

every hour, every minute on every fighting front. The Guns are hungry in their demand. Ammunition is swallowed up on a scale never before imagined.

And the supply must never fail.

We on the home front are in honor bound to meet this challenge and keep feeding the guns on land, at sea, and in the air. Even an hour's let-up in our combined effort at home may mean a delay in the ultimate Victory of which we are assured. We must not let our boys down.

So let us not flag nor falter for a minute. Let us prove our will to win by a sustained all-out effort and help speed up Victory, by investing in Victory Bonds

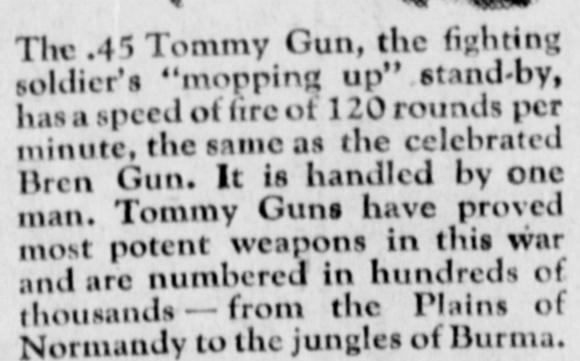


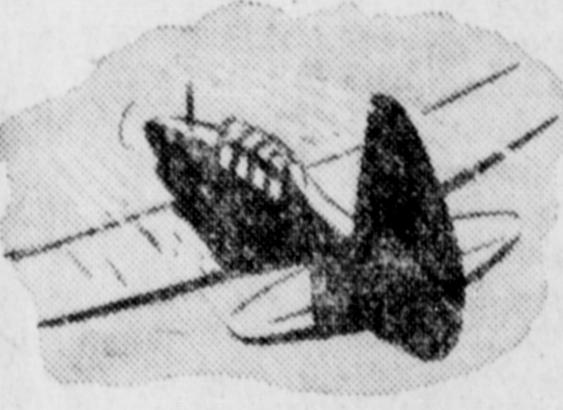
an example of the stupendous

ammunition depletion on every

fighting front.







The Browning .303, the fighting airman's favorite weapon, has the unbelievable speed of fire of 1150 rounds per minute! When the number of fighting planes constantly in action is considered, apart from other operational planes using this gun, the enormous expenditure of ammunition can well be understood.



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NATIONAL WAR FINANCE COMMITTEE

## AT SMITHERS

Delighted Residents of Interior Town This Week

SMITHERS, Oct. 28-The residents of Smithers and of the Bulkley Valley had the pleasure of listening on Thursday afternoon to the famous Canadian Women's Army Corps Pipe Band which arrived here on the noon train and gave a concert to the delight of all those who were privileged to

The band, in charge of Lt. N. D. Boothe of the C.W.A.C., was met at the station here by a number of the local people with their cars and they were taken to the Bulkley Hotel where a very fine dinner had been arranged for them by the ladies of the local Red Cross committee under Mrs. A. B. Washbern.

Thirty of the ladies of Smithers sat down to dinner with the members of the band and these were accompanied by Rev. N. H. Atkinson, who was chairman for the occasion, Major A. S. Parkes, recruiting officer from Prince Rupert, and Sgt. Smith, recruiting sergeant from Prince George.

Following the luncheon the Pipe Band formed up in front of the Bulkley Hotel, under their Pipe Major Lillian Grant, and marched down Main st. Counter-marching at the Bank corner they proceeded back up Main st. to the strains of "Scotland, the Brave," which thrilled all those who watched and listened to the martial music.

The parade was met at the square in front of the Government Office by Oswald Hoskins, chairman of village commissioners and officially welcomes to Smithers.

The band then played a concert of marches, these being interspersed by several short speeches in support of the Victory Loan and of recruiting. Those who spoke on these

Lieut. N. D. Boothe, L. H. Kenney and J. W. Turner. One of the largest crowds to gather in Smithers for several years was on hand to greet the popular pipers and to enjoy

matters were Major A. S. Parkes,

their music. Harvey Davies, proprietor of the Bulkley Hotel, had kindly donated the use of the necessary rooms to the band and they made their headquarters there during their stay here.

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us to realize what it has been like to fight a war for seven years, living in conditions such as many Chinese do. When the government made Chungking the capital it had a population of 300,000; now its population is about 1,000,000. So men and women of education and good background, such as government workers and educators, are living in mud huts with thatched roofs-sometimes two rooms for a family of six. When you live among them for a while, you marvel that they have been able to stick it out for more than seven years."

Price Index Soars

Questioned about inflation in China, Miss Lyon said that American housewives' cost-of-living problems pale into significance beside those of the Chinese housewife. In Chungking alone, she said, the price index for August was 441 times the prewar level. Miss Lyon continued:

"One of my friends, whose husband makes 3,000 Chinese dollars (about \$150 a month) told me that she had to spend \$2,400 a month for food in order to feed her family of six. She pays five Chinese dollars apiece for eggs, 25 cents. She gets rice from the government and buys only what food is necessary to make it tempting to the taste."

Miss Lyon, who was born in China of missionary parents, was graduated from Wellesley Colleger and served as a New York newspaperwoman before joining the Chinese News Service. On her, recent trip she flew to Changking and from there visited Chengtu, Kweilin, Kweiyang, Kunming and Chungking.

"Usually I went by plane and returned by bus," she said. "It took me 12 days to return to Chungking from Kweilin, which I reached in four hours by plane. There is generally about one passenger bus a day to these places, otherwise you ride the mail truck, if you can. We got our food from peddlers or wayside restaurants and slept in little mud-plaster hotels. The beds had boards covered with thin J pallets and pillows stuffed with rice. I carried my own sheets."