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(More Photos-Story Inside)



James Gruentzel, Actg. Administrator, State Division of Emergency Government, opens conference at the Lincoln Park Field House in Manitowoc on Sept. 5.



Lt. Gov. Jack Olson, left, is greeted on arrival at conference site by OCD Reg. 4 Director Warren P. Cleary, center, and James Gruentzel . . .



Stan Grimstad, background, of Emergency Government staff conducts panel summary of day's events. Panel members were, from left, Milwaukee Fire Chief James R. Moher; Chester Erlandson, Vernon Co. Board Chairman; Robert N. Baker, Director of Service, Oshkosh; "Zone A" CD Director Bob Cavey and Bob Kirk, Dunn County CD Director.



. . . then discusses program agenda with Manitowoc officials, from left, Jerome A. Martin, County Board Chairman; Mayor Robert Rand (Conference Chairman) and County CD Director Wencel Dufek.



William K. Chipman, OCD Deputy Asst. Director (Plans) was the speaker at the evening banquet held at the Elk's Country Club.

FROM THE ADMINISTRATOR

I think we will all agree that the September Governor's Conference was most productive and informative to all of us in the serious business of disaster planning.

The conference format, in particular, presented an opportunity for a "down to earth" discussion with county and municipal civil defense directors and other officials of the many problems and activities at the "grass roots" level. The various opinions and ideas that were generated at the meeting will help to serve as valuable guidance to those of us at the state and federal offices in determining our future state-wide plans and programs as well as to assist us in developing more effective methods in carrying out those programs now in being.

Too often in the past program stress has been primarily placed on "why disaster planning is important" with relatively little emphasis on the important mechanics of "how to do it." It is felt that the September conference accomplished a great deal in the latter respect by serving to present a better insight to localities of the overall program mission. Certainly the conference was a most successful one and I was most gratified by the fine attendance and the enthusiasm exhibited by both the participants and audience alike.

Most of us are somewhat concerned about the reduction in federal monies for program operation during Fiscal Year 1969. There is no question but that progress in certain areas will be somewhat hindered. However, austerity has always seemed to be the lot of civil defense throughout the years. Despite this, we have still managed to move ahead by exerting a little extra effort. I am sure such will be the case in the coming months.

At the state level, progress will continue on the job of equipping the new State and Area Emergency Operating Centers, and in recruiting volunteer personnel to assist in their manning, until a full capability is achieved. Community Shelter Planning (CSP) projects already started will continue although, until more funds are again available, it will be necessary that other counties place emphasis on the preparation of interim CSP's. In the education and training field, courses will continue in Civil Defense Adult Education, Medical Self-Help, the CDUEP program, and in other basic areas of training.

Of particular interest to local civil defense directors will be a new state Training Catalog prepared by the Civil Defense Training Coordinating Committee. The document, still in draft form, is the result of several meetings by the Committee and will benefit the program considerably. It contains information on all state civil defense training and education courses, including Red Cross First Aid, offered in Wisconsin and also on police courses which qualify for matching funds. The catalog will soon be printed in final form and distributed.

As far as the Division's budget is concerned, an effort is again being made to obtain two more area directors so that all of the six areas can be served effectively, both administratively and operationally. The only two other items of increase are requests for a Communications and Warning Officer to insure continued eligibility of local organizations for federal funds, and for a rescue vehicle to be used as a mobile training aid.

CDUEP COURSES SCHEDULED

The Civil Defense University Education Program (CDUEP) conducted by Wisconsin State University-Stevens Point has scheduled courses in *Civil Defense Management for November 11-15, 1968 and for January 6-10, 1969.*

A *Radiological Defense Officer* course has also been scheduled for *December 2-6, 1968.* Student expenses will be partially paid for all courses.

Enrollment forms and pertinent course information may be obtained by contacting your Area Director or Don Heimlich, Director CDUEP Program, Wisconsin State University-Stevens Point.

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NO MATCHING FUNDS FOR BOOKCOVERS

Several inquiries have been received at this office from local directors regarding the availability of matching funds for two new CD bookcovers, samples of which were distributed by OCD in July.

Originally OCD Information Bulletin No. 197, May 24, 1968 indicated matching funds would be provided for the cost of printing. This was subsequently superseded by Region 4 OCD letter dated July 26, 1968 which states that *all production costs must be borne by any organization that desires to print them in quantity.*

OCD will furnish printing negatives *only* to requesting organizations. These must be returned upon completion of printing.

The bookcovers are imprinted with basic civil defense instructions on actions that should be taken during an emergency - including the importance of knowing the warning signals and the locations of the community's public fallout shelter.

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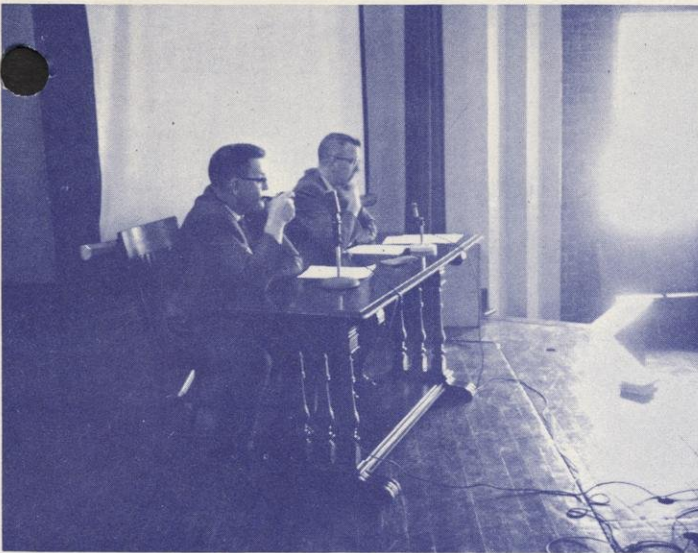
NEW CD HANDBOOK ISSUED

A new publication, "Preparedness in the Chemical and Allied Industries, an Industrial Civil Defense Handbook" (FG-F-3.35) has been prepared by the Business and Defense Services Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, in cooperation with the Office of Civil Defense.

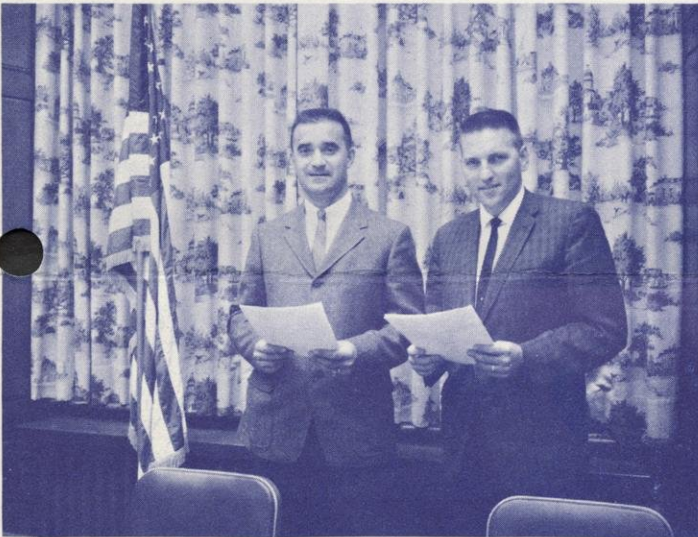
The 42-page illustrated booklet outlines the steps to be taken by the management of such industries in organizing, training and equipping their personnel to cope with the effects of nuclear attack. Many of the procedures apply to any industry.

Requests for copies should be directed to the U.S. Army AG Publications Center, Civil Defense Branch, 2800 Eastern Boulevard (Middle River), Baltimore, Maryland 21220 and submitted through this office.

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"Overview". . . John Parkin, Wood County Board Chairman, left, and Bob Hensen, Northeast-East Central Area Director, discuss overall planning aspects.



"The Plan". . . Tony Testolin, left, Northwest-West Central Area Director, and Eau Claire City Manager Walter Kane presented specifics of a good local plan.



"The Place". . . Panel members, left to right, Bob Williams, Southeast Area Director; Mayor William Beyer of Racine, Alderman Harold Stauske of Cedarburg and Lloyd Owens, Waukesha County Board Chairman, stress importance of EOC's.

CONFERENCE STRESSES GOVERNMENT'S OBLIGATION TO THE PEOPLE

In his keynote address to state and local public officials gathered at Manitowoc on Sept. 5 for the annual fall Governor's Conference on Disaster Preparedness, Lt. Governor Jack Olson urged that every county and community which has not done so to develop an effective "plan of action" to meet the threat of all types of major disasters.

He called such a plan a "basic necessity" in order for government at all levels to fulfill its responsibility for the protection and welfare of its citizens during periods of crisis or actual emergency.

He noted that the state was leading the way in this respect by citing the recent construction of new state and area emergency operating centers and the development of plans for the training of personnel to man the facilities during disaster operations.

Mayor Robert Rand of Manitowoc was host and chairman for the day-long event which was highlighted by briefings and discussions between Area Directors and local government officials on "The Plan" - "The Place" - and "The People." The discussions were led by Bob Hensen (Northeast-East Central Area), Tony Testolin (Northwest-West Central Area), Bob Williams (Southeast Area), Gil Czarnecki (Southwest Area), and Stan Grimstad (State Liaison Officer for Milwaukee County).

Other speakers included James A. Gruentzel, Act'g. Administrator, Division of Emergency Government, and William K. Chipman, OCD Deputy Ass't. Director (Plans) who addressed the group at the evening banquet. Gruentzel said civil defense was far more "professionalized" now than in the past with a much greater capability. Chipman commended state and local officials on their progress and called Wisconsin one of the leaders in the nation in this field.



"The People". . . Don Sleeter, Wood County CD Director, answers question from Gil Czarnecki, Southwest Area Director, on local staffing requirements during audience participation program.



CIVIL DEFENSE AROUND THE STATE



what your neighbors are doing



MILWAUKEE – Nineteen progressional fire-fighters from Milwaukee County Airport, West Milwaukee and Oak Creek recently became the first graduates of the first Light-Duty Rescue course sponsored by Milwaukee County Civil Defense.

State and local officials pictured with the group are: *Front row* – Stan Grimstad, Div. of Emergency Government (extreme left), Chief John C. Gorecki, County Airport Fire Dept. (white shirt), Capt. James Kargl, W. Milwaukee Fire Dept. (extreme right), the instructor for the course. *Standing* – (from left in suitcoats) Maurice Nason, Chief of Fire and Rescue, Div. of Emergency Government; George McDonald, County CD Chief of Fire and Rescue; Jose H. Lowry, Milwaukee County CD Training Officer; Edward Jeske, Adm. Assistant to the County Executive.

Certificates of graduation were awarded by County Executive John Doyne who told the firemen that “rescue training is one of the most vital public services promoted by civil defense” and that such basic elements of preparedness were necessary at all levels of government to effectively engage in disaster operations.

GREEN BAY – The policy committee of the Brown County Office of Emergency Government has approved a plan for providing fallout shelter for up to 218,600 people in case of a national emergency. The plan is part of the Brown County Community Shelter Plan which will soon be sent to the Federal Office of Civil Defense for approval. The plan generally allows 10 square feet per person in the approximately 250 shelter facilities in the county. Eventually, maps of the shelter areas and other basic emergency information will be supplied to all Brown County homes.

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THIENSVILLE – This community is sponsoring a four-week course in “Personal and Family Survival” for residents of the area. The initial class got underway on Sept. 25 with other sessions scheduled for Oct. 2, 9 and 16. Contents of the course include U.S. Civil Defense, modern weapons and radioactive fallout, public fallout shelters and occupancy, home shelters, community shelter planning, survival on the farm, and other preparedness measures. Instructor for the course is Lloyd Berray, Supervisor of Civil Defense and Adult Education, Dept. of Vocational, Technical and Adult Education.

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MONROE – Monroe county civil defense services has scheduled a series of meetings for the first Sunday of every month in various communities around the county. The first meeting was held at Tomah on Sept. 1 and the second in Sparta on Oct. 6. Interested persons should inquire of the Monroe county CD office as to the dates of future meetings.

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