CIVIL DEFENSE TO AID IN TRAFFIC SAFETY PROGRAM

State CD Director Bruce Bishop has announced that civil defense will cooperate to the fullest extent possible in Governor Knowle's state-wide traffic safety program "Operation Stay Alive."

Bishop, along with eight other state officials, has been appointed by the Governor to the new Emergency Highway Safety Committee which will conduct the program. Other committee members are Assemblymen Jim Azim, Chairman of the Governor's Council on Traffic Law Enforcement; James Karns, Vehicle Department Commissioner; Dan Schutz, MVD Director of Highway Safety; Adjutant General Ralph J. Olson, G. H. Bakke, Chairman, Highway Commission; L. P. Voigt, Director, Conservation Department; Joseph Fagan, Chairman, Industrial Commission; and Arvid Saether, Legal Counsel to the Governor.

Bishop said civil defense resources in traffic enforcement are limited to the Auxiliary Police that have been trained in each county and municipal unit, and that the use of these personnel to supplement local law enforcement in traffic control activities is an extension of the jurisdiction of county sheriffs and police chiefs in each community.

Local cooperation in the program has been urged by James Karns, State Co-director of CD Police Services in a letter to all Wisconsin Sheriffs, Chiefs of Police and Civil Defense Directors. In his letter Karns said the on-the-job training volunteer police personnel would receive by such assistance would be of great importance in preparing them for any manmade, natural or nuclear disaster.

Extensive use of the volunteers has already been made by many police agencies in a regular training capacity on past holiday weekends during which they proved to be of great value, Bishop stated.

OVER 87,000 TRAINED IN MSH

More than 87,000 Wisconsin citizens have now completed the 16-hour civil defense Medical Self-Help (MSH) course, according to the August status report received by the Bureau from the CD Division of the State Board of Health.

The continuing growth and expansion of the program is depicted by the fact that by the end of this July, the total number of persons receiving MSH training since the first of January exceeded the entire total received during calendar year 1965.

It is expected that the scope of the program will continue to increase during the balance of 1966 and beyond due to greatly emphasized recruiting efforts. As part of these stepped-up activities, joint Civil Defense and American Red Cross briefings will be conducted during the month of September in various areas of the state by a team of representatives from the State Board of Health and the Midwest Region of the American National Red Cross.

Increased school participation in the MSH program can also be expected in the coming months. In-service training programs for high school teachers will be held in many of the larger school systems. These are not only intended to increase the number of people enrolled in MSH training but to also to improve the quality of instruction. In addition, curriculum review and development meetings will be held in many schools during the fall months.

Since the MSH program was initiated in Wisconsin in March 1962, 1,699 courses have been completed with a total enrollment of 87,184 students. Instructor kits distributed during this period totalled 1,286-455 regular and 831 abbreviated kits.

AREA DIRECTOR NAMED

State Civil Defense Director Bruce Bishop has announced the appointment of Anthony J. Testolin, 37, a sergeant in the State Patrol, as Area Director for the 25 counties comprising Wisconsin's Northwest and West Central Civil Defense Areas.

He succeeds former area director Wallace Ewald who resigned last April to accept a position with the State Insurance Department. Testolin was certified as number one by the Bureau of Personnel among the 17 candidates who successfully passed a state-wide civil service exam for the job. He will assume his new duties on September 1 and, after a period of training, will be headquartered at the West Central area office at Eau Claire.

Testolin joined the State Patrol as an officer in 1939. He was promoted to sergeant in 1964 and assigned to State Patrol District No. 1.

Originally a native of Brownsville, Testolin attended Mayville High School and was awarded a scholarship in 1965 by the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety to attend the Traffic Police Administration course at the Northwestern University Traffic Institute.

He presently resides at 243 Superior Street in Portage with his wife, Marlayne, and their two children.

Examination of data reflecting MSH training by county shows that all counties, with the exception of Menomonie, have participated in the program in varying degrees. A total of 21 counties have trained over 1,000 persons each. The number trained in each of these areas and its rank in population (number in parentheses) is as follows: Milwaukee, 15,992 (1); Fond du Lac, 6,203 (13); Dane, 5,853 (2); Waukesha, 4,694 (3); Racine, 3,919 (4); Winnebago, 3,727 (7); Brown, 3,125 (5); Chippewa, 2,408 (21); Kenosha, 1,766 (9); Dodge, 1,713 (15); Jefferson, 1,645 (19); Columbia, 1,640 (26); Outagamie, 1,595 (8); Monroe, 1,545 (33); St. Croix, 1,531 (34); Washington, 1,430 (20); Richland, 1,406 (51); Barron, 1,360 (30); Shawano, 1,346 (31); Sheboygan, 1,290 (11); Grant, 1,205 (23).

The national goal of the Medical Self-Help program is to ultimately have at least one person in every family receive the training. Communities not currently participating in the program, and wishing to do so, should contact the State Board of Health, Civil Defense Division, P.O. Box 309, Madison for specific information on the program and procedures for obtaining MSH Training Kits and student supplies which are available without charge.
from the DIRECTOR...

Substantial progress was made during the first six months of 1966 to strengthen the state’s overall capability in dealing with major disasters of all types.

Major projects initiated by the Bureau in 1965 and completed during the first half of this year included the following:

1) Reorganization of Wisconsin’s civil defense structure into six operational and administrative areas.
2) Preparation and distribution of a Basic Natural Disaster Plan.
3) Preparation and distribution of detailed plans for "Tornado Spotting and Warning" and use of manpower and equipment resources of the construction industry in an emergency ("Plan Bulldozer").
4) Submission of final draft of revised State EBS Plan to FCC for approval. (Supplement to FCC Plan I.)
5) Enlargement and remodeling of the Governor’s Command Post in the State Capitol.
6) Completion and testing of preliminary draft of Emergency Resources Management Plan (Stage II).

In addition, increased activity was recorded in such ongoing programs as Medical Self-Help, Civil Defense Adult Education, radiological, police, fire-rescue, rural civil defense, and shelter stocking.

A gain of approximately 62,000 spaces was realized in public shelter stocking during the period January through June, 1966 bringing the overall total of stocked spaces to 1,134,000. Local directors, however, are urged to make increased efforts to secure licenses for the 1,314 qualified shelters in the state which for various reasons are still unlicensed. These represent total shelter spaces of some 1.3 million.

As far as proposed expenditures for the 1967-69 Biennium are concerned, the State CD Bureau budget request, among other things, provides for further strengthening of state, area and local emergency operations and communications facilities.

This entails the completion of a new administrative office and emergency operating center for the Bureau in Room 99-A of the large building in the Hill Farms Office Building complex; the establishment of five area EOC’s in the basement of new Motor Vehicle Department buildings to be constructed at Spooner, Eau Claire, Wausau, Madison and Waukesha; the employment of area directors for the Northwest and East Central areas; a full-time communications officer; and the implementation of new communications and warning plans (See article elsewhere in Bulletin.)

These, then, are some of the forthcoming projects now in various stages of development which are needed to achieve a unified statewide capability to act swiftly and effectively during a major disaster.

A few words about Fy 1967 Program Papers. The new "Turnaround form" (OCD Form 744-A) now being used is apparently far more to the local director's liking, judging from the quantity of early submissions, than forms used in the past for this purpose. Response, to date, has been very good and far better than previous years. Localities still delinquent in this respect should make their submissions as soon as possible to assure their continued eligibility for federal assistance programs.

INDUSTRIAL CD FILM RELEASED

OCD has announced release of a new 16mm, 31-minute color motion picture — "Memorandum to Industry" (DOD CD 20-243). Local CD organizations and other interested groups may obtain prints on a free loan basis on request to the Fifth U. S. Army, Central Audio-Visual Support Center, Fort Sheridan, Ill. 60037

The film deals with the civil defense efforts of U. S. industry - what industry should do and what it is doing - and highlights preparedness activities of such industrial giants as Jones & Laughlin, IBM, Western Electric, West Point Pepperell and Shell Oil. The film has also been cleared for non-sponsored television.

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LOUISVILLE SITE OF USCDC CONFERENCE

The Brown Hotel in Louisville, Ky., has been selected as the location for the 15th annual National Conference of the United States Civil Defense Council to be held Oct. 23-28, USCDC President Robert H. Betts has announced. Betts said the theme of this year’s conference will be "Constitution and By-Laws Revision."

Featured speakers will include Paul Duprey of Belgium, who will address the Pfizer Award Luncheon, and William P. Durkee and Faris Bryant, Director of the Offices of Civil Defense (OCD) and Emergency Planning (OEP), respectively.

Arrangements have been made with Brown Hotel officials for special conference rates, free transportation from airport, and free parking for those driving to the conference, Betts said.

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HASFJORD CITED FOR RESOURCES PLANNING

Harold Hasfjord, former Project Director for the State of Wisconsin’s Emergency Resources Management program, has been awarded a Certificate of Commendation by Gov. Warren P. Knowles for his outstanding work in the development of a state-wide plan for the emergency management of resources in event of a nuclear attack on this country. The plan was successfully tested at an all-day exercise on June 15 by 180 leaders of government and private industry.

Hasfjord, a retired army officer who was in charge of the project since August 1964, recently returned to his home in Colorado Springs. He has been succeeded by Blake Smith, former chairman and treasurer of Madison Research, Inc., who has been appointed by State Emergency Planning Director Bruce Bishop to make necessary revisions prior to final printing of the plan.
HULETT APPOINTED OAK LAWN FIRE CHIEF

John Hulet, Fire-Rescue Chief of State Civil Defense since June 1964, has left state service to accept the position of Chief of the Oak Lawn (III.) Fire Department. Hulet, prior to his employment with the Bureau, served in a similar capacity with the Maple Bluff, Wis. Fire department. While with the bureau, Hulet engaged in statewide fire-rescue training programs, including simulated school bus disaster exercises designed to increase the disaster capabilities of participating communities.

All of his friends and co-workers salute him for a job "well done" and wish him every success in his new position.

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CD POLICE APPOINTMENTS MADE

Four new appointments to key positions in the State CD Police Services program have been made by Motor Vehicle Commissioner James Karns, State Co-director of CD and Disaster Police Services. Karns named Police Chief Everett Gleason of Wausau and Marathon county sheriff Henry Gaetzman as Director and Deputy Director, respectively, of the Northeast Area CD and Disaster Police Services. Also named were Sheriff Arnold Drost of Washburn county as Northwest Area Deputy Director and Police Chief David Dobson, Reedsburg, Deputy Director for the Southwest Area.

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DISPLAYS DISTRIBUTED

OCD has announced the distribution of two new table-top displays entitled "Build a Fallout Protected School!" and "Meeting the Needs of People in Emergencies." The displays are four-color on both sides and measure about 28" x 55" when opened.

The school display highlights techniques in slanting and cost reduction and graphically features several new schools which have used them. The latter display illustrates how cooperating community services cared for people following Hurricane "Betsy."

A sample display of each is being furnished to local CD offices. In addition, "Meeting the Needs of People in Emergencies" is being distributed to state and local welfare offices through HEW channels.

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OPERATION STAY-ALIVE

MEANS

Watching your speed
Buckling your seat belt
Passing with care
Using your head
WE WANT YOU TO "STAY ALIVE" TO ENJOY WONDERFUL WISCONSIN

NEEDS COMMUNICATION PLANS DEVELOPED

Local directors are advised of forthcoming changes in the state's civil defense warning and communications networks to meet emergency requirements under the new six-area operational structure. The new developments, according to Norm Blume, State CD Communications and Warning Officer, include the following actions:

1. A systems engineered plan for a Special Services (local government) CD communications network has been completed. This network will utilize the existing state-owned and operated law enforcement microwave point-to-point and base-to-mobile facilities. One circuit will be employed between the state primary EOC in Madison and the six area EOC's. The state alternate EOC at Stevens Point will be added to this circuit in a later project.

2. Area to county and mobile radio local government channels will be assigned to each of the six areas. The first of these will be the Southwest Area (45.12 mc). Frequency assignments for the five remaining areas will be made in the near future.

3. A completely revised state level Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Services (RACES) Plan has been completed and sent to FCC for consideration and approval. All Wisconsin counties will be required to file revised plans upon state plan approval since frequency assignments for each county are included therein.

4. Reconfiguration of the state portion of the National Warning System (NAWAS) to include state control on the area basis and direct access for each county.

5. The Emergency Broadcast System (EBS) Plan for Wisconsin is under discussion with emphasis given to "Priority II-Local Area Access" portion. Primary and alternate points of access for each area respectively are: Northwest (Spooner-Superior); Northeast (Wausau-Stevens Point); West Central (Eau Claire-La Crosse); East Central (Fond du Lac-Green Bay); Southwest (Madison-Janesville); Southeast (Waukesha-Watertown).

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WELFARE EMPLOYEES COMPLETE FIRST AID COURSE

Fourteen staff members of the Wisconsin Correctional Institution recently completed the Standard First Aid course, according to Tom Lucas, Jr., Coordinator for State Emergency Welfare Services. Both the First Aid and Medical Self-Help courses are part of Welfare's in-service training programs.

Personnel who completed the course were Edward Haimeri, Norman Thorpe, David Henker, James Dwyer, Delbert Rossey, Donald Rehrauer, James Ennis, George Mrtjenovich, Norman A. Johnson, Wilton Virncohe, Philip Goetz, John Schettig, Edward Kant and William Podvin. James Petersen, an employee of the Wisconsin Correctional Institution, was the course instructor.

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NOTE TO LOCAL DIRECTORS

OCD National Headquarters has advised that it has been receiving copies of local newsletters in varying numbers addressed to different divisions of the agency. In many instances, they are also being misaddressed to divisions that no longer exist.

In order to standardize these mailings, OCD desires that a total of six copies of local newsletters be mailed each issue to the following address:

Office of Civil Defense, OSA
ATTN: Assistant Director for Plans & Operations
Washington, D. C. 20310

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CIVIL DEFENSE AROUND THE STATE

what your neighbors are doing

MANITOWOC — Mrs. Lester W. Markwardt, part-time deputy CD director for Manitowoc county, has been aptly described as one of the busiest CD workers in Wisconsin in a recent article by staff writer Ed Arndorfer of the Manitowoc Herald-Times. Since Mrs. Markwardt became active in civil defense in 1959, she has trained about 500 volunteers in the county. Certified to teach basic CD courses and fallout shelter management, Mrs. Markwardt has had as many as six different classes going at the same time. In addition to individual citizens, during the past several months she has also instructed specialized groups from industry, city government, school systems and members of the National Guard, U. S. Army Reserve and Coast Guard. Mrs. Markwardt called the work “challenging” and said it offers something new everyday.

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MADISON — A meeting was held by the Dane County Board of Supervisors on July 19 for the purpose of a coordinated effort toward establishing a Natural Disaster Plan for the county. The meeting was attended by representatives from government, public and private disaster services, and others involved in county disaster preparedness programs. The consensus of the group was that such a plan was needed and that all agencies present would cooperate to the fullest in development of the plan. It was decided that the county board of supervisor’s Civil Defense Committee and department staff would be responsible for coordinating the project. In other activities, the County CD Office in cooperation with members of the Dane County REACT Association, the Lakeland Citizen Radio Net, and the Madison CAP conducted a rescue demonstration on July 31 at the John King farm three miles east of Stoughton.

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MILWAUKEE — The City CD Administration recently announced the shelter licensing of 33 buildings owned by the Joseph Schlitz Brewing Company. The Schlitz complex will add another 31,440 spaces to Milwaukee’s shelter inventory. The CD Administration is presently cooperating with the brewery in studying the feasibility of using trapped water and the company’s huge inventory of malt and grain as part of the emergency survival supplies. The brewery dietitian is experimenting with various methods of preparing the grains which are then served to employees to determine palatability.

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MERRILL — Norm Heideman, Lincoln county CD director, reports that the county now has 22 trained auxiliary police fully trained in police procedures with new uniforms and equipment, including helmets, badges, whistles, jackets, belts and flashlights. The new uniforms are chocolate brown with khaki shirts and white belts and helmets. The group was trained by Police Chief Gerald Plautz of Merrill, James Smetana, state traffic officer, and Heideman. The volunteers are slated to undergo additional in-service training, and in early fall will be enrolled in the advanced police course. Medical Self-Help training will also be given to the group sometime this winter.

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WAUSAU — Severe weather warning plans have now been established for the City of Wausau. Under the plan, warnings will be relayed to government agencies, radio and TV stations via the Central Fire Station. To avoid any unnecessary alarm or panic, the CD warning sirens will be sounded only in cases of imminent danger of possible tornadoes or destructive high winds. The signal will be a wavering (up and down) tone on the sirens, at which time citizens should take all safety precautions.

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