

Many vessels built by Canada's 20,000 shipyard workers already are in service on the convoy routes or in patrol duty. A large number of corvettes and minesweepers have been launched and many more are on the ways for launching before June 1. Preliminary work is being carried out for the construction of twenty 9,300-ton merchant ships. The cargo ship program has been placed under the administration of a new Government-owned company, Wartime Merchant Shipping Limited. The remainder of the \$130,000,000 building program is under the supervision of the Department of Munitions and Supply.