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A covered pail for hathroom purposes

Toilet tissue, paper towels. sanitary napkins, disposable diapers. SOaD

Rubber sheeting and special equipment for the sick

Grocery bags, week's supply of newspapers for sanitary uses, waterproof gloves

pts. of household chlorine, 1 gt. of 5 percent DDT

Wrench, screwdriver and shovel





You Should Have . . .





A 2-week supply

Stored water or

(7 gals, per person)

other liquid

of proper foods, paper plates and napkins

Cooking and eating utensils, measuring cup, can and bottle openers, pocket knife and matches

Special foods for babies and the sick

Large garbage can to keep garbage

Smaller can for human wastes

STATE BUREAU OF CIVIL DEFENSE PROCESSES PUBLIC LAW 85-606 REQUESTS

Applications from 20 counties and 17 municipalities for personnel and administrative funds under provisions of Public Law 85–606 have been processed by the State Bureau of Civil Defense, and forwarded to OCDM for final approval. The following political subdivisions, as well as the WSBCD and state departments, are now under consideration for sharing in the \$150,000 appropriation made to Wisconsin:

COUNTIES:

Brown, Buffalo, Dane, Douglas, Eau Claire, Fond du Lac, Green Lake, Iron, Kewaunee, Milwaukee, Oconto, Outagamie, Pepin, Price, Shawano, Sheboygan, Vernon, Vilas, Walworth, Washington.

MUNICIPALITIES:

Algoma, Fond du Lac, Glendale, Janesville, Kewaunee, Madison, Mani-towoc, Menomonee Falls, Milwaukee, Mondovi, Monroe, Nekoosa, St. Fran-cis, Waukesha, Waupun, West Allis, West Milwaukee.

It should be remembered that all CD organizations which participate in Federal Benefits must be included under the merit system. Merit system materials and instructions for completion were mailed to all participating CD organizations on November 15. It is necessary that this information be returned to the State Bureau immediately so that the merit system will be operative by January 1, 1961.

Firm figures on the monies to be received by the State Bureau of Civil Defense and political subdivisions will not be known until final State and Federal approval.

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HIGH SCHOOL SHELTER PROGRAM ANNOUNCED BY OCDM

\$3,250 has been allocated to Wisconsin by the Office of Civil and Defense Mobilization for the construction of prototype family fallout shelters by high school students under a new Federal program.

The nation-wide program calls for the allocation of \$250 each to 600 public or private high schools in the various states for the building of such shelters.

At the rate of \$250 allowed for each school, a total of 13 prototype shelters can be constructed in Wisconsin.

Major General Ralph J. Olson, State CD Director, said selection of the shelter sites will be made by the State Bureau of Civil Defense in cooperation with the State Department of Public Instruction and would be based on geographic location and suitable school facilities for successful completion of such a project.

Additional requirements are that local school superintendents must agree to construct and equip the shelters through their school shops during the current school year in a manner similar to the designs and specifications contained in OCDM Technical Guides Nos. MP-15 and MP-18. The shelters, when completed, must also be available for public viewing for a period of six months under the agreement.

When the school systems have been selected for construction of the shelters, local civil defense directors will be furnished with the necessary agreement forms and other pertinent information by the State Bureau so that they will be able to confer with school officials to secure acceptances.

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RURAL CD MEETINGS SCHEDULED

A series of district training meetings designed to explain the Rural CD Program to County Extension Agents has been scheduled for the next two months.

The meetings have been arranged by Donald V. Jensen of the State Department of Agriculture which is implementing the Rural CD Program through the facilities of the Agricultural Extension Service and other agricultural and farm organizations.

Further information as to time and place of the coming meetings can be obtained from County Agricultural Agents.

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AGRICULTURAL PERSONNEL COMPLETE RADIOLOGICAL MONITORING COURSE

19 persons from the Dairy and Foods Division of the State Department of Agriculture completed a 10-hour radiological monitoring course held in Madison on November 1 and $\overline{2}$.

The course was held in the Industrial Hygiene Laboratory on the U. W. campus under the direction of Dr. William Lea, State Radiological Officer and his assistant, Edward J. Otterson.

Also assisting in the instruction were D. N. Willett, Robert J. Moubry, John Collier, Fred L. Thomas, Phil Smith, and Donald Schlaver from the Department of Agriculture. The additional trained personnel will increase the state fixed monitoring capability to cope with nuclear attack, or peacetime accidents involving atomic materials.

In a civil defense emergency, monitors would be needed to check the contamination of livestock, food and water, among other things.

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MATCHING FUNDS NOTICE

Project application forms OCDM-233, Part I and Part II, and OCDM reimbursement or billing form OCDM-380 dated *prior to July 1960* are obsolete and may not be used. All such forms should be destroyed and new forms requested from the State Bureau of Civil Defense.

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U. S. MAIL TRUCKS TO SERVE AS AUXILIARY AMBULANCES IN CD EMERGENCY

The American Medical Association Civil Defense Review, February 1960, reports OCDM and the Post Office Department are cooperating in a new project to equip the nation's 40,000 mail trucks for speedy conversion to ambulances in the event of a major disaster.

The first phase of this unique program, to be completed next year, provides for such equipping of 8,000 small van-type mail trucks.

Permanent metal brackets, which will not interfere with the regular use of the truck, will be installed on the inside walls. Litters can be attached to the brackets so as to accommodate up to four patients, and a seat for the attendant is placed at the rear.

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EMERGENCY WELFARE INSTRUCTORS CERTIFIED

The State Department of Public Welfare certified 29 instructors in Basic Emergency Welfare Services on November 10, 1960. Three training sessions of two and one-half hours each were held at the Wisconsin State Reformatory training center at Green Bay.

The graduating instructors represent the following counties: Brown Marinette, Outagamie; Waupaca; and Door.

In the next six months, the State Department of Public Welfare will begin training programs in radiological monitoring at its mental institutions in the state. The courses will be held at the Northern Colony, Chippewa Falls; Southern Colony, Union Grove; Mendota and Central Colony, Madison; Winnebago State Hospital, Oshkosh; and the Wisconsin Child Center, Sparta.

Although the purpose of the courses are to train staff personnel of the State Department of Public Welfare, free instruction will be provided to any students from any of the counties in which the institutions are located. County CD directors and municipal directors who are interested should contact Mr. Jack Faville, Division of Corrections, 1 W. Wilson Street, Madison, Wisconsin. (continued on next page)





County civil defense directors are advised that the Basic Emergency Welfare Services Course is a prerequisite to all other training courses in the welfare field and that matching funds will not be approved on more advanced courses until the students have completed the BASIC WELFARE COURSE.

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WISCONSIN AND MINNESOTA HOLD JOINT CD HEALTH-MEDICAL SERVICES MEETING

Representatives of Wisconsin's Northwest Reception Area and Minnesota UNICOM 1 together with CD Health-Medical Services personnel from the two states met at Menomonie on October 15.

The meeting was held for the purpose of coordinating the following emergency planning activities:

- 1. Interstate planning for implementation of relocation of St. Paul hospitals' personnel, equipment and patients to a nine-county Wisconsin reception area.
- 2. Planning for Wisconsin to receive five sets of Emergency Treatment Station (ETS) supplies from the city of St. Paul.

Although definite assignments have been made as to which St. Paul hospitals will relocate to which Wisconsin communities, the physical arrangements still have to be made as well as the plans for integrating such manpower and supplies into the Wisconsin plan of operation.

It was pointed out at the meeting that when Minnesota evacuees reach Wisconsin, they will be under the organization and command of Wisconsin CD officials, according to the State Operational Survival Plan.

Louis E. Remily, Assistant Co-director State CD Health Services, and Dr. Rex E. Graber, Deputy, CD Public Health Service for the Northwest Reception Area represented Wisconsin CD Health Medical Services. Minnesota officials at the meeting were Dr. William Harrison, Deputy Chief, CD Health-Medical Services; M.D. Tyson, CD Coordinator, Health-Medical Services; and Paul Calder, CD Director, UNICOM 1. Also present were the Medical and Civil Defense Directors from seven Wisconsin Northwest Reception Area counties, and Mr. Howard Bennett of the U. S. Public Health Service.

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CHEMICAL WARFARE KITS DISTRIBUTED

The State Bureau of Civil Defense recently received a total of 98 Chemical Warfare Defense Kits from OCDM for training use in Wisconsin.

65 of the kits are being distributed to the field by State Health Services and the balance of 33 kits has been shipped by the State Bureau of Civil Defense to nine counties and six communities. These 33 kits will be available for use by all CD organizations on a scheduled basis.

Civil defense organizations desiring use of one of the kits must submit their requests to the *State Bureau of Civil Defense* with information as to the dates desired. Such requests should allow at least 30 days for scheduling and shipping since it is anticipated that there will be a considerable demand for the kits.

INDIVIDUAL USE OF CD SURPLUS PROPERTY NOT AUTHORIZED

Parts of OCDM Surplus Property Bulletin No. 12, November 3, 1960 are quoted for the guidance of all concerned:

"Certain civil defense organizations have accepted contributions from individuals and other nongovernmental sources to help defray the service and handling charges paid for obtaining Federal surplus property for CD purposes. While not objectionable in itself, this could result in practices which violate the intent of the civil defense donation program, particularly if these private individuals or organizations are given possession of such property."

"... it should be made very clear to all such contributors that donation of such funds gives and individual or firm no right in the property or in its use. Neither does membership in a civil defense organization carry with it any individual rights in donated property or in its use."

"All civil defense directors responsible for donated property should take immediate steps to assure that:.

- 1. All personnel using donated civil defense surplus property fully understand that it is the property of the civil defense organization and may be used only for bona fide civil defense purposes.
- 2. Whenever possible, all equipment is returned to a central storage location at the close of appropriate training or other use.
- 3. In any case where possession of property by individuals is necessary because of circumstances benefiting the civil defense organization, a property receipt is obtained and kept on file until the item or items are returned.
- 4. All donated property is properly accounted for, including appropriate records of the disposition of items worn out or consumed in civil defense use."

Regulations governing the civil defense use of Federal surplus property are contained in OCDM Surplus Property Manual AM-7, Section 3.13. All individuals having responsibility for the care and maintenance of surplus property should thoroughly acquaint themselves with the provisions of that section.

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NEAR SYSTEM DEMONSTRATED

Ray Ballard, OCDM Region 4 Warning Officer, recently gave a demonstration of the new home warning device NEAR (National Emergency Alarm Repeater) to staff members of the State Bureau of Civil Defense. NEAR is a small box-type unit that can be plugged into any ordinary electrical outlet in a home, and when activated emits a loud buzzing sound which would warn the homeowner of an impending emergency.

The unit, which was perfected by the Midwest Research Institute of Kansas City, could fill the warning system gap that now exists in rural areas and some smaller urban communities where warning sirens have not been installed or where the nearest warning systems are out of range.

Scientists and civil defense officials are enthusiastic about NEAR. They describe it as a simple mechanism that could be installed in every home in the nation. Besides warning against nuclear attack, the device would be invaluable for warning citizens of impending tornadoes, hurricanes and other natural disasters.

BE PREPARED

Use this check list to make sure your family is prepared for disaster.

yes no

Every member of the family knows what to do in case of fire, flood, hurricane, or tornado
Our house, garage, and yard are clear of burn- able rubbish
Our electrical and heating systems have been checked for safety
All fuels and flammable fluids are stored in safe containers, outside the house
We have fire extinguishers, a hand water pump, and/or garden hose properly located for firefighting purposes
Every member of the family knows general first aid rules
At least one adult in our family has first aid training
We have the necessary first aid supplies in our home
We have an emergency shelter stocked with ample food, water, and equipment
We know the attack warning signals and what to do if they sound
We know how to use CONELRAD for emer- gency information
We know protective measures against fall- out
Our car is in good running condition. Gas tank is kept more than half full at all times

every answer will be "yes" if your family is prepared



After 10 days, return to STATE BUREAU OF CIVIL DEFENSE

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