

GENERAL POINTERS FOR BLOCK AND NEIGHBORHOOD LEADERS

You are supposed to have the confidence and goodwill of the people in your block; you are a morale builder; an information bureau; a solicitor; a salvage worker and many other things rolled into one. You are conveying a vital war message. Do not be apologetic in your approach.

Do you know the people in your block? If this is your first visit as a Block or Neighborhood Leader, it would be well to introduce yourself with a brief explanation of the Block or Neighborhood Plan and of your role as a Block or Neighborhood Leader.

Do you know whether everyone in your block is making a conscientious war effort? Are they saving fats? Do they know that the quota for Portland is 115,000 pounds a month? Do they take their fat to the butcher as soon as they have saved a pound? Do they continue to save all scrap metal, rubber and rags and take them to the Fire Station? Remember that every family takes pride in doing something to help win the war.

Do you know that newcomers in the block should be asked if they have any extra rooms to rent to defense workers? Give this information to the **War Housing Center, 200 Woodlark Building - AT 8611, 831 S. W. Alder Street.**

Do you know that there is lots of work waiting to be done by volunteers and that anyone in your block who has time should register at the Civilian Defense Headquarters, 1101 S. W. 5th and Main?

Do you know that if you have any extra time yourself, you can be of great help to your own Precinct Chairman?

Do you know that there are nurseries available for the care of young children of people working in defense industries? For information about these call Multnomah County Public Welfare - Family Consultation Service - BR 8411.

Do you know that there is a Victory Nursery at Trinity Parish House, N. W. 19th Street, for the children of volunteer workers only? Telephone AT 5963.

If you are asked a question you cannot answer, simply say you do not know, but you will find out and call them later. Do not fail to call back. Obtain your information by calling your Civilian Defense Headquarters - AT 9651.

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You are pledged to carry forward whatever work may be assigned to you. It will not be arduous work and it will not consume a great deal of your time - but it is of vital importance if the war is to be won.

You are now to go out on a Salvage assignment. Call at your houses, tell the women to save all silk, nylon or rayon stockings. **THEY MUST BE CLEAN.** Go back in a few days to pick them up and turn over to your Precinct Chairman.

Urge women to strain all their waste fats into a clean can and take them to the butcher now. Remind the homeowners to save their tin cans, there will be a collection of these at a later date. Each can must be washed, label removed, both ends cut open, turned in, and the can flattened slightly by stepping on it.

Make a count of homes and individual apartments in your block and turn in the total to your Precinct Chairman.