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GOVERNOR'S CD COUNCIL MEETS

*OWEN MONFILS, State Civil Defense Director, is shown above as he briefed members of the Governor's Civil Defense Council on state programs at a meeting on August 19 in the Governor's Reception Room at the State Capitol. Following the briefing, council members reviewed current operational and administrative organization and toured the new Emergency Operating Center in the Capitol. (See below.)

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NEW EOC COMPLETED AT CAPITOL

*WORK on an alternate civil defense Emergency Operations Center (EOC) in the State Capitol has been completed and the facility is being readied for use in the event of a national emergency.

The new control center is located in a vault in the executive office at the Capitol, which was formerly used for the storage of records, and offers a fallout shelter protection factor of 500 (1/500 of outside radiation.) The facility would be used by the Governor and his staff and civil defense officials to assure continuity of state government in the event limited attack warning time prevented relocation of state government to Stevens Point, which has been designated as Wisconsin's emergency seat of government in event of a nuclear conflict.

Installation of communications equipment in the EOC is now underway and will include NAWAS (National Warning System), Police teletype net, Motor Vehicle radio net, RACES (radio amateur), 75 meter radio to area control centers, Emergency Broadcast System (EBS) for communications to the public, and five unlisted telephone lines.

Monfils called the new facility "another vital step in state civil defense planning to help provide uninterrupted government operations should disaster strike."

NATURAL DISASTER PROCEDURES SET

*STATE CD Director Owen Monfils met on September 9 with Area Civil Defense Directors and other key staff personnel, at State Civil Defense Headquarters in Madison, to establish operational procedures to be followed by municipal, county and area officials in the event of a local natural or man-made disaster, other than nuclear attack.

Monfils said the new procedures were based upon the problems encountered and actual situations which arose during the tornado disaster at Port Washington, which were outlined for the group by Robert L. Williams, MMTA Area Director, who coordinated civil defense efforts during the disaster.

The disaster plan, itself, consists of separate sets of instructions, both for affected and non-affected municipalities and counties, and also a "plan of operation" for area civil defense offices. Copies were distributed to local CD directors and responsible state officials.

Specifically, the plan sets forth, in the numerical order in which they are to be accomplished, such concrete steps as: the declaration of a civil defense emergency; establishment of a command post with necessary communications; activation of pertinent CD services; alerting of warning points; procurement of emergency equipment and supplies; and providing space for the operation of Red Cross personnel.

Monfils said the Port Washington disaster also pointed out the "extreme importance" of mutual aid agreements between counties, or between counties and municipalities, which would allow specific services of one government, such as police, fire, rescue, and so forth, to assist similar services of another governmental unit.

In this connection, Monfils cited the valuable assistance rendered to Port Washington by Milwaukee county after the County Board Chairman had authorized the civil defense office to commit manpower and equipment to aid the stricken city. This assistance included the moving of civil defense emergency generators to the city until power was restored, Monfils added.

"Civil defense personnel and equipment are playing an ever increasing role in disasters of this type," Monfils declared, "and my office is planning accordingly for their effective use."



"Members of the Governor's Civil Defense Council toured the new center, following a meeting of the Council on August 19, and were briefed on its use during an emergency."

FROM THE DIRECTOR

*SINCE THE LAST Bulletin was published, the value of civil defense personnel and equipment in combating effects of natural disasters has once again been demonstrated.

The fact that the disaster this time was in "our own backyard" — so to speak — presented an opportunity for civil defense units in Ozaukee and surrounding counties to show that civil defense can respond quickly and efficiently when called upon during an emergency.

While building our capabilities to survive and recover from the worst possible catastrophe — that of nuclear attack — we are at the same time preparing our communities and educating our citizens in survival techniques that will enable them to take swift and effective action in all types of emergencies.

One of the most gratifying developments arising from civil defense efforts to assist the tornado ravaged area was the ability of nearby counties and municipalities to physically help its distressed neighbor until normal city government operations were restored.

In this respect, I would like to particularly commend civil defense and other government officials of Milwaukee county, the cities of Cedarburg and Mequon, and the village of Menomonee Falls for their fine cooperation in furnishing manpower and equipment to Port Washington when asked by MMTA Area Director Robert Williams for such assistance.

Unquestionably, the disaster *underscored* the importance of having mutual aid pacts between neighboring political subdivisions and a previously prepared firm "plan of action" to follow at all level of government, in event of a major disaster other than nuclear attack. The State CD Bureau has constantly stressed the value of mutual assistance and in the past has furnished local directors with a model of such an ordinance for their use in drawing up similar documents between counties, or between counties and municipalities.

Since natural disasters, in most instances, occur with little or no warning, it is imperative that all levels of government have a plan of action which can be speedily implemented. Such an action plan has been prepared by the State CD Bureau (see front page article) and distributed to local directors for their guidance. Needless to say, the experiences of civil defense units during the Port Washington disaster proved invaluable in determining the sequence and type of actions to be taken when formulating the contents of the plan.

For those who believe that "it can't happen here," you may be interested to know that the Port Washington tornado is the first to be officially recorded in that city's history. According to Marvin Burley, State Climatologist, only two previous tornadoes were ever recorded in the Port Washington area — one on July 30, 1850 and the other August 22, 1860 — neither of which struck the city proper.

Disaster can strike anywhere and anytime. Let us use Port Washington as an object lesson as to how civil defense can serve our citizens, whether in peace or war.

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ROLE OF WELFARE DISCUSSED

*STATE CIVIL DEFENSE Director Owen Monfils in a meeting on September 17 with officials of the Department of Health, Education and Welfare, Region 4, Office of Civil Defense and state and local representatives of Emergency Welfare Services discussed the role of welfare in civil defense now that the evacuation concept has been abandoned in favor of a state-wide shelter program.

Emergency Welfare Services, under the old evacuation plan, had as one of its primary functions, the responsibility for housing, clothing and feeding of evacuees from target areas to reception points in the state. The old plan was changed in favor of one of shelter by a special proclamation issued by Governor Reynolds on April 28.

It was concurred by all at the meeting that welfare's major responsibility under a shelter-centered program would be the caring for displaced persons in the post-attack period following a nuclear attack. Its pre-attack functions are now under review.

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RURAL SHELTER ANALYSIS WORKSHOP TO BE HELD

Arrangements have now been completed for a Rural Shelter Analysis Workshop to be held at the Wisconsin Center in Madison on December 3 — 4, 1964.

The workshop, which will be conducted by Donald V. Jensen, CD Specialist with the U.W. Agricultural Extension Division, is designed to train members of the extension staff, county agricultural agents, civil defense directors and others in shelter analysis techniques for farm buildings.

Local directors interested in attending the workshop should contact Mr. Jensen at Room 101, Agricultural Engineering Building in Madison.

UNAUTHORIZED USE OF CD PERSONNEL AND EQUIPMENT

The following item in the September 1964 of the OCD Region 4 Review is quoted for the information and guidance of civil defense directors and others with assigned CD responsibilities:

"Isolated instances have occurred where civil defense units, the official insignia, and equipment purchased with Federal contributions have been used in unauthorized activities. The use of civil defense personnel, including volunteers and the official insignia, is unauthorized in connection with civil rights activities. Unauthorized use under law and OCD regulations can result in the loss of the right to use the official insignia and possible criminal prosecution of individuals involved by the Federal government.

"States and political subdivisions are urged to take great care that the above provisions of law and regulations are strictly observed."

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NEW FILM RELEASED

Local CD directors may now obtain on loan prints of the new OCD film, "The Day That Made A Difference," by writing to the Fifth U.S. Army, Audio-Visual Communications Center, Ft. Sheridan, Ill.

27-minute, 16mm color film is narrated by Dana Andrews and documents the one-day shelter stocking efforts of New Orleans and San Francisco. When ordering please specify film number DOD CD 38-226. The film may also be purchased directly from Norwood Studios, Washington, D.C. for \$128.63 per print.

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614 MEDICAL SELF-HELP COURSES COMPLETED SINCE MARCH 1962

Louis E. Remily, Director of CD Services for the State Board of Health, has issued a status report to the State CD Bureau showing that 614 courses in Medical Self-Help were completed during the period from March 1, 1962 - August 31, 1964 with a total enrolment of 815 students.

The report shows that the counties ranking one, two, and three in population respectively - Milwaukee, Dane and Waukesha - trained the greatest number of students. Milwaukee county conducted 67 courses with an enrolment of 4,243 persons; Dane county trained 1,829 with 54 courses; and Waukesha county held 22 courses which were completed by 1,742 individuals. Fond du Lac county, which ranks thirteenth in population, was next in the number of persons trained with 1,622.

Other counties among the top ten were: Brown (1,492); Racine (1,298); Winnebago (1,119); Kenosha (994); Grant (885); and Dodge (865); Buffalo and Bayfield counties, which rank 59th and 61st in population, respectively trained 467 and 405 persons. The training figures were based on Instructor Report Forms received by Remily's office during the six month's period of the report.

All told, a total of 1,054 Medical Self-Help Kits, consisting of 663 abbreviated and 391 regular kits, have been distributed to state agencies and the 72 counties.

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SURPLUS CANVAS, COTS, ELECTRONIC COMPONENTS AVAILABLE

*HAROLD ROED OF the State Agency for Surplus Property reports that a quantity of electronic components, rolls of canvas, steel folding cots and various sizes of wrenches are now available at the surplus property warehouse in Madison. The rolls of canvas (also available at the Camp Douglas warehouse) are 29½" wide and contain from 250 - 300 yds. per roll. The material is fire, mildew, and weather resistant. The wrenches are both of the open-end and box type and the cots are army-type 30" wide. The canvas is priced at 10¢ yd., the cots 75¢ each, and the wrenches 10¢ each.

Electronic components available and their cost are as follows:

Circuit breakers (115 and 220 volt)	10¢ to \$2.00
Switches, (toggle, rotary and twist type)	5¢ to 25¢
Potentiometers (30 ohm and up; ½ to 25 watt)	5¢ to 25¢
Resistors, fixed (½ to 200 watt)	5¢ to 20¢
Transformers (power, step-up, step-down)	\$1.50 to \$3.00
Chokes and Reactors (large variety)	10¢ to \$3.00

Wire (sold by the foot or roll)	
10 gage, single conductor, insulated	1¢/ft.
16 gage, " " "	1¢/ft.
16 gage, two conductor, shielded-insulated	1¢/ft.
18 gage, single conductor, insulated	1¢/ft.
20 gage, two conductor, shielded-insulated	3¢/ft.

Also copper and brass wire for 10¢/lb.

Eligible CD organizations interested in any of the above items should submit standard application form SP-1 to the State CD Bureau in the normal manner, Attn: Jack Gourlie. Mr. Gourlie now handles both the surplus property and matching funds programs.

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NEW PUBLICATION

Region 4 OCD has notified the State CD Bureau that a new publication, "Meetings that Move," will be distributed to all state and local CD directors now receiving the OCD Information Bulletin. Distribution will be made in September.

The new publication is intended for distribution to the president or program chairman of local organizations to assist them in planning and conducting civil defense meetings that will attract maximum participation and subsequent group action.

An order blank is contained in the publication for use by local directors in fulfilling their requirements.

STATUS OF SHELTER PROGRAM IN REGION FOUR

PF 40 and Above
As of August 18, 1964

	Facilities Located	Facilities Lic.	Facilities Marked	Facilities Stocked	Spaces Located (000)	Spaces Licensed (000)	Spaces Marked (000)	Spaces Stocked (000)
Ill.	7,523	3,665	3,718	1,604	10,196	4,244	3,913	730
Ind.	2,715	1,397	1,763	1,120	2,200	1,214	1,334	792
Mich.	3,982	2,330	2,483	1,945	3,251	2,091	2,107	957
Minn.	3,163	2,169	2,239	2,160	2,128	1,376	1,347	914
Wis.	3,642	2,091	2,181	1,796	2,494	1,391	1,375	761
R4	21,025	11,652	12,384	8,625	20,269	10,316	10,176	4,154





CIVIL DEFENSE AROUND THE STATE

*** what your neighbors are doing ***



WATERTOWN - "Operation Alpha", an alert test for units of government in the MMTA/SEA Operational areas, was held on Thursday, September 10. The test originated at the State Area Control Center under the direction of Robert Williams, MMTA Director and Robert Hensen, Southeast Area Director and consisted of the dissemination of an emergency message by all available communication medial, except NAWAS, to county CD directors. County directors, in turn, relayed the message to directors of all municipalities within their counties. The message was based on a CIVCON 3 condition and ordered the activation and staffing of all control centers with key personnel and the establishing of communications with the next higher echelon. Communications utilized at the Watertown EOC included the Police Teleprinter Net, 6-meter RACES Net, and established telephone conference calls. Message traffic was handled through RACES channels and counties were required to tabulate service status reports, by municipality, and relay such reports to the area control center, providing a RACES capability existed.

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APPLETON - Lee penney, Outagamie-Appleton CD director, has distributed a 15-page Disaster Warning Plan to citizens in his area of operation. The handy booklet contains both general information on such subjects as fallout, shelter construction, sanitation, family disaster planning, rural civil defense, decontamination and emergency medical procedures, and specific instructions for Outagamie county residents, including the meaning of warning signals, a list and use of public fallout shelters in the area, and other actions required by local citizens.

*** CD ***

HAMMOND - St. Croix county civil defense director Arnold Fieler has resigned that position to accept a teaching job at St. Francis high school in Milwaukee county. Before becoming CD director, Fieler had taught science and agriculture at Hammond high school. As of now, a successor has not been named to replace Fieler in the civil defense office.

*** CD ***

WAUPACA - A. G. Janke, 40, has been named as the new Waupaca county civil defense director. Janke replaces former director Donald Smith who has resigned to take an out-of-state position. Janke is the former owner of the Neil Hotel here and is semi-retired. He will assume his new duties immediately.

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SHAWANO - The fourth training session for the Area 3 unit of Shawano county auxiliary police was held at the Bonduel Village Hall on the evening of September 10. The sessions are under the direction of Harold Pingel, city police chief. Over 45 persons have now received police training in the area which includes the townships of Washington, Green Valley, Hartland, Lessor, Maple Grove, Angelica, and the villages of Cecil and Bonduel. Training films are being shown at the sessions as part of the curricula by county CD director William Opper.

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MUSKEGO - Town officials here are presently considering the use of the former NIKE site for a civil defense control center. The site, which is available on lease at no cost, has been under consideration for sometime. The NIKE base is comprised of two parcels of land totalling about 50 acres. Action, up to now, has been deferred until the entire town board can study the matter. Although the site would be available at no cost to the town for the first year, it would still be responsible for the maintenance of the buildings and property. The launching site is located on Racine avenue and the control area on Martin drive. Fourteen structures are located on the two locations.

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SHEBOYGAN - The federal Office of Civil Defense has approved \$6,907.50 in matching funds to pay half of the cost of a new siren warning system for this city. Three of the sirens will be 125 decibels, which are the loudest available, while the fourth will be 110 decibels. The sirens will be located at Franklin School on the south side, Washington School on the north side, near Sunny Ridge on the west side and one on top of a downtown building. The new system is scheduled for completion by June 30, 1965.

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