Approach the evidence

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It is a cardinal error to approach the evidence in this case solely from the point of view of traditional techniques in legal interpretation. One can easily become lost by posing problems ??????? in legal sophistry which have little to do with the basic fundamentals which we must strive to reach here. We should not dissociate the acts of these defendants from the contemporaneous events of history of which they were part. The knowledge with which (their) they are to be charge and the motives with (we) which they acted can be ascertained only by keeping their actions in historical perspective in the setting and time in which the acts were done. Their activities ranged over a period of 12 years. An isolated piece of evidence, viewed as a single fact may not, of itself, impart criminality. But the whole pattern of action linked to events, acts, motives, programs, and plans.
in which these defendants participated may give the (acts) isolated acts a different meaning and may warrant inferences which would not otherwise be drawn from acts apparently innocent and customary of business men in the position of these defendants.

It goes without saying that we must avoid the error of constructing in retrospect a logical pattern consistent with criminality and thus impute motive, design and the guilty state of mind when none was present. But the error of impatience with the historical setting of acts must be avoided. One should not blindly close his eyes to inferences which may be clearly warranted by the subsequent acts as they unfold their meaning and give interpretation to the earlier acts. If the latter we have many illustrations in the record. --
Historically and as a matter of common knowledge we know that Hitler could not make war by himself. He had to have the cooperation of the productive forces necessary to carry out his schemes of world domination. (The diabolical atrocities) Unless military might were built and built hurriedly he could not achieve his aims.

Rearmament in violation of the Treaty of Versailles was a key plank in his party's platform and was never lost sight of as an essential element of his program.

Rearmament included not only ships, tanks and planes but self sufficiency in raw materials to make the construction possible first the construction of these essentials and second to insure their operation without interference from abroad when war came. Farben had the know-how to achieve the self-sufficiency that was required and they put this technical competency.
at the disposal of those who were building the (army and) military strength to make the subsequent aggression possible.