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AS STATE TESTED EMERGENCY PLANS

The State Bureau of Civil Defense, four county civil defense organizations, and 22 other state and private agencies participated in a full-scale civil defense exercise (CDEX-1966) on November 30. Scenes below were taken at the Governor's Command Post in the State Capitol during the exercise which was designed to test state and local capability against nuclear attack. (See story inside.)



Gov. Warren Knowles reads emergency announcement over State FM Emergency Radio Network as Jack Stiehl, WHA Chief Engineer, on phone, and state CD Director Bruce Bishop stand by.



Director Bishop briefs Gov. Knowles in the CP operations room during increased readiness period on measures the state has taken to prepare for the simulated nuclear attack.



Scene at message center in Command Post as women employees of the CD Bureau and other agencies reported for emergency assignment to Jack Gourlie, foreground, message controller for the test. Shown, left to right, are Marian Schleck, Motor Vehicle Dept.; Eulalia Anderson, Charleen Peckham and Mrs. Caroline Dewey, State CD Bureau; and Jane Coble, State Emergency Planning Resources Office.



Photo of operations room during attack phase of exercise shows agency representatives as they worked on the many problems resulting from the attack. Clockwise around table are Col. Wilfred Bjornstad and Lt. Col. John Downing, ARNG; Roth Schleck, Governor's Chief Administrative Aide; Jim Gruentzel, State Deputy CDDirector, at file; Bruce Bishop, State CD Director; Tom Lucas, Jr., Welfare Dept.; Major Charles Litkey, MVD; and Louis Hamel, Health Dept.

FINE AGENCY COORDINATION ACHIEVED IN CD EXERCISE

Notable during Wisconsin's participation in the November National Civil Defense Exercise (CDEX-1966) was the excellent response and coordination between other participating agencies and the State Bureau of Civil Defense, both in the "increased readiness" period from Nov. 28 - 29 and at the Governor's Command Post on Nov. 30 when actual operations were carried out under simulated nuclear attack conditions.

The Bureau's General Staff Alerting and Mobilization procedures were tested as part of the exercise on the morning of Nov. 29. Within 30 minutes after State CD staff members made their fanout to agency representatives from Bureau headquarters all had reported to the State Capitol for a pre-exercise briefing by State CD Director Bruce Bishop. The participating county CD organizations of Dane, Outagamie, Eau Claire and "Zone A", Milwaukee were alerted by their respective Area Directors and began activation of their operating centers in a manner similar to the state's.

A major portion of the CDEX-'66 exercise was devoted to state and local actions to be taken during an "increased readiness" period of an emergency. These included accelerated training courses for the public, briefings of staffs and public officials, testing of communications, alerting and assigning of key EOC personnel, increased distribution of CD literature, and news releases on shelter assignments and home preparedness measures.

The increased readiness actions were triggered on Nov. 28 by a teletype message from Region 4 OCD over the Bureau's NACOM I facility. This was followed by the fanout and the Governor's emergency briefing and declaration of a CD emergency in Wisconsin on Nov. 29.

Warning of the hypothetical nuclear attack was received by the state over NAWAS (National Warning System) at 10:32 a.m. on Nov. 30 and full-scale emergency operations were then initiated at the Command Post. (For purposes of realism it was assumed that operations were being conducted at the State EOC at Stevens Point.) The first flash reports from the field on nuclear detonations (NUDETS) in the state were received at the State EOC shortly before noon on Nov. 30. These consisted of a 4-MT ground burst in the Maple Bluff area of Madison and a 4-MT air burst in the Lodi area. Other bomb strikes indirectly affecting Wisconsin were a 50-MT air burst on Chicago, a 4-MT air burst at Duluth and 4-MT ground and air bursts in the Twin Cities area.

Highlights of the exercise included the initial test of the State Emergency FM Radio Network by Gov. Knowles from the CP facility, and a briefing tour for news media and public officials through the message and operations centers as the exercise was in progress. Excellent publicity coverage was given to the exercise by local broadcast stations and the press.

In addition to the State CD Bureau, other agencies actively participating at the command post during the attack phase of the test included the Executive staff, the state department of Health, Motor Vehicle, Public Instruction, AGO and Public Welfare. Exercise operations at the State EOC were directed by Bruce Bishop and at the Area levels by Gil Czarniecki (Southwest), Tony Testolin, (West Central), Bob Hensen (Northeast) and Bob Williams (Southeast).

In a critique immediately following the exercise, Director Bishop called it "excellent overall" and said that mistakes made and lessons learned would be invaluable in future state emergency planning.



State CD head Bruce Bishop addresses agency representatives at critique in Governor's Conference Room following exercise. Gentleman with camera at right of Bishop is Staber Reese of the Conservation Department who took some excellent 16mm movies of exercise activities.

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FEDERAL ID CARD AUTHORIZED

A new uniform identification card has been prescribed by OCD for issuance by authorized Federal departments and is described in Section 1810.3 of OCD regulations.

The purpose of the card is to provide a uniform means of identification for certain federal civilian personnel, members of the National Defense Executive Reserve, national defense civilian reserve groups, and certain non-federal support personnel who have been designated to report for civil defense emergency duty assignments. The card will facilitate movement of these emergency duty designees by enabling state and local CD authorities and police officials to readily recognize such personnel.

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CD WARNING SIGNALS REDEFINED

County and local CD directors should familiarize themselves with the contents of OCD Memorandum (unnumbered) for State and Local CD Directors dated December 1, 1966, Subject: Redefinition of the meaning and application of civil defense warning signals.

This Memorandum specified that the ATTACK WARNING SIGNAL (3 - 5 minute *wavering* tone on sirens or short blasts on horns or other devices) shall be sounded immediately upon receipt of the attack warning message over NAWAS. The attack warning signal shall mean that an *actual attack* against this country has been detected and that *positive action* should be taken immediately. The Memo further states that "*as a matter of national civil defense policy, the attack warning signal shall be used for no other purposes and have no other meanings.*"

Regarding use of the ATTENTION OR ALERT SIGNAL (3 - 5 minutes *steady* tone), the Memo states that this signal may be used "to get public attention in times of imminent *peacetime* emergencies," but that it shall be sounded strictly at the option and on the authority of local government officials. This includes short-fuse types of disaster such as tornadoes, flash floods, etc. In addition to any meaning determined by local officials, it shall mean to all persons in the U.S. "*Listen for essential emergency information.*" Use of the alert signal shall always be *accompanied by public explanation over local broadcasting stations or by other means.*

A letter from the State CD Director is being sent to all local

CD directors stipulating that the above information is in accord with state policy. *Maximum local publicity should be given to this matter.*

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ROTH SCHLECK HONORED FOR CD WORK

Roth Schleck, left, Chief Administrative Aide to Gov. Knowles, is awarded a certificate of commendation for "Outstanding Service in Civil Defense" by State CD Director Bruce Bishop. The award was made at the critique following the Nov. 30 CD exercise, and on the occasion of his last day of state service. Schleck has returned to private business in Milwaukee from which he had been on leave of absence while in state service.

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CD PREPAREDNESS SYMPOSIUM HELD

An emergency preparedness symposium was conducted by the Wisconsin Cooperative Extension Service at the Wisconsin Center auditorium on December 12 for U. W. staff members and USDA and state agency members.

The objective of the symposium was to provide the latest information and discussion on the emergency food program, radiation research, state and federal responsibilities in an emergency and recent developments in the State Civil Defense Program.

Featured on the agenda were Robert Reed, Assistant to the Secretary of Agriculture, Washington, D. C.; Kenneth Hoover, Chairman of State USDA Defense Board; Dr. N. S. Hall, Director of Atomic Energy, Agricultural Research Laboratory, Oak Ridge, Tenn.; Dr. John Cameron, Professor of Radiology and Physics, U. W.; and Bruce Bishop, Director, State Bureau of Civil Defense.

Bishop gave a slide presentation to the group on the recent developments and advances made in the nuclear defense and natural disaster programs of state civil defense. Don Jensen, Extension Specialist, U. W. Agricultural Engineering Dept., chaired the meeting.

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INDUSTRIAL DEFENSE KITS DISTRIBUTED

Region 4 OCD has advised the Bureau that the Business and Defense Services Administration is presently sending industrial defense planning kits to some 600 Chambers of Commerce throughout the United States. They, in turn, are making further distribution to business and industrial executives in their communities.

NEW CD FILM CATALOG ISSUED

OCD has made distribution of its new CD motion Picture Catalog (MP-6, Sept. 1966). The catalog supersedes MP-6 dated May 1965. CD directors may obtain any of the current films or theatrical trailers listed in the catalog on a "free loan" basis by writing to the Fifth U. S. Army, Audio-Visual Support Center, Fort Sheridan, Ill. 60615. Prints are shipped free of charge using a franked label. ORDER WELL IN ADVANCE OF SHOWING DATE. Shipping time is allowed by A-VSC.

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HOYER NAMED RADEF COORDINATOR

Robert Hoyer has been appointed as the Civil Defense Coordinator of Radiological Defense (RADEF) Services for the State Board of Health.

Hoyer is originally from Dodgeville, where he was affiliated with the Hoyer Implement Company. He attended the University of Wisconsin and served as an electronics technician with the U. S. Navy during World War II. For the past year, he has been employed in the RADEF maintenance shop as a technician.

Hoyer will work under Louis Hamel, Director of the Health Department's CD Division, and be responsible for coordinating statewide radiological defense programs.

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		SHELTER PROGRAM STATUS			
State	Population	Spaces Stocked	% of Pop. Protected by Stocked Shelters		
Minnesota	3,400,000	1,315,000	39		
Wisconsin	4,000,000	1,170,000	30		
Indiana	4,700,000	985,000	21		
Illinois	10,100,000	1,741,000	17		
Michigan	7,800,000	1,305,000	17		

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COMMUNITIES RECEIVE FINAL DISASTER PAYMENTS

Eight communities were presented with state checks on Dec. 9 totalling \$89,868.34 as final payments for restoration of damage to public property resulting from the April 1965 floods and tornadoes. The checks represented federal monies awarded to the state under the provisions of the Federal Disaster Act - Public Law 875.

The amount of final payment, in round figures, each locality received and the overall total (in parentheses) paid to each are as follows: Antigo, \$4,095 (\$17,205); Monroe, \$115.00 (\$14,700); Cochrane, \$9,290 (\$23,020); Durand, \$1,139 (\$14,264); Twp. Campbell, \$5,049 (\$25,249); Prairie du Chien, \$53,889 (\$120,979); Hudson, \$12,292 (\$14,467); Fountain City, \$3,997 (\$27,377).

The difference between the two sets of figures given above represents the total advance of funds each received prior to the final payment.

Originally, following the April 1965 disasters, 91 local units of government submitted requests for financial assistance under PL-875. Of these requests, 58 were ultimately approved by the federal government in 16 different counties making a grand total of over \$845,000 received by Wisconsin political subdivisions under provisions of the statute.



CIVIL DEFENSE AROUND THE STATE



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MILWAUKEE — Medical Self-Help technique in dealing with severe chemical burns is demonstrated by James Joyce, Medical Self-Help Consultant with the State Board of Health. The "victim" is Hugo Jeske, Shelter Supervisor with the Milwaukee City CD Administration.



EAU CLAIRE — Alby Swanson, WEAU-TV News Director, films Tony Testolin, left, West Central Area Director, and Paul Boley, Eau Claire County CD Director, as they engaged in CDEX-'66 activities at the Eau Claire EOC. The county was one of four participating in the exercise.



KENOSHA — Joseph T. Ripp, right, county CD director, is shown as he recently presented individual and organizational awards for "outstanding community service and cooperation in the civil defense program." Award recipients, from left, are: Mrs. Mark Ball, for use of her home for CD training courses; Mrs. Fred Dykeman, for inclusion of medical self-help in practical nurse curriculum; Mrs. Manny Mitka, president Kenosha County Medical Assistants Society which provided CD speakers; and Norbert F. Gumbinger, assistant administrator and director of personnel St. Catherine Hospital, for his work as county CD training officer in medical self-help, shelter management and individual and family survival.

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MERRILL — Norm Heideman, Lincoln County CD director, reports in his publication "ON Guard" that Medical Self-Help courses have now started at the Irma school and at Our Lady of the Holy Cross high school. Approximately 50 students are attending the courses. The instructors are Fire Chief Ray Priebe of Merrill and Buddy Taylor.

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