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CARLOAD MOON BROS. BUGGIES, PHEATONS AND SURRIES just placed on exhibition at our store

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GERMAN ARTILLERY IS HAMMERING BETWEEN YPRES AND ARRAS NOW

By United Press. PARIS, Dec. 2.—Between Ypres and Arras, the heaviest German artillery is hammering away at the allied line. Never in the history of the Battle of Flanders has there been such an incessant fire of the heaviest German siege guns, as in now taking place along this narrow strip. It is rumored in Paris this morning that the Crown Prince, Frederick Wilhelm, may be given supreme command of the German army of the west, so effectively, it is claimed he has handled the German forces in Northern France. In all probability, if the Crown Prince is given supreme command of the western army, when the Kaiser will remain in the east directing the maneuvers of the German forces in Russian Poland.

Denies that King George Returns to His Country

By United Press. PARIS, Dec. 2.—President Poincaré of France and General Joffre visited King George of England yesterday at General French's headquarters on the battle field of Flanders, says an official announcement made today. It was denied that King George has returned to England.

WILL TRADE FRUIT TREES FOR MAIZE

Secretary Boler of the Y. M. B. L. is in receipt of a letter from a prominent Texas nursery, in which the nursery submits a proposition to trade its stock for Runnels county feed—maize and feterita. The nurseryman does not go in to detail in his letter, but states that the fact that Runnels county had produced a large feed crop had been called to their attention and that if the farmers who were in the market for trees desired to trade this feed for trees that such a deal could be handled by the farmers pooling together and ordering what trees each wanted and giving in exchange sufficient feed to cover the bill, in this way making up a car of feed which the nursery agrees to pay \$15 per ton delivered at Wahahachie. We do not know what the demand here for nursery stock amounts to, but in view of the fact that the seasons have been so propitious it is certainly a splendid time to start an orchard. And also in view of the fact that feed is plentiful, it is an offer that the farmers might profit by if a sufficient number of them desired to buy trees, or shrubbery of any character. Those who wish to investigate or who would change a few bushels of maize for a shipment of trees, should communicate with Mr. Boler, in order that he might get an idea as to whether there is a probability of such a deal being worked up.

SHOOT HIS FRIEND BY MISTAKE TODAY

By United Press. ATLANTA, Dec. 2.—W. B. Carhart shot and killed James P. Callaway in the former's home early today. Carhart claims that he thought Callaway was a burglar entering his home in the dead hours of the night and that he did not know he was shooting at Callaway. Both were prominent citizens of this city. They had been friends for a lengthy period.

THIEVES WORKING OVER TIME

Three valuable horses within a many nights have been stolen in South Ballinger, and the epidemic of the dirty work is giving the officers something to do. On Sunday night W. H. Secrest lost his valuable horse. It was at first supposed that the horse had in some way gotten out of the lot but upon investigation it soon developed that the horse had been stolen. The same misfortune occurred to J. W. Pipkin Monday night when a fine mare was stolen. The mare was never known to have gone away from the pasture, even if she had been let out of the lot. It was found where the wire fence had been torn down and the mare lead over the fence. Tuesday night the thief, or thieves visited the home of Ed M. Eubanks and got away with his family buggy horse. All of the above parties live near each other in South Ballinger and the nerve of the thieves operating so boldly is remarkable. The officers have the wires at work, and are doing everything possible to get a clue upon which they can take up the trail and locate the guilty parties, but up to a late hour this afternoon they had failed to find any evidence.

"Win Big Battle by Christmas" is Cry in England

By United Press. LONDON, Dec. 2.—The popular cry in London today is: "Win a great victory by Christmas, land or sea." The people of England are almost demanding that a victory of importance be gained before Christmas Day. The battle in the West is becoming tiresome. The reports sent from that section are about the same, and have been for some time. Neither side seems to have gained any points, either strategic or otherwise.

Villa to March on Vera Cruz With Zapata

By United Press. EL PASO, Dec. 2.—General Carranza's troops cut the railroad between San Luis Potosi and Queretaro, according to dispatches received here today. It is declared that the object of the cutting of the line was to manae Gutierrez at Queretaro. General Villa and Zapata are preparing today to march against General Carranza at Vera Cruz according to messages received here from the interior today. The march will be made immediately. Efforts are being made by the two rebel chieftains to get control of the two gunboats in the harbor of Vera which are under the control of Carranza. Guy Adkins left Wednesday afternoon for San Angelo on a short business trip.

Anti-German Riots in Chile

By United Press. SANTIAGO, Chile, Dec. 2.—Anti-German riots have been reported in Valparaise today. Large crowds, say the reports have stormed the German consulate in the Cilena seaport, wounding several persons, before order could be restored. The demonstration in Valparaise followed the announcement that the fares on street railways, owned by Germans, would be increased. The alleged violations of Chile's neutrality by German warships have caused bad feelings to exist between the Chileans and the Germans. While running early today, the street cars were stoned and forced in many instances to discontinue use. A number of German buildings were attacked by the mob which surged around them.

Supreme Court Says Commission Has Authority

By United Press. AUSTIN, Dec. 2.—The Texas supreme court today confirmed the railroad commission's authority to order the railroads of Texas to use union depots.

Weather Forecast.

Unsettled tonight and Thursday, colder tonight, warmer Thursday.

ROBS TELEPHONE EXCHANGE OF \$15

By United Press. DALLAS, Dec. 2.—With a handkerchief over his face and a revolver in his hands, a young white man early today robbed the Automatic Telephone Exchange of \$15.

FIRST BAPTIST BAZAAR.

The First Baptist church ladies will open their bazaar Thursday morning at 9 o'clock in the building on Eighth street across from the Radford Grocery Co. Will serve coffee, tea with cake or sandwiches. Watch for the sign 1-2td

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Repulses for the German Attacks Is Declaration

By United Press. PARIS, Dec. 2.—According to advices received here this afternoon, the German attacks on the allies in the vicinity of Ypres have been repulsed. The allies are putting up a vigorous offensive toward Laon which is now held by the Germans. It was officially declared that at Craonne, a German battery was destroyed by the allied forces.

BIG MOB ATTACKS NEW YORK POLICE

By United Press. NEW YORK, Dec. 2.—The worst riot that has taken place in New York City within years was last night when a mob of 5,000 negroes attacked 150 policemen, following an attempt of a patrolman to arrest a drunken negro soldier in the negro section of the city. Scores of wounded negroes are today occupying beds in hospitals. Many leaders of the riot have been arrested.

FOR SALE—My two acre home in South Ballinger, 3-room house well, windmill, sheds, etc., price \$500.00, good terms. Write W. D. Black, Thorp Springs, or see E. E. Stark, Ballinger, Texas. 2-1d 104

WITH BLOOD FROZEN ON UNIFORMS, RUSSIANS IN FIERCEST BATTLE

BATTLES TAKING NORMAL COURSE

By United Press. BERLIN, Dec. 2.—The battles now being waged in Northern Poland are taking their normal course, says the official announcement of the war office today. In Southern Poland, the Russians were repulsed and the Germans have taken up new positions. Eighty thousand unwounded Russian prisoners have been taken by the Germans between November 11 and December 1, according to the official statement today.

German Position Favorable

By United Press. BERLIN, Dec. 2.—Chancellor Von Bethmann Hollweg today outlined to the Reichstag that Germany's position after twenty days is most favorable. Additional war credits also will be voted upon at the session of the Reichstag.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Spencer are rejoicing over the arrival of a sweet baby girl born to them Sunday night November 29th.

Mat McKinney, of the Crews country, was among the business visitors in Ballinger Wednesday.

Gov. Ammons before Industrial Body, Explains

By United Press. DENVER, Dec. 2.—Going into details in explaining the efforts made by Secretary of Labor Wilson and himself to settle the Colorado coal strike a year ago, Governor Ammons of Colorado today was the first witness before the United States Commission on Industrial Relations which is investigating here. The senate chamber was packed with interested spectators.

To Propose Arbitration

By United Press. INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 2.—The executive board of the miners decided today to appear before the special convention of Colorado miners at Denver next Monday and submit President Wilson's proposal for an arbitration commission.

Cotton Mills in Sweden Closed Account Scarcity

By United Press. WASHINGTON, Dec. 2.—Many cotton mills in Denmark and Sweden are closed because of the scarcity of raw material, according to consular reports received by the state department today.

JUDGE J. B. WADE SELLS HIS HOME PLACE

A deal was closed Wednesday in which H. M. Jones, of the Ballinger Printing Co., buys the Wade home on Eighth Street, consideration \$3250. Judge Wade and family are planning to leave Friday or Saturday for their new home at Fort Worth, and Mrs. and Mrs. Jones will get possession of the home as soon as it is vacated.

By United Press. PETROGRAD, Dec. 2.—The Russians fighting in Russian Poland were soaked with blood which froze on their uniforms after the bloodiest day's fighting of the present war on last Friday when the Siberian troops stormed the German trenches in the Lodz region. The weather in the eastern theatre of war is still interfering with the operations of the two immense armies hurled against each other. Today the Russians hold Plock in force. It was also announced this morning that the Germans cut their way out of the trap set by the Russians in the vicinity of Lodz and Lewicz, but in doing so their losses were heavy.

Perfecting Plans Business Men's Annual Banquet

The secretary and directors of the Young Men's Business League are busy getting things in shape for the Business Men's Banquet, December 11th has been selected as the date for holding the annual banquet, and the business men will be expected to assemble on that date at the Business League rooms.

The menu for the occasion will be in keeping with the price to be charged per plate. It is not known yet who will have charge of serving the menu, but different church auxiliaries are figuring on the proposition and this part of the program will be perfected within the next two or three days.

Those in charge of the work expect to bring together between 200 and 250 citizens, together with the ladies of those who wish to bring their lady, and the occasion will be handled in a way to make it the most successful get-together meeting held in Ballinger during the history of the business men's work.

Prominent visitors will be on the program for speeches, and a number of speeches will be made by local orators, and with other features of entertainment the evening will be made a pleasant one, as well as profitable for Ballinger's entire interest.

The work of the Y. M. B. L. has passed the experimental stage and the progressive citizens of the town realize that a live organization of this character is absolutely necessary, and must be maintained and it has been decided to make the organization permanent, and by the co-operation of the citizens Ballinger will soon reap a benefit that will repay many times the cost.

A question that is now brewing in the minds of every one, and one which must be worked out at an early date, is the good roads problem. The prevailing weather makes traveling out of the question, and when the rain ceases it will be many days before the farmers can get on the roads with anything like a load of produce for market. These matters will be taken up and hastily worked out after the coming together of the business men, their ladies and friends on the evening of December 11th.

Get ready to take your share of tickets, and occupy a conspicuous place at the festal board when the band of Ballinger boosters come to gether. By all means don't make yourself conspicuous by your absence.

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Everything for the ladies and children, opposite Princess Theatre; just opened, new goods. Miss Stella Cunningham. 28-6td

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JUST FOR ARGUMENT SAKE

The Ballinger Ledger slips the information to its readers that the state pure food inspector is on his way to that town.

In Ballinger we have no hogs roaming the streets to consume the waste from the grocery stores, and there has been such a demand for hands here during the crop gathering period that it has been quite a problem to keep the old town as clean as usual.

George Bailey of the Houston Post, has advocated that return trip rates be put on to Temple. Don't pay any attention to this, general passenger agents.

CHICHESTER'S PILLS advertisement with logo and text.

some took the tobogan route after they arrived here and have not been heard of since and neither did they return the way they came.

And, oh that bitter taste that will remain in the mouth so long. In the estimation of many of those visitors to Temple Banker Jim is not near the man that we had him figured out to be.

A marked improvement in business and credit conditions through out the country is already noticeable within the first ten days following the opening of the Federal Reserve banks.

We are glad to know that the interest rate has been reduced but that is a matter that is of little trouble. What we are longing for is something that will knock out this collateral complain so we can get all the money we want without having to mortgage our wife and children.

A TEXAS WONDER

The Texas Wonder cures kidney and bladder troubles, dissolves gravel, cures diabetes, weak and lame backs, rheumatism, and bladder in both men and women.

Miss Mary Peacheck and Miss Cervenka came in Tuesday from an extended visit to relatives at Austin, LaGrange and many other points in that section and after spending the night with her friend, Miss Cervenka returned to her home at Rowena Wednesday afternoon.

PLANTEN'S C & C OR BLACK CAPSULES advertisement.

E. B. Gamble of San Angelo was among the business visitors in Ballinger Tuesday looking after cotton business.

Cured of Liver Complaint: "I was suffering with liver complaint," says Iva Smith of Point Blank, Texas, "and decided to try a 25c box of Chamberlain's Tablets, and am happy to say that I am completely cured and can recommend them to every one."

A. S. Pape and family left this week for Plainview where they will make their future home. We regret to have this estimable family leave our county but wish them success and happiness in their new home.

Fit His Case Exactly: "When father was sick about six years ago he read an advertisement of Chamberlain's Tablets in the papers that fit his case exactly," writes Miss Margaret Campbell of Ft. Smith, Ark.

EUROPEAN WAR SHATTERS KING COTTON'S THRONE

FLEECY STAPLE MUST PAY RANSOM INTO THE COFFERS OF WAR.

Nation Rings With Cries of Stricken Industry.

By Peter Radford, Lecturer National Farmers' Union.

King Cotton has suffered more from the European war than any other agricultural product on the American continent. The shells of the belligerents have burst over his throne, frightening his subjects and shattering his markets.

People from every walk of life have contributed their mite toward rescue work. Society has danced before the king; milady has decreed that the family wardrobe shall contain only cotton goods; the press has plead with the public to "buy a bale"; bankers have been formulating holding plans; congress and legislative bodies have deliberated over relief measures; statesmen and writers have grown eloquent expounding the inalienable rights of "His Majesty" and presenting schemes for preserving the financial integrity of the stricken staple.

Hope of the Future Lies in Cooperation. The Farmers' Union, through the columns of the press, wants to thank the American people for the friendship, sympathy and assistance given the cotton farmer in the hour of distress and to direct attention to co-operative methods necessary to permanently assist the marketing of all farm products.

The present emergency presents as grave a situation as ever confronted the American farmer and from the viewpoint of the producer, would seem to justify extraordinary relief measures, even to the point of bending the constitution and straining business rules in order to lift a portion of the burden off the backs of the farmer, for unless something is done to check the invasion of the war forces upon the cotton fields, the pathway of the European pestilence on this continent will be strewn with mortgaged homes and famine and poverty will stalk over the southland, filling the highways of industry with refugees and the bankruptcy court with prisoners.

All calamities teach us lessons and the present crisis serves to illuminate the frailties of our marketing methods and the weakness of our credit system, and out of the financial anguish and travail of the cotton farmer will come a volume of discussion and a mass of suggestions and finally

solution of this, the biggest problem in the economic life of America, if, indeed, we have not already laid the foundation for at least temporary relief.

More Pharaohs Needed in Agriculture.

Farm products have no credit and perhaps can never have on a permanent and satisfactory basis unless we build warehouses, cold storage plants, elevators, etc., for without storage and credit facilities, the south is compelled to dump its crop on the market at harvest time.

would seem encouraging, but looking forward, we are able to house less than one-third of the crop and warehouses without a credit system lose 90 per cent of their usefulness. The problem is a gigantic one—too great for the farmer to solve unaided. He must have the assistance of the banker, the merchant and the government.

In production we have reached the high water mark of perfection in the world's history, but our marketing methods are most primitive. In the dawn of history we find agriculture plowing with a forked stick but with a system of warehouses under governmental supervision that made the Egyptians the marvel of civilization, for who has not admired the vision of Joseph and applauded the wisdom of Pharaoh for storing the surplus until demanded by the consumer, but in this age we have too many Josephs who dream and not enough Pharaohs who build.

How to Bankrupt the Doctors.

A prominent New York physician says "if it were not for the thin stockings and thin soled shoes worn by women the doctors would probably be bankrupt." When you contract a cold do not wait for it to develop into pneumonia but treat it at once.

PAID TO GET THE GOODS.

Consequently He Felt That They Were His by Right. A claim once made on the explorer Cameron in the neighborhood of Gaboon, Africa, shows the weirdly peculiar workings of the native African's mind. Some of Cameron's possessions proved unduly attractive to a native, and he determined on transferring the ownership to himself.

He went to Mr. Cameron and told him the story, demanding in the first place the \$200 which he (Cameron) by locking up his goods had compelled the complainant to lose and, secondly, the actual price of the goods themselves, which but for these arbitrary measures would now have been in his possession. It is not stated that his expectations were realized.—London Spectator.

Will Serve Dinner

The Ladies Aid of the Ninth Street Baptist church will serve dinner at the City Hall, Monday December 7th. A good dinner to be served, 1-4 Tues-Fri-Sat.

Wm. Halfmann of the Rowena country, is among the farmers that will make almost a bale per acre of his entire cotton crop. Mr. Halfmann has 150 acres in cotton. He has gin tickets for 102 bales and expects to get at least 25 bales more. On a basis of six cents per pound for his cotton Mr. Halfmann's land will produce \$25.40 per acre this year. With 12 cent cotton it would not take a man long to grow rich at this rate.

Heartburn is a symptom of indigestion. Take a dose of Herbine in such cases. The pain disappears instantly. The bowels operate speedily and you feel fine vigorous and cheerful. Price 50c Sold by The Walker Drug Co.

CASTORIA advertisement featuring a bottle image and text: "The Kind You Have Always Bought Bears the Signature of Dr. J. C. Watson Use For Over Thirty Years CASTORIA".

The Magic Washing Stick. "The Magic Washing Stick is just fine. It did just what you said it would do and the clothes were so nice and white with all that hard rubbing left off."

Security Title Company advertisement: "GO TO-- Security Title Company for your abstract work. SEE-- Chas. S. Miller for eight per cent money choice land loans."

The City Barber Shop advertisement: "It Makes a Difference Who Does Your Work. A good shave, a neat hair cut, adds a great deal to a man's feeling and appearance. We give you satisfaction along this line. The City Barber Shop. H. O. Rhodes, Proprietor."

LOST—Gold handle umbrella with letter S engraved on handle. Finder will confer favor by returning to Frank Stuart.

MINNESOTA PAINTS advertisement featuring a dog logo and text: "MINNESOTA PAINTS HOUSE PAINTS OW MINNEAPOLIS. Two Best SINCE 1870 MINNESOTA LINSEED OIL."

DR. CARVER advertisement: "DR. CARVER Suite 207 Mayo Building, San Angelo, Texas. X-RAY AND ELECTRO-THERAPEUTICS. Cancers, Tumors, Skin Diseases, Stomach Troubles, Facial Blemishes, Female Diseases, Palsy, Paralysis, Etc., Treated Scientifically. Rooms for Out of Town Patients."

THE FARMERS AND MERCHANTS STATE BANK advertisement: "IT'S THE SUREST WAY. Pay your bills by checks on the Farmers and Merchants State Bank, Ballinger, save the annoyance of making change, provides an ACCURATE ACCOUNT of all business transactions. A cancelled check is an indisputable receipt. THE FARMERS AND MERCHANTS STATE BANK 'FATHERS AND MOTHERS BANK' The Bank that HELPS YOU Do Things."

L. B. Stubbs advertisement: "Most People Who Eat-- Are Particular What They Eat. We cater to such people—we buy to please them, and we DO please them. We have a store full of the most eatable of eats, and every purchase you make impels you to make another, and still others. L. B. Stubbs Phones 94 & 363 The Home of GOOD Eats."

Electric Irons advertisement: "...GENERAL... Electric Irons \$3.50. Always ready for service and are best at all season of the year. Can be attached to any light socket, no extra heat and no smut. They seldom need repairs but when they do we will repair them free of charge when sent to our office. The cost of the Iron is only \$3.50 and the cost of the current to use them is not much. Phone 15 for one today. The Ballinger Cotton Oil Co."

NOTICE advertisement: "Now is the time to make your application for land loans. I loan money on land in Runnels County at 8 per cent, interest and extend Vendors Lien Notes bearing 8 per cent, interest, and charge no commission for placing your loans. For further information write or call at my office. H. Giesecke, Ballinger, Texas."

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Won't Cost You One Red Penny You attend the movies—regularly. Instead of an ordinary film, you'll see graphically pictured by the best emotional actors and actresses in America—THE TREY O' HEARTS—a pace maker in pictures. So it won't cost you a nickle more to see it.

Mental Back Somersaults No matter how clever, you can't fathom the plot of THE TREY O' HEARTS one inch ahead of the scene you're viewing. It keeps you turning mental back somersaults all the way.

Full Reel Action in Every Foot The Universal Film Manufacturing Co., who are producing these films tell us that there is more action in every foot of THE TREY O' HEARTS than in a full reel of the ordinary scenario. And they should know. Thousands of scenarios go through their hands every year and they're investing \$200,000 in putting THE TREY O' HEARTS on the screen. That's backing judgment. And their success in the moving picture business tells whether or not they know a good thing when they see it.

"The Trey O' Hearts" Is the Moving Picture Play You Want to See. Produced in Weekly Installments at

QUEEN THEATRE EVREY SATURDAY NIGHT

The man who intends to diversify should not lose sight of the hen. Some bits ago the following ode was sung to the lady of the barn-yard:

"The eagle bird sure can soar
The hawk is the boss of the wood,
The mocking bird can sing the score,
But the hen delivers the goods."

She certainly does; and there are many cases on hand where she has paid the grocery bills of the families she happened to be connected with. Indeed the hen is a great asset to a home. She may have her eccentricities, such as scratching around where she is not wanted to scratch, but she is hunting bugs which but for her voraciousness would do more harm than the little scratching she does. Give the hen a trial and a chance to show what she can do and she will make good.—Clebune Enterprise

We invested \$3.50 in ten hens one year ago. The item of eggs have not appeared on our grocery bill since we made the investment and the old hens are still on the job. The Christmas season would come up lacking in many good things to eat if it was not for the

faithful service of the hen, and she will add to the bank account during the year. Yes, you should give her a trial.

Gas in the stomach comes from food which has fermented. Get rid of this badly digested food as quickly as possible if you would avoid a bilious attack; Herbine is the remedy you need. It cleanses and strengthens the stomach liver and bowels, and restores energy and cheerfulness. Price 50c. Sold by The Walker Drug Co.

A man at Gorman, Texas, has made the discovery that a fine grade of table syrup can be made from Johnson grass roots. It may yet be discovered that there is virtue in the devil and the Republican party.—Coleman Democrat-Voice.

But the discovery has come to light under the democratic administration and, the enemy will say that we must accept Johnson grass syrup as the fruit of the democratic party.

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Robert Edeson in "The Call of the North"—Princess Thursday, Dec. 3rd.

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The Magic Washing Stick.

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CHICAGO, Dec. 2.—Behind closed doors, a hundred Bull Mooser leaders from all parts of the country met today to review the November election results, and to plan the future course of the Progressive party. A minority reported that the amalgamation of Bull Moosers with the Republican party was favored. O. K. Davis and Perkins and others declared that the party will continue the organization and have its own ticket in the field in 1916, despite the apparent reverses it has met with in this last election. Theodore Roosevelt hadn't been heard from up to this afternoon. Perkins "pooh-poohed" the talk of dissolution.

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By United Press
WASHINGTON, Dec. 2.—Provisional President Gutierrez of Mexico, accompanied by General Villa, is expected to enter the City of Mexico today, according to official advices received in Washington this afternoon.

Advices received here contradict the reports that there is a break between General Villa and Zapata.

Late dispatches reveal that the deserted by the Villistas who apparently have gone south to concentrate for a campaign against General Carranza.

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DESCRIBES BATTLE
SCENES IN DIARY

BY WILLIAM G. SHEPHERD
United Press Staff Correspondent

PRZEMYSL, Oct. 29.—(By mail to New York.)—Two temporary bridges are across the stream. This is an infinitely busy spot. Over these two bridges pass all the men, food and ammunition that feed the battle in the hills. This little creek is the river of death for thousands. A regiment of fresh soldiers, spick and span, is just marching across. At the same time, across the other bridge wounded and sick men are being brought from the battlefield. The contrast defies description. Days ago, in some city these fresh men were marching through the streets singing their war enthusiasm. Their journey to this bridge on the edge of the battlefield has been long and slow. But it's almost ended. A short march will bring them where death is flying all about. They don't sing now. Their faces are grave. A group of other soldiers are cheering nearby. Their captain has just made a little speech, telling them they are to go to battle soon and that he expects them to do their best. On a hillside, a mile away, are thousands of men in grey. They form a grey carpet over the great slope. I can see a white horse among them as I look through my glasses. The carpet moves and forms itself into patterns of straight lines on a green background. These thousands of men are to be taken to the front after dark tonight. They are waiting and to keep them from growing nervous, their officers put them through drills now and then. It is 11:30 now, but in this northern land at this time of the year it will be pitch dark at 4:45 this afternoon, so they have not many hours to swarm idly on the hillside.

11:45 a. m.—We desert the wagon to go the rest of the way on foot. I see my first shrapnel burst. It makes a tiny, lazily floating cloud of white smoke over the hills. Through my glasses I see Austrian aeroplanes near the white cloud. Another cloud and another break into view. The Russians are trying for the aeroplane. The aviator knows it too. There's no use of his trying to climb higher above the danger for the shrapnel has an upward range of two miles, so the machine turns tail and starts back toward the Austrian lines. Puff, Puff, Puff more white clouds break out around it. There are deadly cubil miles of air up there and if the

aviator happens into one of them there will be a burst of splintered wood and tattered canvas and his work will be done. But it's all in the day's work for the man in the sky. He has been sent up to draw a Russian fire so that the whereabouts of a certain Russian battery may be disclosed. He has succeeded too for soon you hear the Austrian shrapnel screeching through the air toward the spots in the heavens where the white smoke floats. The Austrians are feeling over the forest hills and valleys for the Russian batteries. They want the Russians to shoot and the aeroplane has turned the trick. Amid all these exciting scenes we see hungry soldiers with their backs bent earthward digging with sticks in a field for potatoes. Their stomachs are crying louder than the shrapnel.

12:10 p. m.—We pass miles of ammunition beside the road. These are white pine boxes the size of a traveling man's grip. Each of them contains a shell about four inches in diameter, weighing about 35 pounds and costing \$150. Every shot of this vast tattoo we are hearing, means one of these shells gone to pot. Then there are other boxes painted black, the same size. They contain four two-inch shells, costing about \$10 each. We're not hearing these this morning for the Russian and Austrian artillery lines are about five miles apart and the smaller shells do little damage at that distance.

12:20 p. m.—Adams who has spent nearly all his life in Austria though he was born in Boston, and who has been in the Austrian army, explains what is going on. It is true the artillery lines are five miles apart but way up ahead of the artillery with their own shells coming up from behind them, and over their heads, are regiments of Austrian infantry hiding in the valleys, trenches or forests waiting for the order to advance.

12:30 p. m.—We leave the road and take to a grove. In a clearing we see a big house. Officers come and go. In response to our questions as to the nearest battery they pointed out a pathway in the garden. We follow it. In every battle I've ever read or heard about there was an apple orchard and this was no exception. At the edge of the orchard we came upon a vast piece of ploughed farm land sloping away from us and a quarter of a mile before us, in the field, we counted six copper colored howitzers with their noses tilted high. We struggled along over the ploughing and reached the battery.

The commandant looks at the press brassards we wear and welcomes us. "Maybe we'll be ordered to fire soon," he says. He leads us to a hole in the ground. Looking thru the entrance we see that the cave is straw lined. Inside is a man wearing a telephone headpiece. He is talking into the 'phone. He yells a series of numbers to the commandant who stands beside us. A hundred feet ahead of us are situated the six howitzers. We're standing beside the battery fire control, which is the handle of this death-dealing fan. The commandant yells the numbers to the men of gun No. 1. With big poles the men move the cannon its wheels into a new direction. Then other men with instruments for measuring elevation tilt the howitzer to the proper angle. Suddenly all the men rush away from the hole in which the gun stands. One man picks up a rope from the ground; it's the trigger rope. He stands twenty feet behind the piece and waits. Every man stands with his hands over his ears.

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