

Disaster Preparedness. These funds will be returned when the government payment is received.

The steel fabrication, wiring, and painting of the seals was done by professionals in Ashland and Medford, Oregon. In order to reduce costs, the children and I and other volunteers installed interior items in the display and delivered it ourselves.

The first major use of the shelter will be at the national convention of the American Legion in Phoenix, August 31 to September 5. The Legion has 3 million members. About 30,000 are expected at this convention. This use by the American Legion and the American Legion Northeastern tour with the Pennsylvania mobile display last fall are encouraging developments. The State of Maine American Legion has now voted to raise the money from members to build a mobile shelter display of their own.

The American Legion has a long-standing position in support of civil defense. Like most Americans, however, their support has been too passive to have much effect. They do show the American flag, however, at parades and events throughout the United States.

The State of Maine American Legion is learning that the flag is even more effectively shown when attached to a 7-ton 35-foot-long mobile shelter float with 4-foot-high American Legion insignia on both sides. If this catches the interest of other state American Legion organizations, they could play a very important part in getting effective homeland defenses for America.

In September, the Arizona display will be transported to Las Vegas for the Doctors for Disaster Preparedness meeting September 21 and 22.

DDP MEETING ADDS OUTSTANDING SPEAKERS

In addition to those listed in our May, 1991 newsletter, Doctors for Disaster Preparedness has now added a remarkable group of additional speakers for their September 21-22 meeting in Las Vegas. The group of speakers for this meeting (each of whom will make a full one hour presentation and be available for individual discussions) is the most outstanding group of homeland defense speakers that we have ever known to be assembled for one event. The additional speakers include:

- Major General Yaacov Lapidot - Major General Lapidot is Assistant to the Israeli Minister of Defense for Civil Defense. He is in charge of all civil defense for the country of Israel. Especially in view of Israel's recent experiences with Scud attacks during the Iraq-Kuwait war, his presentation alone justifies the trip to Las Vegas. Major General Lapidot stands in marked contrast to the paper shuffling, do-very-little bureaucrats who have been given responsibility for the civil defense protection of the American people.

With immediate prior assignments as Commander of the Israeli National Defense College and as Deputy Commander of the Israeli Ground Forces Command, Major General