

# *bend with the wind*

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Guidance Of Dependents And Other Civilians  
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and  
THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

**I**N the long ago the oak tree was heard to jeer at the bamboo . . . "You, O Bamboo," the sturdy oak was heard to say, "acknowledge yourself the servant of the least breeze which blows . . ."

"I do not acknowledge the wind as my master," said the largest of the three tall and tapering bamboos . . .

"It is in the nature of the bamboo to be supple, as it is in the nature of the oak to be rigid . . . If I were to imitate your stiffness my roots would be torn from the ground . . . Each of us to his nature . . ."

Then came the Great Typhoon . . . Most of the people who lived in the village lashed themselves to the stoutest oaks in the grove . . . Tomo Fureno led his family to the bamboos which grew in the swamp, and with strong ropes lashed his family and himself to the bases of the bamboo.

The wind howled and screamed. No one expected to see the morning's sun . . .

When dawn broke the Fureno family was safe . . . There were gaping holes in the ground where the oak trees had stood.

From "The Three Bamboos"

by  
Robert Standish

The Orient is an ever-changing panorama of rugged, volcanic islands and gentle landscapes. Yet many of its natural features become suddenly violent. Earthquakes, typhoons, windstorms, floods and tidal waves have been felt at various times. Fires too are a hazard.

The Oriental people long ago learned to bend with the wind, give with the earthquake, take upheavals of nature in their stride.

To us Americans, less used to such things, such an attitude is strange.

But we all know we should be prepared.

Our crystal ball doesn't say any of these things is going to happen.

It's just that we got to thinking: "If there were a crisis like that, all the men would be on duty!

"What about the wives and children?"

So we formed an organization whose duty it was to set up plans



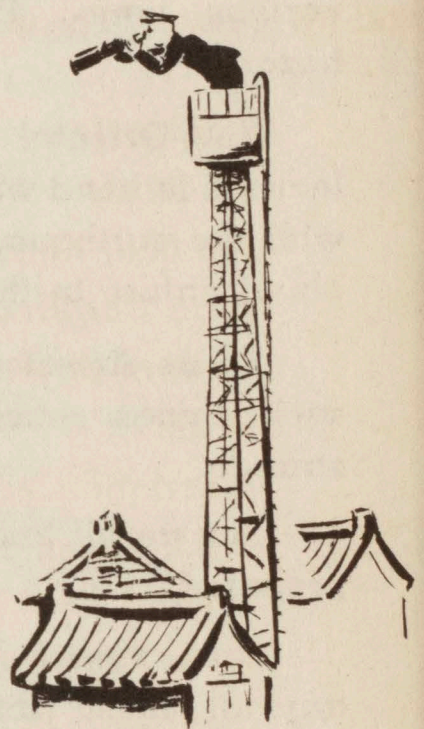
which could be used in any and all possible situations.

Most important of the plans was to take care of wives and mothers and children if they had to move somewhere in a hurry.

This booklet was prepared to let you know the best thing to do if some emergency occurs and your husband will be too busy at his job to help you.

In the event of some kind of emergency, you can use this booklet as a folder for those papers you will want to carry with you. It has been designed to fit the average lady's handbag.

The organization? Don't worry about it . . . let us do the worrying for you. We are ready to swing into action whenever it should be necessary.



Here's where you come in.

There are just a few things that everyone should do now. Such things as **PERSONAL PAPERS . . .**

Always keep your important papers together, readily available, and up-to-date. For instance:

*Passports*

*ID Cards*

*Medical Records*

*Birth Certificates*

*Powers of Attorney*

*Wills*

*Marriage Certificates*

*Bank Books and  
Bond Receipts*

*Auto Registrations*

*Insurance Policies*



Also keep an up-to-date inventory of all your personal property and household goods with appraised values. This will help you in placing claims for losses. Make a copy of the list and keep it on file, preferably at your permanent home address, as a double check.



Make tags now for all hand  
bags and luggage.

Like this . . .

◎	Mrs Mary Jones	Wife of: Sgt John Jones, RA1234567
	14 Clark Street	Transportation Section
	Tilton, Iowa	Camp Blank, APO 000

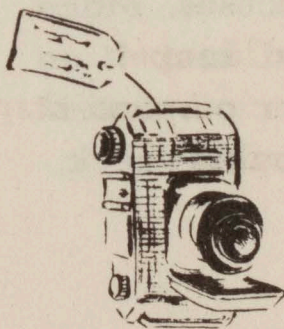
or

◎	Mrs Mary Jones	Wife of: Mr John Jones, DAC
	14 Clark Street	Transportation Section
	Tilton, Iowa	Camp Blank, APO 000

or, no sponsor?

◎	Miss Mary Jones, DAC	Transportation Section
	14 Clark Street	Camp Blank, APO 000
	Tilton, Iowa	

Tag things like purses and  
cameras the same way.



## CLOTHING

Just this once, don't pay any attention to how you might look. Select clothing for both yourself and the kids that will be comfortable and durable. Slacks, tweeds, "sensible" shoes should be the rule. Even if it's warm weather, plan to carry a warm coat and a raincoat.

Carry several changes of underwear for the children, and you'll need fewer outer clothes for them.

Certain items would be a must in your stand-by kit. Items like:

*All normal toilet articles*

*Bottles and nipples*

*Toilet tissue*

*A small first-aid kit*

*A flashlight*

*Cigarettes and lighter or matches*

*A sewing kit*

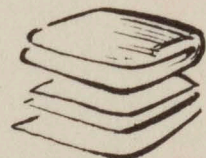
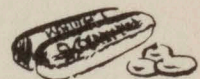
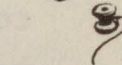
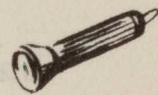
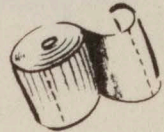
*A pocket knife*

*Candy bars and hard candy*

For babies and small children:

*Baby blanket*

*Both cloth and disposable diapers*

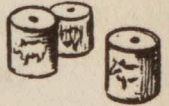


*A 48-hour supply of baby  
food*

*A small thermos bottle  
of water*

*Talcum powder*

*A small toy for each  
small child*



## MONEY

It might be the root of all evil,  
but you'll need some anyway.  
Take at least fifty dollars cash.  
Probably a good idea to have both  
scrip and local currency, mostly  
scrip.

Don't count on being able to  
cash checks, but bring your book  
just in case.



## HOUSEHOLD GOODS

YOU  
CAN'T  
CARRY IT  
SO....

Naturally, your furniture, your carefully accumulated Oriental souvenirs, your fine rugs, all these are precious to you. We've thought of them too. But let's face it. You can't take them with you if you have to move suddenly. What you can do is to make sure that you have that inventory all ready that we've previously suggested. After your personal safety is assured, our plans call for every effort to preserve your household belongings. Security, packing, crating and moving will be carried out to the very best of our ability.



## AUTOMOBILES

WE'RE  
USED  
TO BIG  
MOTOR  
POOLS

Make a tag for your car and put it permanently in the glove compartment.

Like this:

Buick, 1950 Special Sedan	
Engine No.	
Reg. No.	Owner: 1st Lt.
Joseph X. Roberts, 043685,	779 Ord
Serv. Co., APO 456	Home Address:
216 N. Magnolia Ave., Rochester, N.Y.	



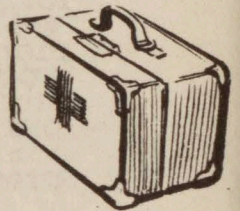
In the event of an emergency, you will be advised what to do about the car. The plan is to gather them all in a safe, central location. Again, the Army will do

its best to protect your car and return it to you as soon as possible.

## MEDICAL TREATMENT

THE  
MEDICS  
KNOW  
THEIR  
BUSINESS

If there's one thing our Medics are the world's best at doing, it's taking care of people in times of stress. Emergencies just don't floor them. They know what to do and you can depend on their providing you with the best possible medical care in case of trouble. They'll especially watch out for bed-ridden and crippled folks . . . and for expectant mamas, if they're far enough along to need special care. You can help them help you . . . . remember to keep current your immunization record.



## FOOD AND SHELTER

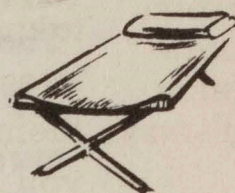
CHOW  
FOR  
EVERY-  
BODY  
AND A  
PLACE  
TO SLEEP

Our food stocks are in fine shape. We always keep them that way. We've been feeding large numbers of people under so many different circumstances for so long that we think we know all the answers. Getting you and your family fed in case of displacement is in the forefront of our emergency planning. And so is providing shel-



ter for you. It may not always be possible to provide arrangements for family groups, and you may have to go dormitory style in some cases.

Emergency billeting areas and processing centers will be provided as the situation dictates. Included in evacuation plans are provisions for travel expenses, pay and allotments, processing of mail and other personal services. Your local commander will keep you informed of such details.



## IDENTIFICATION FOR KIDDIES

You know little Johnny's habit of wandering off in crowds. Remember the scare he gave you in the main PX last Christmastime? In case you are on the move and he does it again . . . or in case you lose Shirley because you think she's with Aunt Sara, when she isn't, wouldn't you feel better knowing the little moppets were positively identified? Of course you would. So prepare a *waterproof* and *tearproof* tag for each of them.



VI IN CASE  
HT THE TOTS  
ED GET LOST

### Like this:

	Name: John M. Randolph Age: 5
◎	Parents: SFC and Mrs. Charles Randolph 177th Gen. Hospital, APO 444

### Then:

Plan how you are going to be sure that it stays on Johnny. Sewn on? Firmly pinned? Some other way?

## NATIVE SERVANTS

**SORRY,  
BUT NO  
MAIDS OR  
HOUSE-  
BOYS**

The plans we're discussing apply to United States Forces personnel only. Much as many of you have grown fond of some of the Orientals who have been with us for a long time, any attempt to include them in a movement would greatly complicate matters. Anyway, the Orientals are old hands at meeting disasters, and have emergency plans for their own population.



## PETS

We've thought hard about this one. We know it could be tough to say "so long" to old Bozo. But, if we are going to insure the best

WE'LL  
GIVE  
YOUR  
PETS  
THE BEST  
WE CAN

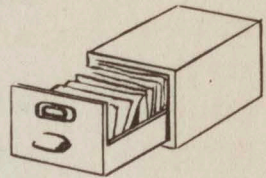
care and safety for dependents, we just can't have all kinds of pets along. You can understand the many reasons why. However, we will set up compounds where they can be left and where they will receive the best treatment we can provide for them. Under some emergency conditions, however, it may not be possible to evacuate your pet.



## RECORDS

RED TAPE  
BUT NEC-  
ESSARY

We have to have them. Your local housing area commander will ask you to fill out a rather complete form. It is important that you give him complete and accurate data. And it is very important that you inform him of any change in quarters numbers, telephone numbers, *persons in the family*, sale or acquisition of an automobile, and the like. It is from these cards that our planning data are made up.



## BAGGAGE

For planning purposes, and in the event movement from one area to another is to be made by ship, the following baggage allowances are authorized: Children under 12 are allowed 1 piece of cabin baggage; adults are allowed 2 pieces

of cabin baggage. If travel is by air this baggage allowance is restricted to 65 pounds for children under 12, and 100 pounds for adult dependents. In addition, adults are allowed 350 pounds per individual for hold baggage, and children under 12 are allowed 175 pounds.

## WARNINGS

Timely warnings of typhoon conditions or high winds will be disseminated usually in time to allow for preparation. If weather predictions say the storm will be severe, but not severe enough to warrant evacuation, there are other steps you can take.

If predictions say it will strike within 48 hours, survey your food supply, and stock up enough for a period of four days.

If it is predicted within 24 hours, bring indoors such things as garbage cans, flower pots, lawn furniture, clothes and toys. Don't let children stray far from home, and in case of high winds keep them indoors. Check your supply of emergency items such as candles, flashlights and lamps.

If it is predicted within 12 hours, fill all available containers with potable water. Close and

secure all doors and windows, draw the blinds and remain indoors.

## FIRE

Fires often follow or accompany other kinds of disasters. Familiarize yourself with the fire regulations for your particular location and observe them. Never go off and leave a space heater unattended while it is in operation. Never use water to extinguish a fire involving electrical appliances . . . you may get a bad electrical shock.

## EARTHQUAKES

In case of an earthquake, leave the building if possible. If you are unable to readily leave the building, take shelter under the nearest archway, desk, table or similar type furniture.

## CROWDS

Disasters have occurred when gatherings have become unruly and people have become panicky. Avoid, if possible, areas in which large crowds are expected to gather. If you do get in the vicinity of a large crowd, stay on the outer fringes to avoid being trampled if the crowd panics.

## TO PUT IT IN A NUTSHELL



We have a plan for times of disaster, and this little booklet is an attempt to assure you that you will be well taken care of.

If you will follow the suggestions we've made here, you will be doing a prudent thing and you and your family will be organized.

Then, if something should happen, remember:

a. Stay put until advised to move and keep the radio turned on to your local FEN station. Travel will be controlled, so avoid unnecessary trips.

b. Keep your telephone calls to the absolute minimum . . . thus assisting those who *must* use the telephones for emergency purposes.

c. Be a good soldier. Don't listen to rumors. Your coolness and cooperation are your best resources and can be a mighty help to others. Don't panic!!

Remember the bamboo. It survives many things because it is adaptable and can . . . .

### BEND WITH THE WIND

# MEMORANDA

## INSURANCE POLICY NOS.

Government Ins. \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Commercial Ins. \_\_\_\_\_ Company \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ " \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ " \_\_\_\_\_

Automobile Ins. \_\_\_\_\_ " \_\_\_\_\_

Other \_\_\_\_\_ " \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ " \_\_\_\_\_

IMPORTANT TELEPHONE NOS. \_\_\_\_\_ No. \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ No. \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ No. \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ No. \_\_\_\_\_

NEXT OF KIN Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

HUSBAND'S SERIAL NO. \_\_\_\_\_

AUTOMOBILE DATA Engine No. \_\_\_\_\_

Registration No. \_\_\_\_\_





"I do not acknowledge the  
wind as my master . . . ."

