no longer have to ask an operator for a specific extension number.

Some government offices have their own listings in the new directory, and the GSA said the public should look up the numbers before placing a call.