

FIGHTING CHANCE

John 8: 31-32

Proverbs 22: 3

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"The history of failure in war can be summed up in two words: Too late. Too late in comprehending the deadly purpose of a potential enemy. Too late in preparedness. Too late in uniting all possible forces for resistance. Too late in standing with one's friends.

General Douglas MacArthur

DIRECT CURRENT GENERATOR

Some people become interested in manual electric power generation for their blast and radiation shelters. Bicycle generators work fairly well for this, although the whole activity is fairly low on a proper priority list of emergency preparations.

One company sells bicycle conversion kits for \$275 delivered. Now \$275 will buy a year's supply of food for three to five people or many other truly essential items. Even if you can afford this expenditure, there are better ways to spend your money.

If your own preparations are complete, start buying food or other essentials for your community. You need your neighbors far more than you need a bicycle generator.

Moreover, if you must have one, a *Fighting Chance* supporter has located DC generators appropriate for this purpose at a cost of \$12 each plus \$1.50 handling charge. These are actually better quality generators than the \$275 variety and you pay yourself \$260 for mounting the thing on your bicycle and propping the back wheel off the ground.

These generators may be ordered from Burden Sales Company, 1000 - 1015 West "O" Street, P.O. Box 82209, Lincoln, Nebraska 68501. Telephone (800) 228-3407.

Ask for the 12-120 volt AC/DC PM motor/generator which is Item Number 10-1023. For an additional \$1.50 they will sell you Item Number 10-1023-R which is a bridge rectifier that will convert the unit into a 110 VAC motor.

Candles and batteries are sufficient for shelters in wartime. Post attack, however, after you emerge from the shelter, a source of electricity would be quite valuable.

There are several suitable ways to provide this power. For example, a good solar power unit may be stored in the shelter for later use. This would be useful for battery charging, radios, and minimal lighting.

One *Fighting Chance* supporter has offered to donate such a unit to the project for evaluation and development. We are looking forward to testing this option; and we will report to you after we have done so. We are also evaluating larger electrical power units of all types that might be kept in blast-proof storage for community use.

SHELTER VENTILATION AND MORALITY

Nuclear War Survival Skills gives absolutely essential information on shelter ventilation. Shelter ventilation is often poorly understood. This is especially dangerous, because we tend to take air for granted and few people have actual experience with prolonged occupancy of crowded spaces.

Cresson Kearny gives several alternative techniques for ventilation through large openings without flow restrictions. In addition, his homemade plywood double-action piston pump provides a positive displacement technique for restricted pipes and filters. That pump is inexpensive, but requires some wood-working skills.

Each of these expedient techniques is demonstrated in the *Nuclear War Survival Skills* video tape which will be available soon.

The best ventilation and air protection systems are manufactured by LUWA company in Switzerland. For information call Eberhard Gerth at (301) 652-0884. Unfortunately, these systems, which offer fallout, chemical, and biological protection, and blast valves for the shelter air supply are quite expensive. The recent fall of the dollar vs. the Swiss franc has made this situation worse. The cost works out to about \$75 per person sheltered, but you must build at least a neighborhood sized shelter to get the cost down to this level.

In between expediency and the Swiss unit are several alternatives. Each alternative is a compromise. In ventilation, you generally get what you pay for — generally, but not always.

In our July 1987 *Fighting Chance Newsletter*, we wrote about a 300 CFM blower which was available for \$15 from Master Mechanic Manufacturing at (800) 558-9444. These are excellent blowers left over from the 1960's at 1960 prices. We understand that the price is now \$20.

We were astonished to see, however, that a mail-order outlet recently bought up some of these blowers and started reselling them for \$200. Buy it for \$20 from Master Mechanic and use the extra \$180 for a couple of more years' supply of food. Remember, no matter how well you prepare, you will only become a little safer than your neighbors and, together, you will only become a little safer than your nation.

Do not waste your resources!

Most upper middle-class Americans can actually afford to provide shelter, food, and medical supplies for their whole neighborhood. Many wealthy Americans can easily afford these preparations for entire communities.

America is free today, because at critical points in history some Americans rose above self-interest and took the survival of their country and countrymen into their own hands. Actually, this is the prevalent human trait in crisis situations, but most people only achieve this level of morality under crisis conditions when certain crucial actions are already too late.

We tend to associate this behavior with giants of the past, like Washington and Jefferson – men whom few of us can hope to equal – so some people often erroneously feel that there is no point in even trying. Consider this example:

Prior to America's entry into World War II, A. N. Spanel, founder of International Playtex Corporation, realized that America had no stocks of latex with which to make rubber. Supplies from Asia were likely to be cut off by war.

Spanel tried to convince the United States Government to stockpile latex, but failed completely in his efforts to warn the Washington politicians and bureaucrats of this critical deficiency. They were then, as today, too busy feathering their own nests with tax dollars to act intelligently and decisively.

Spanel managed, however, to convince DuPont. Now these two men were definitely not Washington and Jefferson. They had resources and foresight, however, and rose above themselves in time to help their country.

In the months preceding war, shiploads of latex purchased by DuPont and stored by Spanel plied the seas from Asia to America. They personally bought the raw materials needed for the war effort. They personally saved the lives of thousands and possibly millions of Americans.

When Cresson Kearny realized that the American infantry would need small pneumatic boats if war broke out, he invented a new type of boat which required very little rubber. However, the Army Corps of Engineers (the same group which refuses to build shelters for American based troops today) looked upon these boats as competition for their river-crossing monopoly. Again Spanel provided his personal resources. He and Kearny made possible breath-inflated pneumatic boats which saved the lives of many American soldiers and provided some surprises for the Japanese.

At *Fighting Chance*, we work on each aspect of the civil defense problem which may help. America's back is definitely "against the wall", but few Americans yet realize this. We work on personal self-help, community mobilization, and national legislation. For each thing that we accomplish there are many more which we need to accomplish, but lack resources to undertake.

Each of our activities helps. Our best hope is to stimulate individual action by a small, informed, dedicated percentage of Americans.

To that end, we urge you to rise above the morality of self-interest and to act in accordance with the morality of crisis while there is still time.

No matter what the merchants of greed and fear may tell you, you cannot profit from the demise of Western Civilization. You can, however, use your personal resources to prevent it.

When you have purchased food for your family, then buy a supply for your neighbors. When your neighbors are supplied, buy food for your community. Store medical supplies for everyone, not just yourselves. When you build a shelter, make it large — as large as you can afford.

Provide to Americans all of the hardware for civil defense that you can possibly afford. Be a diligent and frugal shopper. No matter how much money you have, you cannot afford to waste it. Paying too high a price, whether for ventilation equipment or food, may mean not enough food or essential supplies to save lives in a crisis.

America needs immediate personal individual action on civil defense — not words and paper. Each of us can provide a lot more of that action than we might realize by providing actual civil defense for our families and communities and by working for proper national action.

FLUID REPLACEMENT

On the Medical Preparation video tape (\$29.50 from the Oregon Institute of Science and Medicine), Dr. Jane Orient teaches that fluid replacement is the most valuable life-saving measure which can be implemented for victims of burns and some life-threatening diseases. She gives a kitchen formula for an oral fluid replacement solution which can be used in time of crisis.

Dr. Orient suggests one teaspoon of Lite Salt (the Morton mixture of iodized potassium chloride and sodium chloride in a blue cylindrical container), one-third teaspoon of baking soda (sodium bicarbonate), ten teaspoons of table sugar (sucrose), and one quart of water.

Burn victims need to drink about four to eight quarts of this solution in the first eight hours, four to eight quarts in the next sixteen hours, and as much as tolerable thereafter.

Twenty-five pounds of sugar, one pound of baking soda, five eleven ounce containers of Lite Salt, one teaspoon, and one copy of this formula fits perfectly in a four gallon plastic bucket with air-tight lid. The baking soda fits exactly into a one pint (one-half quart) canning jar. Put everything in the bucket and then pour full with the sugar.

Last week at our local discount supermarket the sugar, salt, and baking soda cost a total of \$10.25. With the containers this kit complete can be assembled by anyone for less than \$15.

The lives of at least ten people can be saved by this kit which is, therefore, about \$1.50 each. That is the price today. *In time of crisis, these ingredients may not be available at any price.*

Burns will be a major cause of death in nuclear war and also in conventional war. Disease is another serious threat. Here in Cave Junction, the cemetery has many occupants who arrived there during the cholera epidemic 80 years ago. Many additional cholera victims were buried on their farms. Most of these victims could have been saved solely by the administration of \$1.03 worth of ingredients in accordance with the formula given by Dr. Orient.

Do this now! You may even be able to talk your local fast food vendor out of a used, food-grade plastic bucket at no cost.

As an added incentive, we will reduce the cost of your renewal to the *Fighting Chance Newsletter* by \$10 if you send your 1988 renewal between 1 March 1988 and 30 April 1988 along with a note saying that you have spent the \$10 for the ingredients of this fluid replacement kit and have stored it appropriately. Send \$50 plus the note instead of \$60. A one year extension will be added to your current subscription.

BETTER A SHIELD THAN A SWORD

*“Providence, who watches over children, drunkards and fools
With silent miracles and other esoterica,
Continue to suspend the customary rules
And protect the United States of America.”*

This poem hung on the wall of Dr. Edward Teller’s office at Los Alamos where he made many of his essential contributions to the American nuclear defense program. Clearly this prayer and others must have worked.

America was given men like Dr. Teller to protect her for the last 40 years. We still have those kinds of people, but now they aren’t being allowed to do their job.

Better A Shield Than A Sword, Dr. Teller’s new autobiographical book, is a fascinating collection of historical vignettes mixed with personal philosophy and an appeal for America to deploy the homeland defenses which could still save her.

This book is available from Macmillan for \$19.95 and also from *Fighting Chance* for \$19.95 postage paid (a little less in combination with our other defense books). It should also be available from your local book store.

Any one of several chapters in the book, especially the latter half of the book, is alone worth the purchase price.

Dr. Teller has been one of the most patriotic, far-sighted, and outspoken members of the American scientific community for 40 years.

Sometimes many others stood with him – and he prevailed, as in the debate over production of the hydrogen bomb.

Sometimes he stood alone – and he failed, as in the debate over nuclear testing. That debate, the lies which defeated him, and the atmospheric nuclear test ban treaty which resulted were disastrous for American security. The atmospheric test ban treaty has helped to create a whole generation of Americans who are easily manipulated by fear and ignorance.

The atmospheric test ban treaty, the antiballistic missile (ABM) treaty, and the MAD rationale which traveled with them may have already destroyed the possibility of American survival.

Dr. Teller hopes not, and he is still working for the preservation of America. When one's back is against the wall and there is no place to run, one just keeps fighting regardless of whether or not there is a realistic chance of survival.

This latter attitude contributes, I suspect, to the principal weakness in this new book. Although Dr. Teller has been for decades a strong advocate of excellent civil defense, in this book he supports the current FEMA program which just won't do the job.

Even on strategic defense, the title of this book is its strongest statement.

The men and women like Dr. Teller who have provided the science and engineering to defend America in the nuclear age are tough, intelligent, realistic individuals. They know what they are up against and are not prone to wishful thinking. They know that, today, unless priorities are immediately changed, the chances of successfully defending America are gone.

Almost all of his professional life, Dr. Teller and his colleagues have had the tools to preserve America and they have used them. Today they have the tools, but are prevented from using them. Unless the political environment changes, they will never again be permitted to use them.

Therefore, their thoughts turn to humanitarianism, to philosophy, to the past, and to using what remains of their influence to save a few lives.

In Chapter 32, Dr. Teller contrasts the idealism of Christianity to the realism of the Jewish commandments. He and many of his colleagues who saved America are Jews. Their realism and dedication built our defenses for the last 40 years.

Now the onslaught of destructive philosophies from within and from abroad is destroying those defenses. The process is so far advanced, that only Christian idealism can believe in their reconstruction.

Unfortunately, this wave of destructive philosophies has also brought with it a flood of irrationalism. This has led to a pervasive anti-science, anti-technology, anti-rational attitude in our society which is contributing to its demise. Dr. Teller writes about that in Chapter 28. This flood of irrationalism is destroying our youth and confusing our people whether they be Christian, Jewish, or other.

This irrationalism has, in many instances, set our theologians against our science; our courts against our technology; and our politicians against our common welfare. The conflicts are artificial and self-destructive.

We have, therefore, a science which supports and augments the Judeo-Christian faith (but our people believe the opposite), a legal system which should ensure our benefits from science and technology (but instead “protects” us from those benefits), and a government responsible for providing for the common defense (but which actually is preventing us from defending ourselves).

Can these problems be solved? Yes. Not, however, unless we get a homeland defense system which protects us while we solve them. Otherwise their solution may be prevented by General MacArthur’s “*too late*”.

If we stop fighting for homeland defenses, we shall lose. If our prayers are not answered with divine help, we shall lose. Win or lose, we can at least have the enjoyment of reading Dr. Teller’s insightful book.

FOOD

Our Senate and House resolutions emphasize the need for a distributed national food reserve. A specific bill which we have originated calling for funding of this food reserve will be introduced soon in the House of Representatives. For our nation as well as for individuals, food storage is the single most cost-effective first step for implementation of a civil defense. Although we shall do our best with the legislative effort, there is a high probability that federal action for food reserves will be too little and too late.

It is *absolutely essential* that each informed American take action to store food — for his or her family and also for those Americans who are poorly informed or otherwise unwilling to act. At present, the depressed state of food prices makes this action unusually inexpensive. In a crisis, action will be impossible at any price. There are many sources for food at prices ranging from about \$100 to over \$2,000 for a year’s supply for one person.

Remember, you are buying life insurance in a crisis — not next week’s gourmet meal. Also, if you waste money by over-paying you will get less for your resources. That waste, if a crisis does come, will cause death by starvation of those people whom your frugality would have saved.

Please buy and store

- 300 pounds of wheat - 17% protein, 7% moisture, cleaned and treated for insects
- 100 pounds of corn
- 75 pounds of pinto beans
- 75 pounds of soy beans
- 5 gallons of soy oil (opaque durable container)
- 10 pounds of iodized salt

for each person.

Do not pay more than \$100 per person for this ration.

Currently, in 20 person quantities, this ration can be purchased from Preparedness Products, telephone (801) 292-3481, for \$100 per person plus freight. This includes a storage container for the oil and recipes for preparation of a palatable diet from this food. The grain and beans are shipped in bags. (Salt is not included - buy it locally for about \$2 per person.) Freight should cost about 1 to 2 cents per mile from Utah per person.

A truckload of this food will provide for 73 persons. Preparedness Products is willing to co-ordinate truck loads for several purchases without charge in 20 person minimums.

This \$100 ration provides a healthful diet for one adult for one year. It would prevent overt starvation for two people per year.

In addition, please set aside \$10 per adult person which will be spent for specific food items and vitamins for young children. We'll give a recommendation for this soon.

For each person-ration you purchase between now and 30 April 1988, we will reduce your renewal subscription to this newsletter by \$1 up to a maximum of \$20. With the burn kit, you'll subscribe for \$30 rather than \$60.

We encourage you to buy from Preparedness Products only if you find them to be the lowest priced source. We have absolutely no financial interest in this. Our non-profit project is simply giving up part of its newsletter income to encourage you to prevent starvation for many Americans.

Remember the pictures you have seen of starvation in Africa. Don't let that happen in America after a nuclear attack.

Even if you buy so much food that you can never afford our newsletter or donations to *Fighting Chance* again — please do this *now!*

PHYSICIANS FOR SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

Most physicians who attend the meetings of the PSR are well-meaning, misinformed individuals. They give their tacit support to the unilateral disarmament, appeasement, and surrender goals of the PSR leadership, because they have not studied the science of nuclear weapons effects.

This lack of knowledge prevents them from understanding nuclear defenses and from comprehending that the PSR program actually is intended to lead to unilateral surrender of the United States. Without knowledge, they accept the lie that nuclear war is not survivable and that life after a nuclear attack will not be worth living.

Nuclear war, especially with prior defense preparations, is certainly survivable. Life after a nuclear attack will be difficult for a time but, if America were prepared, would certainly be worth living. Long term, the earth would be just as inhabitable as it is today.

Moreover, if you do not mind the mass slaughter of human beings to achieve political goals, nuclear war is winnable. This is standard Soviet military knowledge and doctrine. Having killed more than 100 million defenseless civilians behind the Iron Curtain in peacetime, there is no doubt that the Communists have no qualms concerning mass slaughter.

These are the reasons that Switzerland, Sweden, China, and the Soviets have built survivable civil defense systems for their people. They expect war to come, and they know that with proper preparations it will be survivable.

Many years ago your editor was a professor at a large medical school. I taught both undergraduate and graduate courses to medical students. Also, my work in medical research caused me to have collaborative relationships with many physicians.

Most physicians are hard working, dedicated, and intelligent individuals. The fact that 5% of American physicians are participants in an irrational, life-destroying organization such as the PSR is remarkable.

The study and practice of medicine is so demanding that it leaves very little time for other activities. Moreover, medical training is a poor background from which to study the physics and engineering of nuclear weapons effects. Any highly motivated individual can master this subject, but most physicians have neither the time nor inclination to try.

So, the physicians have become targets. Since they command a position of respect and affluence in our society, a very large amount of money has been spent to try to get our medical community to unwittingly endorse the unilateral surrender and/or the mass slaughter of a defenseless American population.

The methods are simple. Preach the lies that war is unsurvivable, that defense preparations raise the chance of war (even emergency disaster hospitals), and that the Soviet murderers of countless tens of millions of innocent civilians are nice people. Preach these lies long enough to uninformed individuals, even physicians, and you convince some of them.

Many physicians immediately quit the PSR when they learn that nuclear weapons effects are survivable. Just like the problem of an "incurable disease" they are happy to find an alternative. This lie of unsurvivability is where the PSR is most vulnerable.

Tell your physician about the ways of surviving nuclear weapons effects. Tell him or her about the civil defense systems which have been built by countries representing 30% of the world population (including the one which has over 10,000 nuclear weapons aimed at the United States). Like my wife's physician, he may decide to quit the PSR.

And the PSR leadership? The hard core with its mysterious sources of money which has tried to enlist our physicians in their ugly cause? Let their long-time President, Helen Caldicott, (as quoted in the *Daily News Digest* and the *Washington Times* 11/30) speak for them:

Gorbachev is the only sane leader in the world. He is like Jesus. He just keeps giving out good things like arms control proposals and (getting) hit with rejections.

Helen Caldicott

U. S. SENATOR
NORTH CAROLINA

Senator Jesse Helms

Washington, D. C. 20510

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Dear Fellow American:

Civil defense provides direct protection for the lives of our people in case of war, terrorist attack, or nuclear accident. Civil defense is an essential function of the United States government.

In this nuclear age, effective deployment of civil defense and strategic defense would deter any nuclear attack upon the United States. What could be more important?

Unfortunately, American civil defense has been badly neglected.

Enclosed is a copy of the book Fighting Chance, by Arthur Robinson and Gary North. This book effectively makes the arguments for a practical and affordable American civil defense program.

This book is must reading. Please read it and join this effort to protect the lives of our families, friends, and fellow Americans.

Sincerely,



Jesse Helms
U. S. Senator

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