All's quiet in the streets
of the city that built bullets
as the foreign absence
looms heavy like smog While in the battlefield
built from bullets and bombs,
above the mud and blood,
smoke rises and blots out the Sun.

In the factories of the city,
the point of each round
tips the scale
in the wages of war the sweat, heart and
hope of the workers
laboured into each carefully
manufactured round.

In the Passchendale trenches amid the noise and struggle the field becomes a proving ground for the everyday heroics that make the stories home hold close.