

Civil Defense Workshops Set for 20 Cities in Alaska

"The present uneasy state of the world situation calls for preparedness by all—the nation, the state, the community, and the individual," said William A. Swick, coordinator

for Civil Defense Education Program for Alaska.

"In order to insure," he added, "that Alaska shall do its part in achieving the greatest degree of preparedness, the University of Alaska, in cooperation with the Alaska Disaster Office and the Department of Education, is conducting a series of Community Preparedness Workshops in 20 cities throughout the State."

The week-long Workshop in Fairbanks will be held starting on Wednesday, October 6 at 1:30 p.m. at the Elks Hall. The following courses will be offered:

Courses

RAMONT, or Radiological Monitoring—16-hour course to train city, state and federal agency personnel, as well as private citizens, to read

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and understand radiological meters. Practical exercises using Cobalt 60 will be included.

Courses are to be held beginning Wednesday, October 6 at 7:00 p.m. in the basement of the Public Safety Building. A daytime course all day Thursday and Friday is also planned.

SHELTER MANAGEMENT to prepare both men and women for positions in fallout shelters in the Fairbanks area. This simulated attack involves a 24-hour period of staying in a fallout shelter.

CIVIL DEFENSE ADULT EDUCATION, a 12-hour course to provide broad background in the several civil defense programs will be offered through the Department of Education.

Two films on the Alaska earthquake of March 27, 1965, will be shown. Times and place to be announced soon.

MEDICAL SELF-HELP course of 12 hours will be given by the Fairbanks Civil Defense Service. Times and place will also be announced for this course.

A final mock attack exercise for all city officials and the general public is planned for Friday at 1:30 p.m. in the Elks Hall.

The courses are sponsored jointly by the University of Alaska, State Departments of Education, Health and Welfare and Public Safety.

Workshop Elsewhere

The Workshop team has already visited Kotzebue, Nome and Barrow. The team reported the Workshop at Nome was extremely well attended and the people there were very interested in Radiological Monitoring.

Other Workshops

During 1965 starting October 26, the following cities will be visited by the team: Petersburg, Wrangell, Ketchikan, Sitka, Seward and Kenai.

In 1966 starting January 4, the team will visit Cordova, Haines, Skagway, Juneau, Homer, Kodiak, Anchorage, Palmer, Bethel and Dillingham.

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