

# WASTE OF HEALTH IS A PERIL TO THE NATION

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The emphasis which has been put on health programs, athletics and open-air agitation has been entirely in the interest of happiness, economy and industrial efficiency. All of which is good and necessary but how often have we thought of it as a patriotic program and that preparedness in health was vastly more essential than preparedness in arms? It is "the man behind the gun" who makes or unmakes the value of the gun but if the man be narrow chested, anemic, weak of limb, defective of eye, the gun might almost as well never have been made. All the armaments in the world, the best that Krupp or Bethlehem Steel can turn out will never prevent one foe from landing on our soil if the man behind the gun is a degenerate. Not less so is it on the farms than at arms. In the industrial or agricultural crisis as well as the military we demand a manhood who will come forward and lay on the altar of their country their very best.

When one realizes that the requirements for our army are that a man shall be five feet four inches in height, weigh 125 pounds, have a chest mobility of only two inches, and be otherwise fairly sound, one is surprised to find how large a proportion of our young men of today are rejected. One is reminded that we are threatened with a deterioration which may imperil our very existence. May we not well say to the men of today: "The waste of your health may imperil not only your living but your liberty?"

And have we as a nation realized that our greatest asset was not our banks, or our factories, or our mines, or our farms, but our manhood? Have we been too busy making money so that we had no time for making men? May we not well now turn our attention to building up our walls at this point?

## SAYS SCHUPP IS GREATEST PITCHER OF RECENT YEARS

Veteran Athletic Hurter Praises the Remarkable Control of the Giant Southpaw.

Andy Conkley, the old Athletic pitcher, likes to sit in the press stand of the Polo grounds in New York, right back of the catcher.

Conkley occupied his favorite point of observation at a Giant-Cub clash.



Ferdinand Schupp.

He was particularly interested in the books and curves of Ferdinand Schupp, the Giant pitching pride. It mattered not that Schupp was hit a little harder than usual, although he beat the Cubs. Conkley was only interested in what Schupp was putting on the ball.

"That fellow," said Andy, "is some pitcher! I don't see how anyone bats against him effectively. He has the best curve ball I've ever looked at and I've looked at a few in my time."

"The most remarkable thing about it is his control of it. He sweeps it over the outer edge high or low, or on the inside, with as great ease as Matty need to. I never saw a southpaw pitch that way. The more stuff they have, the wilder they usually are."

"Schupp has wonderful poise. He never lets the batter work him. He keeps the upper hand all the time. Unless you sit here and watch every ball he throws you cannot appreciate the wonder of his work."

"He sat around on the bench a long time, but it didn't do him any harm. This is really his first year as a regular, but he knows all the tricks of a veteran of half a dozen years of twirling."

"I don't want to seem extravagant in my praise, but if there has ever been Schupp's equal in recent years he has escaped my notice. I wouldn't give him for any pitcher in baseball today if he were my property."

## "Business as Usual" for Toy-Shop Keeper of Arras.

The merchant in the town which is beset by war has a very definite last moment of peace. There comes a time when he has made his last sale, when his customers flee, and when, even were he to remain, he would find little benefit in doing so. Into the toy-shop, into the sweet-shop, the children will come no more, for their little feet are struggling miles away over those uncomfortably rounded cobblestones that seem to them like slippery little mountains over which they must make giant strides. He might as well get his last moment over with as quickly as possible, put up the shutters, lock the doors and depart. And little good his shutters and locks will do if the big shells come his way, says W. S. Shepherd, in Harper's Magazine.

The toy-shop keeper at Arras, who returned to his shop when the shelling had slackened, found it open to the skies, so that he had to need to seek for his dog key. Who would ever have thought—least of all, he—that he would one day sell out almost his en-

## Longing.

Sometimes I wish that I could go Along the paths I used to know, Could go back there and find some kid And go along the roads I did, When I had not a single care, And all life's sides were bright and fair, And birds sang in the wayside trees, And all the world seemed made for me.

That's what I think I'd love to do! Go find a little kid I knew, Away back there, and we would go Where water lilies used to grow, And bend a pin and fix a line, Me and this old-time chum of mine, And sit until the light grew dim Where little sunfish used to swim.

Those were the days when bullheads bit, And sunfish—why, life seemed to fit, 'Tis like a garment, and we slid, Myself and that remembered kid, From one joy to another. So, Sometimes, I wish that I might go And look about and find that tad And be with him once more, and glad. —Judd Mortimer Lewis, in the Houston Post.

## Jack Rabbits Which Live on Deserts of Southwest Are Never Known to Drink.

A very curious feature of animal life in the deserts of the Southwest is that rabbits, quail, squirrels, deer, antelope, the mountain sheep and many kinds of reptiles and insects live at great distances from visible water. The Jack rabbit is especially notable in this respect; and, moreover, it flourishes in regions without a particle of green food in sight for miles and miles.

Westerners assert that the Jack rabbit may be found, happy and fat, spending the day under a scrap of lush that makes little more shade than a fishnet. His skin is as porous as a piece of buckskin, and the heat is sufficient to evaporate every drop of blood in his body, yet he seems to get on very nicely.

Californians aver that no one has ever seen a Jack rabbit drink. Those who have camped for days in the deserts in vicinities where the only water for miles around was to be found, and with rabbits everywhere, declare that never does one of the little fellows come to the springs to drink. Men have even gone so far as to examine the margins of waterholes in those districts, with never a track of the rabbit disclosed beyond where the grass grew.

## Some Observations.

Little things trouble us and little things console us. Only a fool will pay twice for the same experience.

When a man becomes thoroughly contented he has outlived his usefulness.

It is easier for the borrowed umbrella to keep lent than it is for the average man.

The hardest thing in this world for a dead game sport to do is not to tell you about it.

Many a fool, after putting his foot in it, isn't satisfied until he gets there with both feet.

Marriageable couples are fond of star gazing because they are properly equipped for it.

When a candidate places himself in the hands of his friends they massage his pocketbook freely.

Now and then you will find that the shyest girl gets tangled up in the boldest love affair.

If women were unable to see the fine clothes other women wear they would have fewer wrinkles.

When you pick up a pretty girl's handkerchief it is permissible to wonder how she came to drop it.

When a married man walks into a public place looking mad enough to bite a nail in two, and growls to those who speak to him, old maids who happen to be present shake hands with themselves. They have nothing like that coming home noon and evenings.

## Flashlights.

Nobody ever made a real success of the other fellow's business.

It's human nature to go to some well safe to study human nature, where everything except what is real human nature can be found.

A virtue that is boasted of is usually a very new possession. A man can live down a vicious past, but a fellow is a fool to handicap himself to that extent.

No man is strong enough to carry a grudge and do justice to himself, too.

Being a good fellow downtown is all right enough in its way, but save a little of your good nature for use when you get home.

A woman never understands why a lot of other women's husbands can make fortunes out of stocks and mines and real estate and her husband can't even get a raise in salary.

## When He Volunteers.

The Minister—Trust in God and make your powder fly.

His Doting Mother—I wonder how long before he'll be a general!

His Militant Father—Bully for him!

His Pacifist Uncle—Dear me! Dear, dear me!

His Proud Aunt—He gets his brave spirit from our side of the family.

His Little Brother—Gee! I wish I could go.

His Little Sister—I wish I had a dress like that uniform.

His Chum—I hope he pays me that five bucks before he goes.

His Best Girl—Isn't he grand!

His Girl's Chum—Oh, you must give me a military button for my collection.

Their Next Door Neighbor—I suppose they'll be more stuck up than ever now.

Drill Sergeant—Oh, Gawd!—James Gabelle, in Life.



## GOOD JOKES

How She Felt. Mrs. Higgins—And so you have secured your divorce, I hear? Mrs. Higgins—Yes, I'm glad to say that I have. Mrs. Higgins—How did you feel when you heard the judge's decision? Mrs. Higgins—Well, I felt sort of unmanned, as it were.

How Could He Tell? Head of Firm—How long do you want to be away on your wedding trip? Hawkins (timidly)—Well, sir—er—what would you say? Head of Firm—How do I know? I haven't seen the bride.

Easily Detected. "Smith could never misrepresent his goods, for such a trick could be easily seen through."

"What kinds of goods does he sell?" "Window glass."

On the Safe Side. Many years ago, says Surgeon Guthrie in "Seeing the World Through a Port-hole," a group of children were listening with great interest to the "yarns" of an old sailor, who seemed to them a miracle of knowledge.

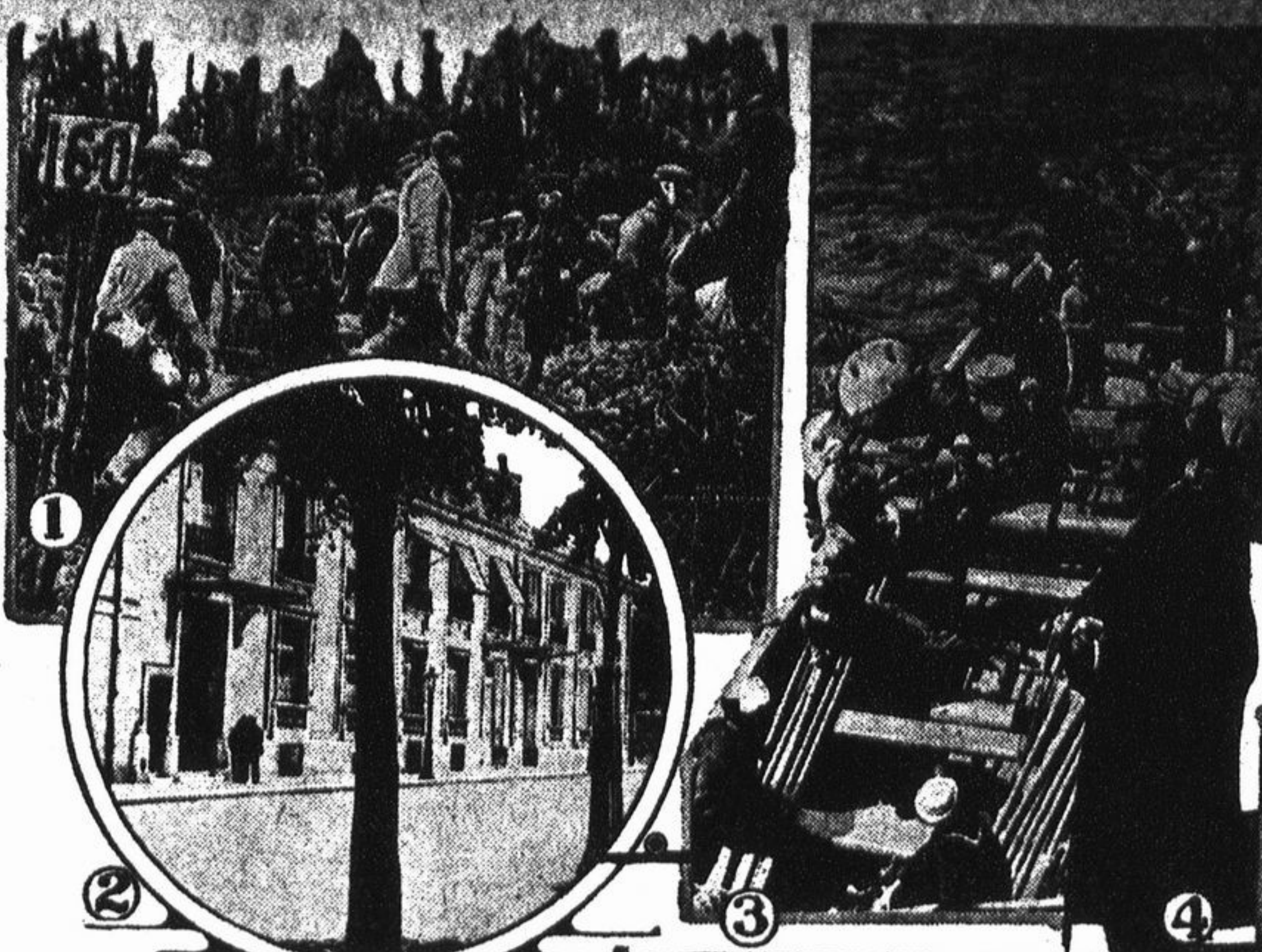
"In crossing the equator you either gain or lose a day," the story-teller declared.

One of the children appeared to him somewhat incredulous, whereupon the old man cleared his throat and added, "That is to say—sometimes."

Another old sailor yarn was being tried by court-martial had been so impressed with the instructions of the young officer detailed for his defense that he be extremely careful about qualifying evidence when he was not absolutely certain, said, when the judge advocate asked his name:

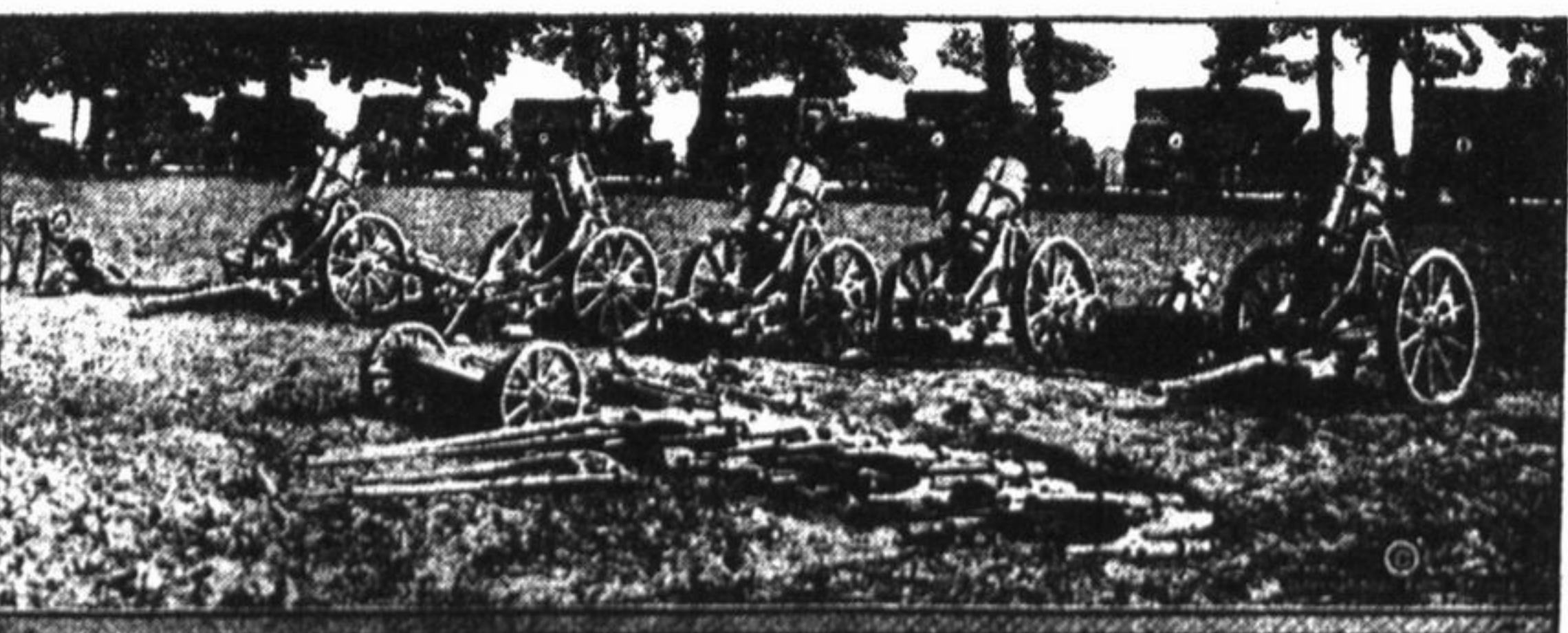
"My name is John McGraw—or words to that effect."

Life is so short that the most surprising thing in the world is that some people want to kill time.



1—British soldiers counting German prisoners taken in a battle near Beaumont Hamel. 2—General Pershing's headquarters in Paris, in the Place des Invalides. 3—American bluejackets out at mine-laying practice. 4—Minister of War Kerensky, the hero of the hour in Russia.

## TRENCH MORTARS CAPTURED BY THE FRENCH



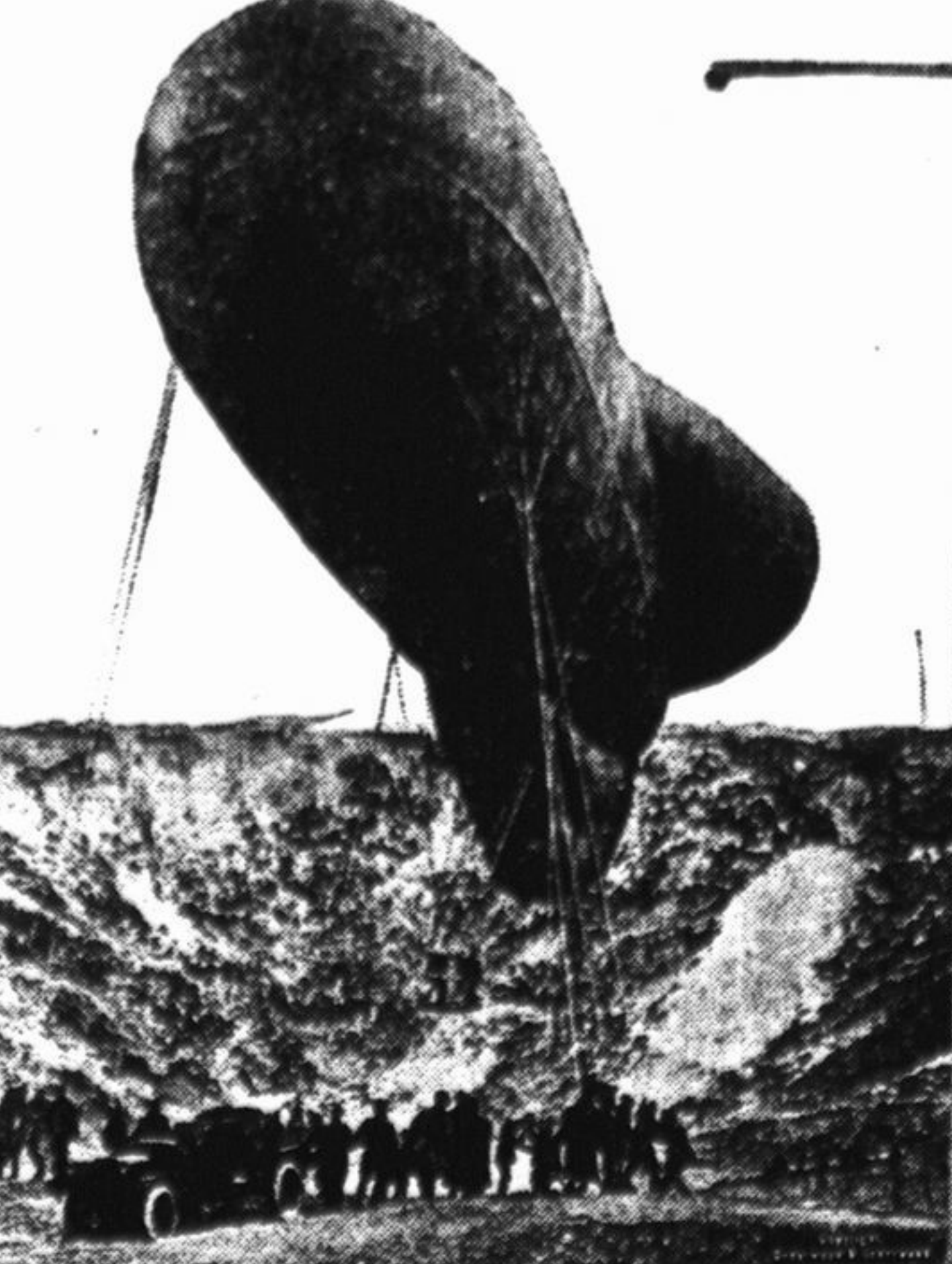
Line of German trench mortars captured by the French in the Alsace district.

## ONE OF OUR GREAT NAVAL BASES



Interesting view of the United States navy yard at Norfolk, Va.

## MINE CRATER HIDES SAUSAGE BALLOON



A "sausage balloon," much used by the French for observation purposes, is shown here in an immense mine crater, about to rise with observers. There are many such craters in the territory where the British blew nine miles of German trenches into the air.

## HONOR CARDS FOR HOUSES



This new card has appeared recently on many houses throughout the United States, and signifies that a real true American has left his home to take his place in the ranks of Uncle Sam's marines. The placard reads "A Man From This House Is Fighting in France With the United States Marines." It is printed on a fac-simile of the French tri-color, the bars red, white and blue.

Perfectly Grand. "What is a grand jury?" "One that gives a verdict in your favor."

Important Duty. "An old-fashioned woman, you say?" "Decidedly. She won't trust a nurse to wash her children's ears."

Weights and Measures. Municipal departments of weights and measures may obtain on request from the United States bureau of standards in Washington material for drafting ordinances relating to weights and measures and suggestions as to methods of operation.

A Sound Mistake. "Are the submarines wooden vessels?" "Of course not; what makes you ask that?" "Then how can they be you better try?"

## REAL BARGAIN

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FOR SALE

6-room house, hot water heat, large lot, \$12,000.

5-room cottage, large lot, \$8,000.

6-room house, modern, \$10,000.

8-room house, modern, \$15,000.

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2 acres well fenced, 6-room house, best of condition, chicken house, near village limits. Price \$4,500.

3/4 acres with 6-room house, fruit trees, extra large chicken house, all electric, fruit, deep well, gas, about 15 minutes walk to station. Price \$4,000.

1/4 acre 6-room house, garage, chicken house, fruit trees, about 15 minutes from village limits. A bargain for \$3,500.

If you are interested in acre property let me know as I have at present several acre tracts for sale. Prices from \$200 to \$500 an acre. All situated in village limits.

A real bargain in a 6-room house, on house, some fruit trees, deep well, lot 60x120, about 15 blocks from village limits. Only \$300. Make offer.

6-room house, hot water heat, bath, laundry, \$2000. Chicken house, fruit. A bargain for \$2,000. Make offer.

6-room house, all modern, lots 100x150, about 15 blocks from village limits, at once, reasonable terms. Make offer.

New 6-room house with cement basement, laundry, furnace heat, tile floors, hardwood, extra large front porch, also sleeping porch, large shade trees, large lot, \$10,000. A bargain for \$8,000. Better have me show you this property.

If you are looking for a good lot for your house, let me show you one. I have a lot 100x150, about 15 blocks from village limits, at once, reasonable terms. Make offer.

6-room cottage with stone foundation, cement basement, electric light, water, gas, also small barn. This property is in good condition and is a bargain for \$4,000.

6-room house, with steam heat, cement basement, bath, with two fifty-foot lots, paved street best neighborhood. Price \$1,500.

If you are looking for a cheap lot on south side let me hear from you.

7-room house, hardwood floors, stairs, water, gas and bath, large lot, fruit trees, chicken house. Price \$1,500.

6-room new bungalow, modern, on paved street, easy terms. Price \$2,500.

6-room bungalow, water and gas, about 4 blocks from station. Price \$2,500.

30-ft. lot east front, good location, paved street. Price \$400.

6-room new stone house on paved street, cement basement, furnace heat, laundry, large living room, wood, oak trim, bath, sleeping porch, garage, station, gas, neighborhood. A bargain of \$1,500. Terms.

6-room house, hot water heat, all modern, best part of north side. \$2,500.

Don't forget to have your house inspected by a fire insurance agent. If you have a fire, the cost is so small. Phone 266-A.

10x12 ft. east front lot, just outside village limits, good location. Price \$200.

7-room house, cement basement, furnace heat, laundry, bath, electric light, large lot. Price \$2,500.

6-room house on Maple ave, cement basement, furnace heat, bath, lot 100x150. Price \$2,500.

7-room house on large lot, hot water heat, in good repair, all improvements, best of neighborhood, only two blocks from station. Price \$2,750.

6-room house, steam heat, cement basement, bath, A1 condition, lot 100x150. This property is only several years old. Price \$4,000.

6-room bungalow, new all modern, good location, lot 100x150. Price \$2,500.

6-room house, water and gas, chicken house, some fruit, near station. Price easy terms; price \$1,000.

7-room house, steam heat, bath, hardwood floors downstairs, lot 100x150. Price \$2,500, terms.

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