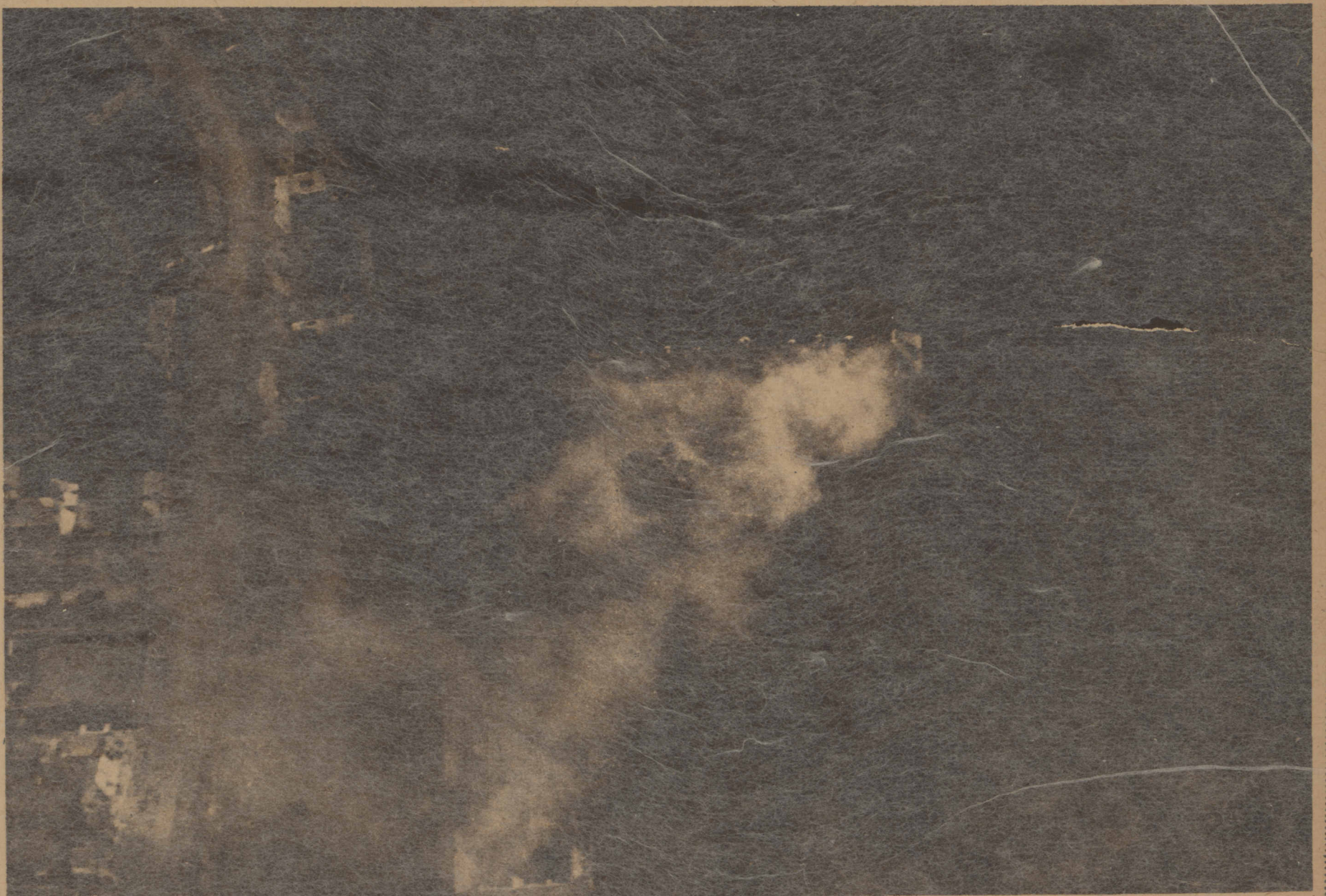


Above is the Chateau de Chaulnes ten seconds before it was hit by a sixteen inch shell. Below is the same scene a few seconds after the second shell had hit the chateau. The photographs were taken from the aeroplane which regulated the artillery fire by wireless. The insert is of the young duke of Chaulnes.



DUCAL CHATEAU OF AN AMERICAN BOY BLOWN UP IN FRANCE—The beautiful Chateau de Chaulnes, seat of the 8 year old tenth duke of Chaulnes and of Picquingny, grandson of Theodore P. Shonts, was recently destroyed by French heavy artillery, which killed at the same time an entire German staff at lunch in the chateau. The chateau had been left unharmed, although situated in territory occupied by the enemy until it was learned that it was used as the headquarters of a German army staff of fifty officers. The late duke of Chaulnes married Miss Theodora Shonts, daughter of the railroad magnate and builder of the New York subway. The duke died two months after the marriage.

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