

Says Congressman Bulwinkle

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gasoline. One ton of gasoline per hour is required to keep a flying fortress in the air.

Navy

One thousand eight hundred and ninety-six ships were launched in 1943. (1,238 were 16-knot plus Liberty ships), 719 new ships were launched during the first five months of 1944. The Navy is now the greatest Air and Sea striking power in the World. 1,600,000 tons of combatant ships completed in 1943. (This was three times the tonnage completed in 1942). Task Force No. 58 consisting of 22 big first line aircraft carriers capable of launching 1,000 planes. (It operates under protection of fast battleships, cruisers, and destroyers.) Most powerful battle unit ever to sail the seas.

In the battle of Manilla Bay, Dewey expended 73 tons of shells. At Tarawa, in 1943, Naval vessels fired 2,200 tons of shells and our aircraft dropped 500 tons of bombs.

More supplies were shipped to North Africa alone than were transported during the entire period of the last war to Europe. To move an Armored Division overseas it takes 15 plus Liberty Ships for equipment in addition to troop ships.

War Production

171,257 airplanes; 63,000 tanks; 1,894,000 machine guns; 9,556,000 rifles and carbines; 36,500 pieces of self-propelled artillery; 34,000,000,000 rounds of small arms ammunition; 593,000,000 rounds of artillery ammunition; 3,378 merchant ships; 760 combatant Naval ships; 28,286 subsidiary naval ships, including 23,867 landing craft; 1,718,248 military trucks; 83,000 armored automobiles.

Cost of War.

The war is costing about: \$1,800,000,000 per week; \$7,700,000,000 per month; 92,000,000,000 per year. (During the Civil War the cost to the Union Government for the entire period was about \$3,500,000,000).

Lend-Lease to Russia.

October 1, 1941 to May 1, 1944:
Ten thousand planes; 5,600

tanks and tank destroyers; 210,000 military trucks; 40,000 jeeps and 30,000 other military vehicles; 7,600,000 pairs army boots; 2,800,000 tons of food for the army; 249 locomotives and 414,000 tons of car wheels, track and other railway equipment.

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