

According to General John Gavin, the Commander of United States forces in Europe, the Soviets have produced two combat aircraft and eight T-80 tanks every day, since Gorbachev came to power. They have produced another nuclear submarine every 37 days.

America is producing, too. She is producing, food, computers, and paper money to give to rescue the poor Soviets from the economic crisis brought on by socialism and a war-level military production schedule.

We should trust Gorbachev to be exactly what he is - the current leader of the best armed and most bloodstained tyranny the world has ever known.

If Adolph Hitler and the Nazis were to come back to life, hire an advertising agency, woo the press, and tell everyone what fine fellows they have decided to be, would Americans disarm themselves and join with Adolph and his boys to create a new era of "peace?" Yet Hitler, even in the worst estimates of his most implacable enemies, did not murder even a small fraction as many people as have the Soviets. Several hundred thousand of these murders have occurred since Gorbachev came to power.

### **SHELTER LIGHTING**

There are many ways that light can be provided in a shelter. In the absence of prior preparation, you can even make an expedient lamp out of a little of the vegetable oil from your food supply as described in *Nuclear War Survival Skills*. It is better, however, to avoid fires inside your shelter.

During the few days that you would need to be continuously in the shelter, you should eat food that does not require cooking or other preparation. You should prepare to use electric lighting.

A 200 amp-hour, 12 volt storage battery will power a 0.25 amp, 12 volt light bulb for more than a month. You may prefer two 100 amp-hour batteries. This gives you redundancy and units that are a little easier to carry into the shelter.

Your local variety or automotive store probably carries small trouble lights for use with the cigarette lighter in an automobile. These have a small reflector, a clamp for holding the light in a convenient orientation, and sometimes a place for a spare bulb. Be sure to get several spare bulbs.

If you direct this light toward the ceiling of a cylindrical steel shelter that has been painted gloss white inside, you will be able to read with ease throughout the shelter.

You should use deep-discharge type batteries. Those used in recreational vehicles or in golf carts are widely available. If you want a better battery, talk to your local solar power expert. He may have something more expensive.

The batteries may be kept charged by periodic maintenance with a small automotive battery charger. A better solution is a recreational vehicle charging unit. These are available in most RV stores at a cost between \$150 and \$200. The charger remains plugged into your 110 volt source and trickle charges the batteries continuously. It also serves as a source of 12 volt power during normal times.