

In the event of war, all sorts of scenarios are possible for your community. You may or may not receive direct effects from blast or fallout; you may or may not need defense against invading armies or populations; your medical facilities and personnel may be there or they may be gone. Disease may be rampant or it may be minimal. One thing is certain, however, in the aftermath of nuclear war and before transportation is resumed, food will be very hard to obtain.

If every member of your community is within walking distance of food reserves (primarily grain) sufficient for his or her needs for a year which are uncontested by other nearby populations, then shelter is your highest priority. If not, the question is debatable.

The nation already has a year's supply of food in the farm surplus. Both the surplus and the civil defense requirement could be solved by distribution of that food storage throughout our local communities. This brings us back to congressional action. Congress, unfortunately, is too busy with important things like TV witch-hunts.

We do not know the best approach for a community group to take concerning the food problem. Probably they should explore each of the possibilities mentioned above and some others besides. We shall be watching with interest the efforts by the Grants Pass group to complete this aspect of their program.

### **LIES IN THE CLASSROOMS**

The June 1987 *Reader's Digest* has an excellent article on the efforts by the "Educators For Social Responsibility" (sound familiar?) and the National Education Association to introduce pro-appeasement, anti-American defense propaganda into our nation's classrooms.

In Oregon, for example, House Bill 3223 would require the Department of Education to develop a comprehensive nuclear age education curriculum for Oregon public schools. Dozens of peace-through-disarmament and surrender organizations have sprung up in urban Oregon to help with the development of this "curriculum."

Already funded by seemingly unlimited money from obscure sources, these organizations will soon have a flow of money from Oregon taxpayers and a stranglehold on indoctrinating the kids with their propaganda.

Why is this being done? Clearly the kids will, for the most part, not even be of voting age before America's fate is decided. Why regale the gradeschoolers with more horror stories about the "unsurvivability" of nuclear war and the necessity of surrender.