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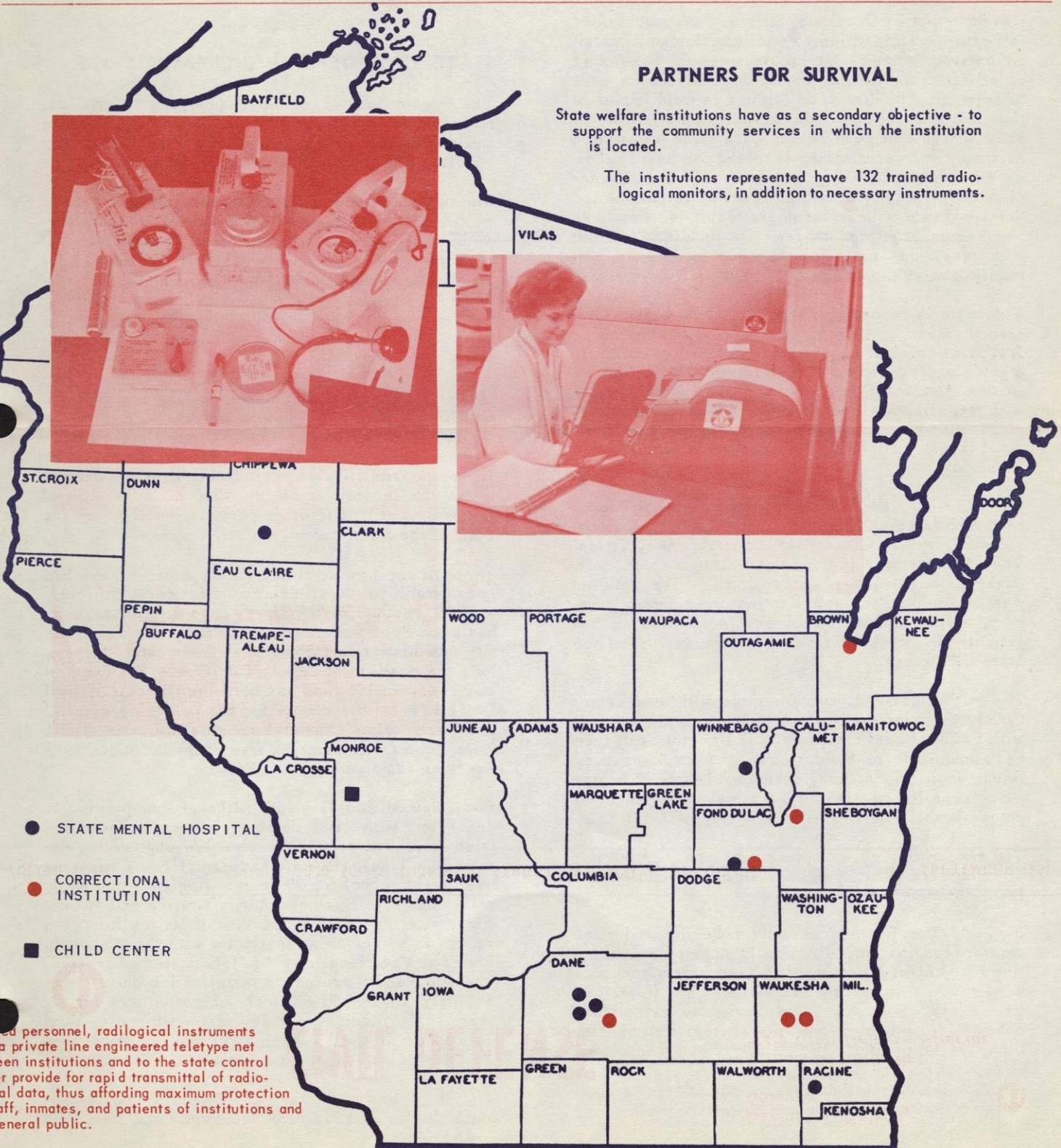
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## PARTNERS FOR SURVIVAL

State welfare institutions have as a secondary objective - to support the community services in which the institution is located.

The institutions represented have 132 trained radiological monitors, in addition to necessary instruments.



Trained personnel, radiological instruments plus a private line engineered teletype net between institutions and to the state control center provide for rapid transmittal of radiological data, thus affording maximum protection to staff, inmates, and patients of institutions and the general public.

## FROM THE DIRECTOR

One of the areas of special emphasis of the State Civil Defense Program during the next six to twelve months will be the development of the Economic Stabilization System. Emphasis will be put on developing a standby organization for rationing food and other consumer goods. Price and rent-control organization will also be developed to the extent possible.

The importance of a standby rationing system, readied to begin operating within days of attack, can scarcely be overemphasized. Social response to disaster is orderly in proportion as preparations have been made to cope with the disaster. Nothing is more important than for evacuees and the entire population of the state to see that governments have made preparation to supply at least minimum levels of the basic necessities, shelter, clothing and food. In the absence of these preparations, a high level of antisocial and perhaps lawless behavior might result, as evacuees and others attempted to fend for themselves. But with provisions made for rationing food fairly, primarily law-abiding behavior could be anticipated.

Wisconsin is fortunate in that Donald V. Jensen, Assistant State Co-Director for Supply and Economic Stabilization, has carried on extensive planning in organizing for economic stabilization. He has rewritten Annexes P and Q of the State OSP, dealing with stabilization and supply. These annexes, together with added materials on area, county and municipal tasks, will shortly be issued as a Stabilization Handbook.

The Governor will soon be appointing a State Economic Stabilization Director, probably from a panel supplied by the Wisconsin Banker's Association. The Director will provide leadership among state bankers, businessmen and realtors. The detailed work of building the stabilization organization, however, will be carried out by Mr. Jensen and his assistant, Mr. Stanley Grimstad, a new member of the State CD Bureau.

The initial task of County Directors will be to select County Co-Directors for Stabilization, in conjunction with County Board Chairmen. CD Directors will then be responsible to build county and local organizations, including standby rationing boards. It may prove possible to enroll PTA's and other volunteer groups in this effort.

The size of the job is impressive — and it is but one of twenty or thirty programs involving county and local directors.

In World War II, the consumer rationing and price control organization, OPA, finally included something like fifty full-time personnel in Wisconsin alone, plus some 4,000 volunteers. Yet in World War II, we had five months following Pearl Harbor to establish a nation-wide program, the initial registration being for sugar rationing. If the mononuclear war should come, however, Wisconsin would require a rationing organization able to function immediately, or at least at the end of a five-day freeze on food sales.

The stabilization program will be introduced to County Directors at area meetings to be held in late November and early December. These will be held in conjunction with the U. S. Department of Agriculture, which will also have a large role in the rationing and stabilization programs.

It is plain that this program, plus all the others, for which County and Municipal Directors are responsible, will require time and effort for surpassing even that we have given to date.

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### STATE CIVIL DEFENSE INCREASES STAFF

The appointment of six new employees to civil defense positions with the State Bureau of Civil Defense and two other state departments has been announced by William K. Chipman, director of the bureau.

The new employees and positions filled are: Ronald F. Treichel, Milwaukee, *Plans and Operations Officer*; C. S. Grimstad, Fond du Lac, *Economics Stabilization Officer*; Robert A. Hensen, Fond du Lac, *Southwest Reception Area Director*; Gilbert E. Czarnecki, St. Francis, *Northwest Reception Area Director*; George Nelson, Mondovi, *Radiological Officer*; and John W. Hogland, Mellen, *Coordinator of Safety Services*.

Of the above named personnel, Nelson and Hogland will be full time civil defense workers with the State Board of Health and the Motor Vehicle Dept., respectively. Those agencies have been assigned specific CD responsibilities in their fields by the Governor under the provisions of the Wisconsin Operational Survival Plan. The other personnel will be on the staff of the State Bureau of Civil Defense.

Three of the new civil service appointees have had considerable past civil defense experience. Treichel, a 1953 graduate of the U. W. School of Journalism, has been Public Information Officer for the Milwaukee CD Administration for the past five years. Hensen held the position of Deputy CD Director for Fond du Lac county in 1960 and has been the Director of Civil Defense for the county for the past nine months. Czarnecki, also a journalism graduate, was MMTA Zone Echo Coordinator for five years and since 1956 has been CD director of St. Francis.

Both Nelson and Hogland, although not previously connected with civil defense, are experienced instructors. The former received his engineering degree from Wisconsin State College at Eau Claire and has taught school for 28 years. Hogland, who holds a BS degree in Business Administration and Economics, was fire chief of the city of Mellen for seven years and served as an instructor with the Wisconsin Board of Vocational and Adult Education. Grimstad, who will handle economics stabilization duties, was employed by the U. S. Dept. of Agriculture for six years. He received his BS degree in Agricultural Economics at the U. W. in 1950 and his MS degree from the University of Arkansas in 1952.

All of the new personnel will attend a special orientation course at State CD Headquarters during the period September 18 - 27.

**CD WORKSHOP HELD FOR TEACHERS**

The State Bureau of Civil Defense conducted a civil defense workshop in conjunction with the Tri-County Teachers Meeting at Crivitz, September 14-15.

The annual meeting was attended by approximately 1500 school administrators and teachers. The group was given a general indoctrination on the state civil defense program and briefed on actions to take in organizing and administering school civil defense programs.

Wallace Ewald, State CD Training Officer, conducted the sessions.

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**CENSUS REPORTS AVAILABLE FOR CD PLANNING**

OCDM has announced that the Census Bureau is now publishing reports on city block population and dwelling characteristics which could be effectively used by local CD directors in their emergency survival planning. The reports are limited to cities of 50,000 or over and for 172 locations which specifically requested these statistics.

Included in the "City Block" reports is data on the number of owner and renter-occupied units, condition of the units, average number of rooms and number of persons per room.

City Block reports are presently available for 421 cities including seven in Wisconsin. The reports must be ordered from the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington 25, D.C. **DO NOT ORDER COPIES OF THE CENSUS REPORTS FROM THE STATE BUREAU OR OCDM SINCE THEY ARE NOT AVAILABLE AT THESE OFFICES!**

Wisconsin cities for which reports are available, the report numbers and prices are as follows:

| Report No. | City        | Charge     |
|------------|-------------|------------|
| 412        | Fond du Lac | \$.20 each |
| 413        | Green Bay   | .25 each   |
| 414        | Kenosha     | .25 each   |
| 415        | Madison     | .30 each   |
| 416        | Manitowoc   | .25 each   |
| 417        | Milwaukee   | .60 each   |
| 418        | Racine      | .25 each   |

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**FUTURE PROGRAMS DISCUSSED AT SB CD STAFF MEETING**

New personnel were welcomed and future civil defense plans and objectives were discussed at a special staff meeting at State CD Headquarters on Sept. 8.

A brief review of plans for economic stabilization meetings and organization, and the effect of the forthcoming Federal shelter-survey program on Wisconsin was given by State CD Director, William K. Chipman. The survey program, Chipman said, will be carried out by civilian architectural and engineering firms, working on contract through the Corps of Engineers and the Navy's Bureau of Yards and Docks. The

program in Wisconsin will be under the immediate supervision of the 9th Naval District, Great Lakes, Ill.

Other pertinent subjects discussed at the meeting included amendments and changes to various annexes in the State Operational Survival Plan and plans for schools to educate county and local CD directors in administrative and organizational procedures and other important aspects of state and community survival planning.

In addition to the immediate staff of the State CD Bureau, the following civil defense personnel from other agencies attended the meeting: Louis E. Remily, Board of Health; Dean Van Gorden, Motor Vehicle; George Nelson, Board of Health; Clinton Knutson, Selective Service; and Dan Kobussen, Wisconsin Telephone Co.

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**FALLOUT SHELTERS ELIGIBLE FOR FHA LOANS**

The Federal Housing Administration announced on August 1 that fallout shelters are now eligible for FHA insured loans under the agency's new rehabilitation program. Under this program, rehabilitation loans included in the 1961 Housing Act provide for FHA insurance on loans up to \$10,000 with maximum terms of 20 years and maximum interest rate of 6 percent for rehabilitation of individual homes.

Minimum amount of the loans for inside urban renewal areas has been set at \$1,000 and in other areas the minimum is \$2,500. The loans are to be used to improve the basic livability of dwelling units.

Although fallout shelter loans have been authorized for some time under the Title I property improvement program of FHA, that program only provided for maximum insurance of \$3,500 with a maximum term of five years. Available statistics show that 265 shelters were built in the U. S. under that program, with the majority located in the midwest and plains states where they doubled as tornado shelters.

FHA also will make available insured mortgage financing for homes built with fallout shelters. FHA, however, does not endorse, approve, or recommend any particular type of shelter, but does require that they conform to OCDM and FHA standards. These two agencies would make the inspections of constructions.

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**1,106 FEDERAL CD EMPLOYEES TRANSFERRED**

In line with the recent reorganization of Federal civil defense which saw the transfer of major CD responsibilities from OCDM to the Department of Defense, the Pentagon on September 1 announced transfer of 1,106 CD employees, including 571 at Operation Headquarters in Battle Creek, from OCDM to the new Office of Civil Defense in the Defense Department.

The action affected all but some 500 personnel, most of who will be absorbed by the new Office of Emergency Planning in Washington, which will succeed OCDM.

# CIVIL DEFENSE AROUND THE STATE

- - - - what your neighbors are doing - - - -

**BELOIT** - Personnel at the Beloit State Bank are in the process of completing a family fallout shelter display area. The exhibit will include a mock-up of a home shelter and the various items necessary to stock it with in event of an emergency. Bank patrons and others are urged to visit the display and obtain free publications on civil defense preparedness measures every citizen should take to help guarantee survival if nuclear war occurs. R. E. Tilley, Ass't. Cashier and Director of Public Relations, is in charge of the exhibit.

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**PULASKI** - Basic courses in civil defense are being given each Wednesday from 7:30 - 9:30 p.m. in the new addition of Pulaski High School. The sessions include information on home preparedness measures, demonstrations of radiological instruments and panel discussions. The program is under the direction of Brown County Civil Defense and the instructors are three teachers from the Green Bay Reformatory. Those attending the courses will later be given the chance to attend Federal courses in mass feeding, housing, clothing, family rehabilitation and registration and identification of evacuees in an emergency.

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**WAUKESHA** - This city held a test of its air raid warning sirens on September 8 to determine how effective the system is in case of a disaster. Civil defense director Robert Gavey has asked citizens to report on how well they heard the signals and will issue a report when the information has been compiled. Wallet-sized cards have been issued to citizens in the area explaining the various warning signals, Gavey said. Preliminary reports indicated that the downtown area was well covered but the signals were especially weak on the southside.

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**BEAVER DAM** - Capt. Henry Sandrin of the local police department will conduct a training course for new members of the Beaver Dam CD Auxiliary Police in the immediate future according to a report received from this community. Sandrin said the sessions will be held on Wednesday evenings at the police station

between 7:00 and 9:00 p.m. Anyone interested should contact Capt. Sandrin as soon as possible.

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**MENOMONEE FALLS** - William H. McConighen, Menomonee Falls CD Director, announced the start of a radiological monitoring course on September 28 at the local high school. The 10-hour course will run until October 19 with 1½ hour sessions being held each Thursday night between 7:30 - 10:00 p.m. The instructor for the course is Gaspar Barber of the State Highway Department.

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**WATERTOWN** - A stepped up civil defense program has been announced for this community. Fire Chief Al Linde, coordinator for fire and rescue work in Jefferson county, has issued a call for young men of high school age and on up to register for a fire and rescue course to begin soon. Linde said volunteers may register for the course at fire department headquarters in city hall. Details of the training and schedule of classes will be announced later. Linde said he also planned to contact other communities and departments in the county and ask them to arrange for similar courses.

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**APPLETON** - The Johnston - Blessman American Legion Post No. 38 in cooperation with county civil defense workers is making a house-to-house canvass of Appleton in order to determine the state of CD readiness of local citizens. Residents will be asked questions on such things as the number of adults and children in the dwelling; the husband's and wife's occupation; whether he's a veteran; whether there is a fallout shelter in the home; if there is sufficient food and water in the house to last a minimum of two weeks, and if a member of the household has been trained in first aid. The survey idea was originated by Robert Lathrop, membership chairman of the legion post, and approved by Lee Penney, Appleton-Outagamie county CD director.

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