

g. AR-15. This gun undoubtedly is one of the most dangerous ever devised. It is standard issue in Vietnam. It is said that there are no casualties shot with this gun. The reason is that the bullet, .223 caliber, a little larger than a 22 bullet, travels so fast that it explodes upon contact. A person shot in the arm with this gun will usually die of shock. Its deadliness cannot be emphasized enough, and thus its value as our main defensive weapon. With proper strategy, we have enough fire power with this gun to defeat any opposition excepting a major and fully equipped army. It is light to carry, rapid and accurate to fire, simple to use, and, unlike the 30.06 rifle, it has very little recoil. These guns are almost impossible to come by; we by good fortune have 50 of them, costing us \$11,143.01. The individuals carrying this gun will be hand-chosen and specially trained. They will be the Marines of the group. AF

These, then, are our basic guns. We have a total of 182 purchased from Dick; they cost us \$23,076.43 and they are paid for. The 22 magnums are also paid for, but as I said they were purchased retail, not from Dick. It may seem like a lot of guns, and it is, but the factors to weigh are the adequate security which they provide (and I honestly don't feel that this security would have been sound with less guns), and the fact that we have a few guns of each type that can be used in an emergency for parts.

Now with guns you have to have ammunition, and this is the next large expense. In evaluating these figures you must keep in mind the following: that any kind of fire-fight with an enemy of size and skill requires tremendous amounts of ammunition. The US Marines estimate 10 well-aimed rounds per minute per rifle. In such a situation we might well be using 60 rifles. That is 600 rounds per minute; 6,000 rounds for ten minutes—a brief skirmish—and 36,000 rounds per hour—pitched battle. Moreover, we have to consider that if times get bad enough to require us to use our guns, we may not be able to easily purchase more ammunition. What we have on hand may be it. And for how long?

Ammunition Purchased

- a. 30.06. Used in 30.06 rifle. 41,000 rounds. \$11,072.05
- b. 12-gauge shotgun shells, Duck, #4,5,6,7 $\frac{1}{2}$. 12-gauge shotgun. 2,500 rounds. \$412.06
- c. .38 Special. Used in 357 magnum pistol. 10,000 rounds. \$1,449.80
- d. 357 Magnum. Used in 357 magnum pistol. 266050 rounds. \$3,254.01
- e. 22 magnum. Used in 22 magnum pistol. 35,000 rounds. \$1,701.70
- f. 22 long rifle. ^{AR-1} 22 automatic pistols and personally owned 22 rifles of which we have several donated to OCC. 41,000 rounds. \$828.96
- g. .223. Used in AR-15's. 43,000 rounds. \$9,241.10

Total ammunition purchased, 198,550 rounds costing \$27,959.68. *

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in the amount of \$14,444.44 used in 357 magnum
22 bullet rounds #14711

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