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COALITION FOR WORLD DISARMAMENT - CONFERENCE:

The committee for World Disarmament held a conference in Vancouver, March 6 and 7, 1982. Several members of the KSPC attended the conference, rally and march and participated in workshops, as reported below. Conferees from the KSPC also attended the "Pete Seeger Sings for Peace" concert Saturday night.

We were pleased to see the large number of people who attended, from a broad range of peace-related groups, church and labour organizations. It is heartening to see the peace movement developing so rapidly into a major force.

The march, which was several blocks long, proceeded to the old courthouse where the conference participants and many others who came only for the march were addressed by Jim Kinnaird, director of the B.C. Federation of Labour and Sidney Lens, author and editor of the <u>The Progressive</u>. Both speakers stressed the imminence of nuclear war and the need to stop the arms race and move to disarmament.

Three workshops were held and reports from each follow:

Labour's stake in Disarmament:	Panel	Norton Youngs	-	TWU
		Harry Greene	-	CUPE
		Emil Bjarnson	-	Economist

The panel discussed the effects of the arms race on working people. Military spending was pinpointed as a cause of inflation and unemployment, particularly at this time. Public money, especially in the U.S. under Reagan, is being diverted from needed social programs to nuclear arms programs such as MX and Trident. As well, arms expenditure is not productive as no goods are being placed on the market. This question was very well analyzed by Emil Bjarnason.

Clearly the feeling of the assembled group was that labour has a great stake in disarmament and that all concerned workers should present the issue at union meetings and in the workplace to make others aware of the situation, and encourage them to fight for disarmament.

Assessing the World Situation:	What will stop the Arms Race:
	Panel Ray Cox - Development and Peace
	Dr. Pauline Jewett M.P.
	Soonoo Engineer

Coming out of the discussions in this workshop were resolutions calling on Canada to revise our foreign policy, based on Canada's withdrawal from Nato and Norad, establishing Canada as a Nuclear Free Zone, abolition of nuclear oriented manufacturing in Canada, a total ban on the development of chemical and bacteriolological warfare systems, and Canadian support for a "no 1st strike" declaration by the US and USSR and the United Nations.

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CONFERENCE - continued

<u>United Nations 2nd Special Session</u> - What Canada Must Do. Panel- Dr. James Foulkes David Cadman Jean Swanson

Discusion took place on the positive, leading role Canada should take in the UNSSD11, as a peace maker. It was felt that P.M. Trudeau should lead the delegation and the external affairs minister Mark McGuigan, not be included in the delegation at all.

Resolutions called on our delegation to propose a comprehensive weapons test ban, a halt to all missile flight testing, a "prohibition of all fissionable materials" and strict spending limits on new nuclear weapons systems.

All groups attending were urged to hold marches, rally's and meetings in June in their local communities, in conjuction with the UNSSD11.



BOOK REVIEW

United States. Congress. Office of Technology. <u>The effects of Nuclear War</u>. Totowa, N.F. Allanheld, 1980. 151p.

This book is a study, ordered by the U.S. Congress, of the effects of nuclear war, "limited" or otherwise, on the U.S. and the U.S.S.R. It makes a fairly in depth study of blast effects on populated areas, particularly Leningrad and Detroit. As well, an appendix, written by Nan Randall, describes fallout effects on Charlottesville, Virginia following a nuclear war. Civil defense measures are also scrutinized.

That nuclear war is winnable and survivable is the underlying theme of the book, even though most of the devastating effects of nuclear war are delineated. One point that is very under-emphasized is the ozone layer depletion effect. The writers assume that government at all levels would still function in both countries, although at a reduced level, which leads one to wonder how this will be achieved. Are politicians perhaps immune to blast and radiation effects?

The authors of this study are not presenting a realistic picture of the effects of nuclear war. One wonders if the U.S. intended that the study provide a realistic analysis. Any suggestions that a limited war is possible are absurd, as are discussions of, or plans for, civil defense.

The Effects of Nuclear War is not recommended. Many other books have been published that provide a good analysis of the planet-wide catastrophe that would befall us. "Limited nuclear war" and "survival after an nuclear war" are two concepts that should not be considered. Nuclear disarmament should be the goal of all governments and all peoples, and the effects of nuclear war should be discussed only in that context. This book will not be available at the KSPC library.



Send a Telegram TODAY! PROTEST!!! DEMONSTRATE!!!

The "Raygun" administration has come up with another Nuclear Nightmare for our bed-time thoughts. Through secret agreements, nearly completed, they are pushing Trudeau into accepting Cold Lake, Alberta and other unspecified areas of Canada, as testing grounds for the American Cruise Missile.

The Canadian Peace Congress has wired Trudeau, and the KSPC has wired both Trudeau and our local MP, Nelson Riis, demanding that our Government say "NO" once and for all to the American Government and their military schemes.

The KSPC is urging that every one of you sit down tonight a wire our Prime Minister. It was mass demonstrations that ended the war in Vietnam, that is keeping the American missiles out of Europe, and it will only be everyone of us saying NO that will keep the American Military off of OUR LAND. From the Canadian Tribune - March 12,1982

Through Rain, Sleet, Nuclear Dust....

Worried about THE BOMB? If so, you'll be pleased to know that the U.S. government has a Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) to ensure the capitalist system rebounds from all-out nuclear war.

It has conducted no less than 369 "postattack recovery studies" and it's heartening to see FEMA's main concern lies not in lives but in such American values as banking, rents, mortgages, mail and currency.

The U.S. Postal Service plans to distribute "postage-free Emergency Change-of-Address cards" to ensure survivors will pay their bills. Banks are working out detailed plans to keep the system functioning. "Victory in a nuclear war," explains a Federal Reserve System pamphlet, "will belong to the country that recovers first."

The Department of Housing and Urban Development's manual on post-attack problems discusses how to establish emergency housing and "firm rent guidelines."

Other departments get into such matters as the president's survival, opium stocks, safe-keeping of bank records, what to do with the Declaration of Independence, how to preserve currency and how to bury the dead (head to foot).

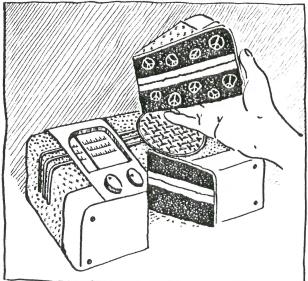
FEMA writes: "The most important thing to remember about a nuclear war is that it will not be the end of the world. Nothing gets in the way of responsible post nuclear attack planning like negative, unconstructive attitudes..." In an orgy of positive thinking, the agency then says 162 million Americans will be dead and injured.

But your "negativeness" is soon replaced by a thrill of hope when your're told: "And even if all the plans come to nothing and people start using fifty dollar bills for toilet paper, and mortgage payments fall behind, and the mail goes undelivered, and surviving Americans form tribes and battle one another for dusty cans of tuna fish - someday, maybe, as a result of one bit of preattack planning, those survivors descendants will be able to find their way back to our traditional American values..."

Feel better?



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The Peace Tax committee has forms made out to include with your Income Tax return. Their lawyer has advised them that if enough letters go in with the tax forms; the government will in all probability form a Peace Tax Fund; rather than prosecute so many individuals. For further information and to receive forms please write to: Peace Tax Fund Committee 1831 Fern Street Victoria, B.C. V8R 4K4

Jim Manly, MP for Cowichan-Malahat - The Islands is hoping to introduce a private members bill before Parliament to establish a Peace Tax Fund. Write to our MP Nelson Riis, urging him to support this.

Nuclear Awareness Day - April 24,1982

The KINAD committee is meeting every Wednesday at 7:30 PM, Room 103 at the Christian Education Centre 421 St. Paul St.

Plans to date are as follows:

Marshalling point is at Allan Mathews School at 1 PM, marching through downtown Kamloops streets to the bandshell at Riverside Park. Permits for the Bandshell and Parade have been granted with best wishes extended to the committee for a successful day.

Speakers to date are an Anglican Minister, tenative speakers are a Dr. from Physicians for Social Responsibility, Nelson Riis, MP, and George Hewison, Secretary-Treasurer for the United Fisherman and Allied Workers Union. Local and out of town entertainment is also being arranged.

Anyone wishing to participate in the organizing of the day are most welcome to attend the meetings.

Salmon Arm Peace Council:

The Salmon Arm Council will join the Vernon Peace Council for their Nuclear Awareness Day event. Reports on both events will be in the May Peace News.

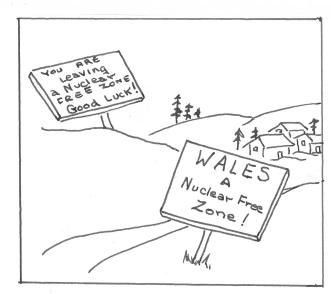
TIME CHANGE:

Starting with our April KSPC meeting we will be meeting at 2 PM in the Kamloops Public Library, 2nd Avenue and St. Paul St. on the second Sunday of each month with the exception of holiday weekends, where it will be held on the third Sunday. The April meeting will be on April 18th.

Cariboo College Student Society is the latest organization, in the growing number of concerned people who have joined the Kamloops Shuswap Peace Council. We look forward to their involvement and support in our many ongoing projects.

The Doctors of Kamloops have once again received letters from the KSPC urging them to get involved in either the KSPC or the Physicians for Social Responsibility. We're looking forward to not only renewed memberships in our Council but also we would like to see our local Doctors speaking out against the ill concieved notion that a Nuclear War is survivable.

Wales has declared itself a nuclear weapons free zone. Signs to that effect are posted at border crossings. Modoristsentering or leaving the country encounter the following signs:



BE A PEACE BUILDER!!! (RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP NOW!!!

THE KAMLOOPS-SHUSWAP PEACE COUNCIL NEEDS FUNDS BADLY. ALTHOUGH A PAID MEMBERSHIP IS NOT MANDATORY IN THE KSPC WE ARE ASKING ALL OF YOU WHO HAVE NOT GIVEN A 1982 MEMBERSHIP TO PLEASE DO SO. WITH THE INCREASED COST OF MAILING AND PAPER WE'RE ALWAYS HAPPY TO SEE THE MEMBERSHIPS ROLLING IN. WE'RE ALSO PROBABLY THE ONLY THING THAT HASN'T GONE UP THIS YEAR!

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