taste of militarization. Approximately 20,000 persons were temporarily relocated April 27 and 40 persons required hospitalization.

According to the Environmental Protection Agency, the leak of silicone tetrachloride occurred in a storage tank of the Bulk Terminal Company, a subsidiary of Dow Chemical Co. A safety officer from Midland Michigan, Dow headquarters, was flown in by the EPA to work with army detoxification units.

Previous Sabotage

The Dow plant at Midland was the scene of companyengineered industrial sabotage a month ago when brine wells were blown up during the long strike by Dow Midland workers. IPS research points directly to the CIA-connected Bechtel Corporation, engaged in construction around Midland Dow, as the saboteur. Bechtel was also responsible for the explosions at the James Bay construction site in Canada (see IPS Vol. I, No. 1, Research Report on Canada for details).

The U.S. Labor Party sent a telegram to the Governor of Illinois, Chicago Mayor Daley and the national press alerting them to Dow's history of planned "accidents," calling for a full investigation, and demanding the immediate seeding of the gas cloud with a basic neutralizing chemical.

The Chicago disaster is one of a series of suspicious accidents and disasters over the last several weeks, which indicates that May will be "national disaster month." As documented in IPS Canadian reports, the Rockefellers are planning an escalation of such events, some to be blamed on "natural causes" and "industrial sabotage" and pinned on workers, leftists, "terrorists," etc. The purpose is to disorient the population, preparing it for military intervention, mass evacuation, resettlement and food control.

Falling Right Into the Trap

The Chicago Sun-Times editorial April 30 admonished the city to be better prepared for future disasters. The editorial called for Chicago's inclusion as one of the eight demonstration cities targeted by the Defense Department for evacuation and resettlement in June, as practice for nuclear attack!

Adding to the confusion, some of the media circulated false reports of the gas leak. For example, WINS, a Westinghouse affiliate in New York City, broadcast April 27 that "It's just a bad smog...it involves only 2,000 people." One Chicago radio station reported that workers at the Bulk plant were to blame for the leak.

Silicone tetrachloride, used for coating glass, is both a carcinogen and an asphyxiant, irritating to the mucous membranes. When exposed to moisture it hydrolizes, becoming hydrochloric acid. Thus the cloud created by the gas leak could easily have become a deadly acid mist over the city.

Government control over and experimentation with chemical and natural disasters — such as weather conditions — has been documented, e.g., in Vietnam. As far back as the early 1950's Tavistock's Eric Trist helped James Spillious in a study of the effects of hurricanes entitled "Natural Disasters and Political Upheaval in a Polynesian Village." The NIMH, Ford Foundation and Armed Forces have been studying the psychology of disasters since the early 1950's. Further investigation by honest journalists is required.

ARMY RAINMAKERS BEHIND CANADIAN FLOODS

FLASH (IPS) — Extensive flooding affecting much of southern Quebec has forced evacuation of several thousand people over the past weeks. Accurate figures are

unavailable due to the systematic distortion of the press. Preliminary reports indicate that the area hardest hit—along the Gatineau River north of Ottawa—is being deliberately flooded in a maneuver involving the Quebec Provincial Police and the Canadian Army. This region has been flooded as a result of the opening of spillages from Hydro-Quebec's Mercier Dam-Baskatong Reservior complex. Hydro-Quebec officials and municipal police have denied that the spillages were opened because of excess pressure on the dam—leaving no \$legitimate reason for opening the flood gates five times in the past week! Flooding and evacuations are expected to continue as we to go press.

May 17 (IPS) — Massive flooding, beginning in the last weeks of April in Canada's prairie provinces, has provided a credible excuse for the Canadiar armed forces and Emergency Measures Organization Teams to practice domestic population-resettlement maneuvers. Canada's major grain-producing regions have been hit by heavy flooding, attributed to the thawing of thick mountain snow packs combined with unusually heavy rains. Provincial Prime Ministers have declared a State of Emergency, and troops are moving people out of the flood zones. In the Winnipeg region all the residents of an Indian reservation near Carman have been removed to an old air base, and half the town's inhabitants have been evacuated.

IPS Intelligence teams are investigating the truth behind the flood disaster. It is an open secret that Canada has long been a testing ground for U.S.-Canadian military weather-modification technology.

Alberta established a special provincial agency to carry out weather-modification programs. In experiments in Quebec in the early 1960's under Environment Minister Rene Levesque, over-excited government rainmakers leaked too much silver iodide into the cloud cover, spilling buckets of beer-colored rain below.

Beginning in 1967, rainmaking techniques were used by the U.S. in Vietnam to extend the muddy rainy season to hamper Vietcong movements. The Weather-Enginæring Corporation, headquartered in Montreal and Washington D.C., has conducted major rainmaking testing in CIA satellite Iran. According to a leading meteorologist recently interviewed by IPS, the rainmaking device of cloud-seeding is most effective in the Pacific Northwest during the winter months. This technique increases snowfall, ensuring spring-thaw floods from the mountain ranges. The meteorologist added that the Canadian mountain snowcap was unusually thick this year. Bernard Powers, president of the corporation, recently charged the U.S. military with withholding the use of rainmaking devices while millions die of drought and famine in the Sahel areas of Africa.

Natural disasters are in the interests of the Rockefeller faction to create conditions requiring military intervention.

In both Canada and the U.S. special squads of the armed forces have been trained to handle population control under the excuse of emergency "crisis management." Crises have been defined to include strikes, floods, oil slicks, etc. Rockefeller interests have accordingly set off the most obvious crises in Canada and the U.S. in the last few weeks as the excuse for troop practice experiences. On April 17 the Great Lakes oil tanker Imperiale Sarnia, owned by the Rockefeller Canadian Imperial Oil Company, ran aground while negotiating the St. Lawrence Seatway channel without a pilot, leaking damaging oil slicks. Coast Guard forces from both Canada and the U.S. (as far away as North Carolina) were called in. When a frogman was sent in to investigate the actual causes of the accident, he was reported "mysteriously" drowned.