WAR MADNESS

To me war is one of the most terrible and useless things the human race can engage in. Two nations whose populations love and cherish life, happiness and security are forced by their governments to try to destroy each other. They do their utmost to reach their goal first because their government has the power to legalize and make honorable murder in the first degree. To me there is no difference between shooting a man in peace time and war time even though a government does legalize it and make it an honor.

War is also one of the most wasteful things the human race ever devised. It not only is a tremendous waste of human life and human morals but also a gigantic waste of natural resources which nature put here for us to use and leave for our successors. Instead of doing so we use them to destroy our fellow men. We Americans must do our utmost to prevent such a catastrophe. From the human view any civilized person would abhor war.

- Donald L. Haines - '39