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INDO-CHINA: NAVY AIDS EVACUATION.

French landing-craft come alongside the aircraft carrier H.M.S. Warrior, moored off Haiphong. On board are fourteen hundred refugees who are to be evacuated by the carrier from North to South Vietnam. Two-thirds of them are women and children. They carry with them with their few personal belongings. Many were driven from their homes when the enemy swept through Indo-China shortly before the truce.

With typical naval efficiency, arrangements are made to accommodate the refugees during the journey. As each Vietnamese comes aboard, he's given a thorough dusting with D.D.T. powder before and aft. Then they're carefully searched for hand grenades or other weapons. The ship's cooks provide two meals a day of rice and fish or meat. But they're soon in trouble, for the refugees and the Royal Navy have different ideas about how to cook rice. Once that's been sorted out, a new problem faces the crew - the stork decides to make three visits. But, thanks to the ship's doctors, that too is dealt with satisfactory. For a few days, H.M.S. Warrior's more like a school-playground, than a warship, but that's O.K. with the Navy.