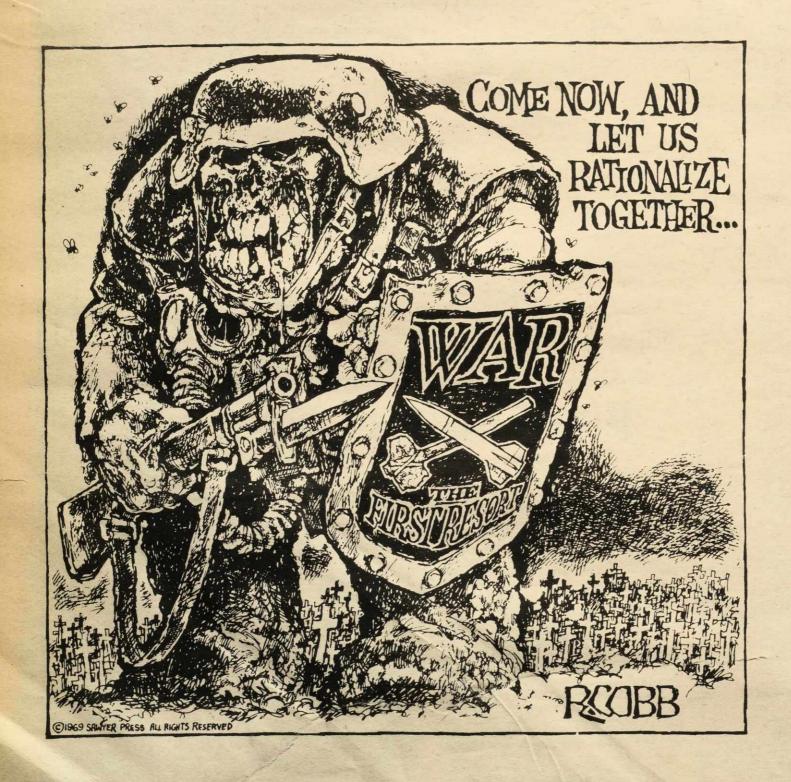
In the last 5,500 years, there have been 14,531 wars, for an average of 3.18 wars a year. In the last 20 years, the frequency has increased to 5.2 a year.



In the first world war, 95 percent of the fatal casualties were members of the armed forces. In the second world war, 56 percent were from the armed forces. In the Korean war, 88 percent of the fatal casualties were civilian. To date in Vietnam, 91 percent of the dead have been civilian.