

America Has No Real Civil Defense, CDA Committee Says After Making Study

Editor's note: civil defense is a stepchild. The federal government limits its civil defense role largely to planning. It says cities and states must bear the main responsibility. But federal planning has lagged behind weapons. Now a new threat looms—the intercontinental missile. A House subcommittee investigating civil defense has been quizzing scientists, officials, military leaders. The hearings have received only piecemeal notice. The following dispatch reports what some scientific and technical men think about the state of civil defense in America.

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Washington — (U.P.) — A scientific and professional group hired by the Civil Defense Administration (CDA) has come up with a finding: CDA is a flop. The verdict was that America has no real civil defense. Its people, cities, and industries, its very government, are wide-open to atomic destruction. CDA is a boondoggle. Congress and the executive department are dragging their feet.

The group, known as the Advisory Committee on Civil Defense, was created a couple of years ago by the National Academy of Sciences and the National Research Council. It was created specifically at the

request of the CDA, which finances its work. The committee is headed by Merle A. Tuve, 54, a distinguished physicist who played key roles in developing the atomic bomb and the proximity fuse. He is chief of the terrestrial magnetism department of the Carnegie Institution of Washington.

Technical director of the committee is Willard Bascom, 38, a research engineer on leave from the University of California at Berkeley. He is a veteran of U. S. nuclear weapons tests.

The public might never have learned what Tuve and Bascom think about the state of civil defense in America had they not been ordered to talk. They considered themselves to have a

"confidential" relationship with the CDA.

Their orders to talk were in the form of "friendly subpoenas" issued by a House government operations subcommittee investigating civil defense. What they said didn't get much attention at the time. They testified Feb. 8. That was the day Connie Mack died. It also was the day President Eisenhower said he would announce his run-or-not decision by March 1.

But they said plenty: **Lack Conception** Tuve: Civil Defense Administrator Val Peterson "is a devoted public servant . . . but he and his top lieutenants seem to have no conception of what should constitute an acceptable performance by their organization."

Bascom: "The public can scarcely be expected to have confidence in the present leadership when they turn to Washington and see that Congress does not provide for its own protection . . . the executive branch . . . continues to build its buildings and let contracts in critical target areas . . ."

Both men feel the biggest defect is the theory that civil defense is a state and local problem. H-bomb blast and fallout do not stop short at city, county, or state lines.

"The federal government," Bascom said "is clearly responsible."

Tuve said a good defense could be established for \$4 to \$7,000,000,000 spread out over 10 years. He said 80 per cent of casualties and deaths could be "avoided" and national survival assured.

Last year the CDA was permitted to spend \$69,000,000—most of it "ineffectively," according to Tuve. This year it is asking \$125,000,000.

Quotes From the News

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Kansas City, Mo.—National Republican Chairman Leonard Hall on whether he thought the Democrats would make President Eisenhower's health an election issue:

"If they do, they will regret it. In 1944, the Republicans considered the same possibility, but decided if they made President Roosevelt's health an issue it would cost votes."

Kansas City, Mo.—National Democratic Chairman Paul Butler at the same news conference (with President Roy Roberts of the Kansas City Star):

"The Democrats are not making the President's health an issue. The President made his health an issue himself. It is a matter of vital interest to the American people and it will enter the campaign."

Palm Beach, Fla.—International socialite Audrey Emery, married twice previously to royalty, denying that she will marry Prince Pierre, father of Prince Rainier III of Monaco:

"Naturally I saw him (Prince Pierre) while he was here; we're old friends. That doesn't mean we're going to be married."

Amman, Jordan—King Hussein of Jordan in an interview with United Press staffer George Bitar on why he fired Lt. Gen. John Glubb as head of Jordan's famed Arab Legion:

"Glubb remained deaf to my repeated orders. I lost faith in Glubb's judgment and loyalty to Jordan."

Washington—President Eisenhower to 1,500 wildly cheering Republican women in a surprise visit to the Republican Women's National conference:

"If a political party does not have its foundation in the determination to advance the cause that is right, that is moral, then it is not a party but merely a conspiracy . . . to seize power."

Washington—Sen. Henry M. Jackson (D-Wash.) on an administration order that Pentagon employees refrain from testifying about strategic trade between Russia and this country's allies:

"This is not national security, but a national coverup."

Washington—Sen. Joseph R. McCarthy (R-Wis.) on the same subject:

"Right now I'm beginning to look back on the good old days of Harry Truman."

Court Records

POLICE COURT

Laurence Earl Sands, violation of basic rule, \$10.
Gail E. Jensen, violation of basic rule, \$10.
Charles John Dahm, defective muffler, \$10.
Gerald Keith Perkins, reckless driving, \$25.
Harry William Finley, failure to stop at stop light, \$5.
Nita Armilda Birdseye, violation of basic rule, \$10.

DISTRICT COURT

Billy Dale Thomas, no operator's license, \$6.
Jay C. Herron, violation of basic rule, \$10.
Harold F. Hixon, overload, \$133.
Troy T. Crawford, no operator's license, \$6.
Clarence J. Lucas, failure to operate on the right side of highway, \$10.
Wendell J. Tolle, failure to dim lights for oncoming traffic, \$7.50.
Katsuyuki Yamada, no operator's license, \$7.50.
Marvin D. Hedges, violation of basic rule, \$10.
Richard E. Wallace, violation of basic rule, \$20.
Clarence J. Lucas, failure to stop at stop sign, \$10.
Betty D. McQuade, violation of basic rule, \$20.
Jack E. Clueter, failure to display PUC permit, \$15.
Raymond J. Gibson, violation of basic rule, \$10.

CIRCUIT COURT

Arthur Vernon Hall vs. Essie M. Hall, divorce decree.
Edna Francis Jenkins vs. Raymond Leroy Jenkins, divorce decree.
Dorothy Emerson vs. Clive L. Emerson, divorce decree.
James M. Gann vs. Mary Empey Gann, divorce complaint.

MARRIAGE LICENSE APPLICATIONS

Del R. Yorton, 122 Tripp st., and Dorothy L. Birdsong, Gold Hill.

Hurricane Strikes Brazil Cocoa Port

Ilheus, Brazil — (U.P.) — A hurricane struck this chief Brazilian cocoa port of 25,000 population Tuesday causing heavy damage. Police said more than 600 houses crumbled, and streets and cocoa depots were flooded. There were no reports of casualties.

Highway 30 Blocked By Truck Accident

La Grande — (U.P.) — Traffic was blocked for miles on Highway 30 yesterday when a Safeway grocery truck skidded, jack-knifed and caught fire near here.

The highway was blocked for two- and a-half hours while wreckage of the truck and trailer was removed. Driver was Chester Nickerson, 44, Beerton. He was not hurt.

Democrats Seek Life For School Measure

Washington — (U.P.) — Seven House Democrats today tried to breathe life into the \$1,600,000,000 school construction bill.

The seven congressmen urged President Eisenhower to declare he would deny federal aid to segregated schools. The congressional hoped the presidential commitment would cause backers of a proposed anti-segregation amendment to the school bill to drop it. The amendment which would deny federal aid to segregated schools threatens to keep the school bill off the House floor indefinitely because of southern opposition to it.

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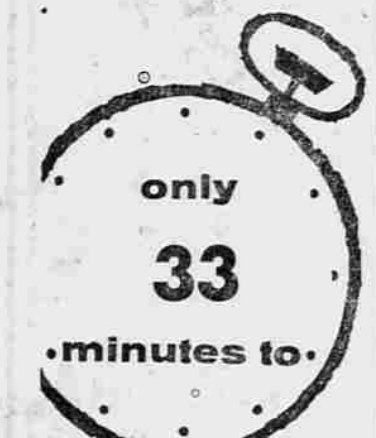
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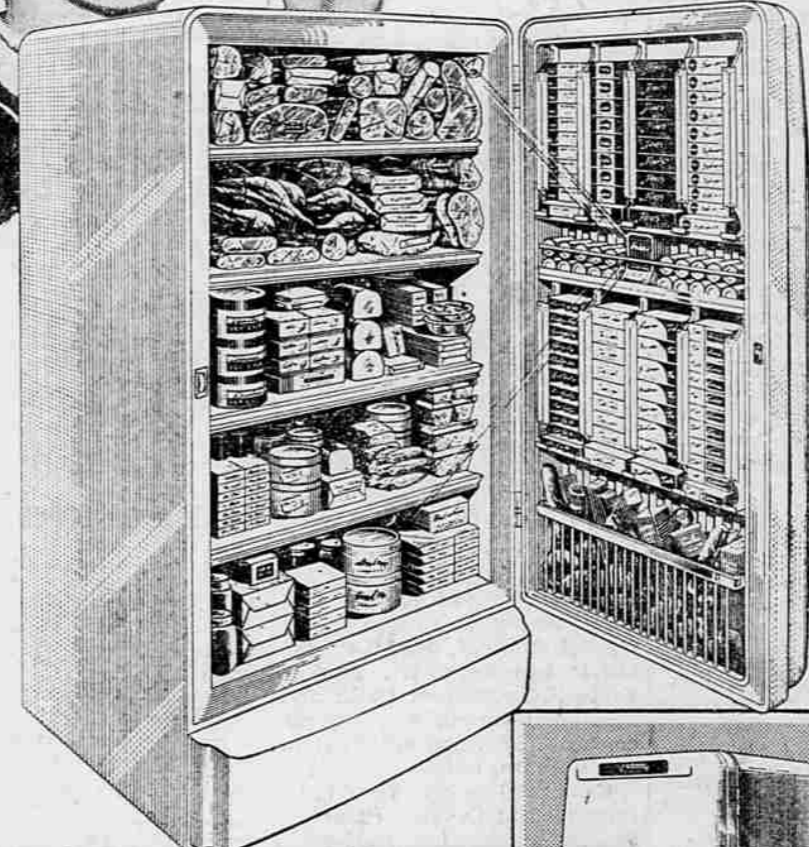
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