

It is very sensible to arrange your own packaging of bulk purchased food, because the savings in costs could easily purchase 50% or even 100% more food. You must, however, make prior preparations to store it as soon as it arrives, or your saving could quickly turn into a loss. You must not purchase grain in paper sacks and then pile the sacks aside thinking that you can get away with no moisture or pest control.

If you leave newly purchased food grain and beans in paper sacks for even a few weeks after delivery, you are likely to find yourself racing against a population of newly discovered mice or insects to protect grain that has also accumulated moisture which may markedly shorten its storage life.

During the Vietnam War one scientist pointed out that starvation in India could be completely eliminated if the empty military oil drums in Vietnam were shipped to India with instructions to clean them out and store grain in them. At that time *half* of the food grain in India was being eaten by pests or rotting (being eaten by miniature pests), because it was not protected from moisture, insects, and rodents.

MOBILE SHELTER VIDEO TAPE

The Mobile Shelter video tape is completed.

It provides a detailed look at the mobile shelter that has been on display at the National Emergency Training Center during 1989 and 1990. This tape is a companion to the videotaped tour of the first steel shelter installed here when the **Fighting Chance** project was initiated.

These tapes are \$29.50 each. Until December 31, 1990, both tapes will be available to recipients of this newsletter for a combined price of \$39.50.

If you previously purchased the installed shelter tour tape, you may purchase the new mobile shelter tape for \$10.00.

MINIATURE SHELTER

Although many civil defense shelters have been built, most people have not made the substantial commitments of money and time required to provide proper civil defense shelters for their families. Those who have the book Nuclear War Survival Skills could construct some expedient protection.

Expedient shelters are, however, perishable. They are constructed of materials, including wood, which would be generally available in an emergency. Most shelters of this type become unsafe for occupancy within a few months after construction. Also, expedient shelters require significant time for construction and therefore might not be available in a very rapidly developing crisis.