## Big Spring Weekly Herald

## Pacific Defense

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# WHAT TO DO IN AN AIR RAID 

## Official-by the U. S. Office of Civilian Defense



## 1. KEEP CDOL

Above all, keep cool. Don't lose your head.
Do not crowd the streets, avoid chaos, prevent disorder and havoc.
You can fool the enemy. It is easy. If planes come over, you will be hit is small. It is part of the risk we must take to win this war.
Until an alarm, go about your usual business and recreation in the ordinary way.
Think twice before you do anything. Don't believe rumorsspreading false rumors is part of the enemy's technique. Don't
him talce you in.
Know your air-raid warning. In general, it is short blasts or rising and falling pitch, on whistles or horns. The "all clear" is atteady tone for 2 minutes, Watoh this paper for description
Await official information before taking any action. When the Air Raid Warden comes to your home, do what he tells you.
He will help you do your part to whip the enemy.
We can do it. We will do it, if we stay calm and cool and strong and alert.


## 2. STAY HDME

The safest place in an air raid is at home.
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If you are away from home, get under cover in the nearest If you are away from home, get under cover in the
shelter. Avoid crowded places. Stay off the streets.
The enemy wants you to rum out into the streets, create a mob, start a panic. Don't do it!
If incendiary bombs fall, play a spray from a garden hose never a splasin or stream) of water bo stream to put out any fire started by the bomb. Switch back to a spray for the bomb, The bomb will burn for about 15 min-
utes if left alone, only about 2 minutes under a fine water spray. A jet splash, stream or bucket of water will make it explode.
Under raid conditions, keep a bathtub and buckets full of water for the use of the fire department in case water mains gre broken.
If you have a soda-and-acid extinguisher (the kind you turn apsice down), use it with your finger over the nozzle to make.a spray. Don't use the chemical kind (small cylinders of liquid) on bombs. It is all right for ordinary fires.
But above all, keep cool, stay home.
Choose one member of the family to be the home air-raid Warden-who will remember, all the rules and what to do.
Mother makes the best Mother makes the best


## 5. STAY AWAY FROM WINDDWS

Glass ahatters easily, so stay away from windows. Don't go to windows and look out, in an air raid. It is a dangerous thing, and helps the enemy. The Air Raid Warden is out there watching for you. Again we say, get off the streets if planes come over.
At night, there is danger of being caught in blast from explo-
Antiaircraft fire means falling shrapnel. You are safe from It indoors, away from windows. It's more important to shell a plane than it is to see it from a window.
Stay in your refuge room, away from windows.' That is the safeat place, Go there at the first alarm; stay there until the "all clear".
Above all, keep calm. Stay home: Put out lights. Lie down. Stay away from windows. Do not say we are repeating: we would rather repeat until we bore you than have sou forget,
You can do all those things without any special equipment other than what you have now in your home. hands, if your will
You can help lick the Japs, with your bare hat do just those few, simple things.
Be a good fellow and follow instructions and keep, well. Do not be a wise guy and get hurt.


## 3. PUT DUT LIGHTS

Whether or not'Glack-out is ordered' don't show, more light than is necessary. If planes come over, put out or cover all lights at inc. dont wat that can't be seen will never guide a jap. Remember a candle light may be seen for miles from the air.
If you have portieres, overdrapes, or curtains, arrange a double thickness over your windowe, Blankets will do. IY you have heavy black paper, paste it on your windows. Don't crowd or stampede stores to get it, however. You probably have everything you need at home. Be ingenious-improvise. Should you get an air-raid warning, remember to ahut off gas stoves, gas furmaces, and gas pilot iights on both. Bomb explosions may blow them, collects may be explosive later.,
Prepare one room, the one with the least window glass, in the strongest part of your house, for a refuge room., Put food and drinking water in it. Put a sturay table in it. Put mattresses and chairs in it. Take a magaxine or two and a deck of carda into it. Take things ince eyeglases and dencures, win, you when you go into it, ,Take toilet faciinties, paper, a screen. If you have a portable ralio, take hat toor (Above all, koep calm. ' Stay at home! .P.ut.out, Ilidhto ${ }^{7}$

6. YOU CAN HELP

Strong, capable, calm people are needed to man the volunteer vervices. If you want to help, there are lots of opportunities. If you know first aid, and have a certificate, there is an immediate job for you. If you are a veteran, or a former, volunteer or regular fireman, or policeman, there is work for you. If you have no special slillls but are strong and husky, there is a job for you in rescue squade, road-repair units, or demolition and clearance squads. If you have and can drive a car, you may be heeded for drivers' corps. Oider Boy and Girl Scouta ove, Here's how to get started:
If there's a Civilian Defense Volunteer Office in your cons munity, call there and Dask where to report. If not, call your local Defense Council or Committee, or the Chamber of Commerce. Phone and aak where to report, rather than going in person.
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## Editorial - -

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