



Vienna, 1914. In the quiet of his studio, Jakob Mueller captures the world outside with his pencil.



The assassination of Archduke Franz Ferdinand... A single event ripples across the continent.



The air is thick with whispers of war, and unease stirs in Jakob's chest.



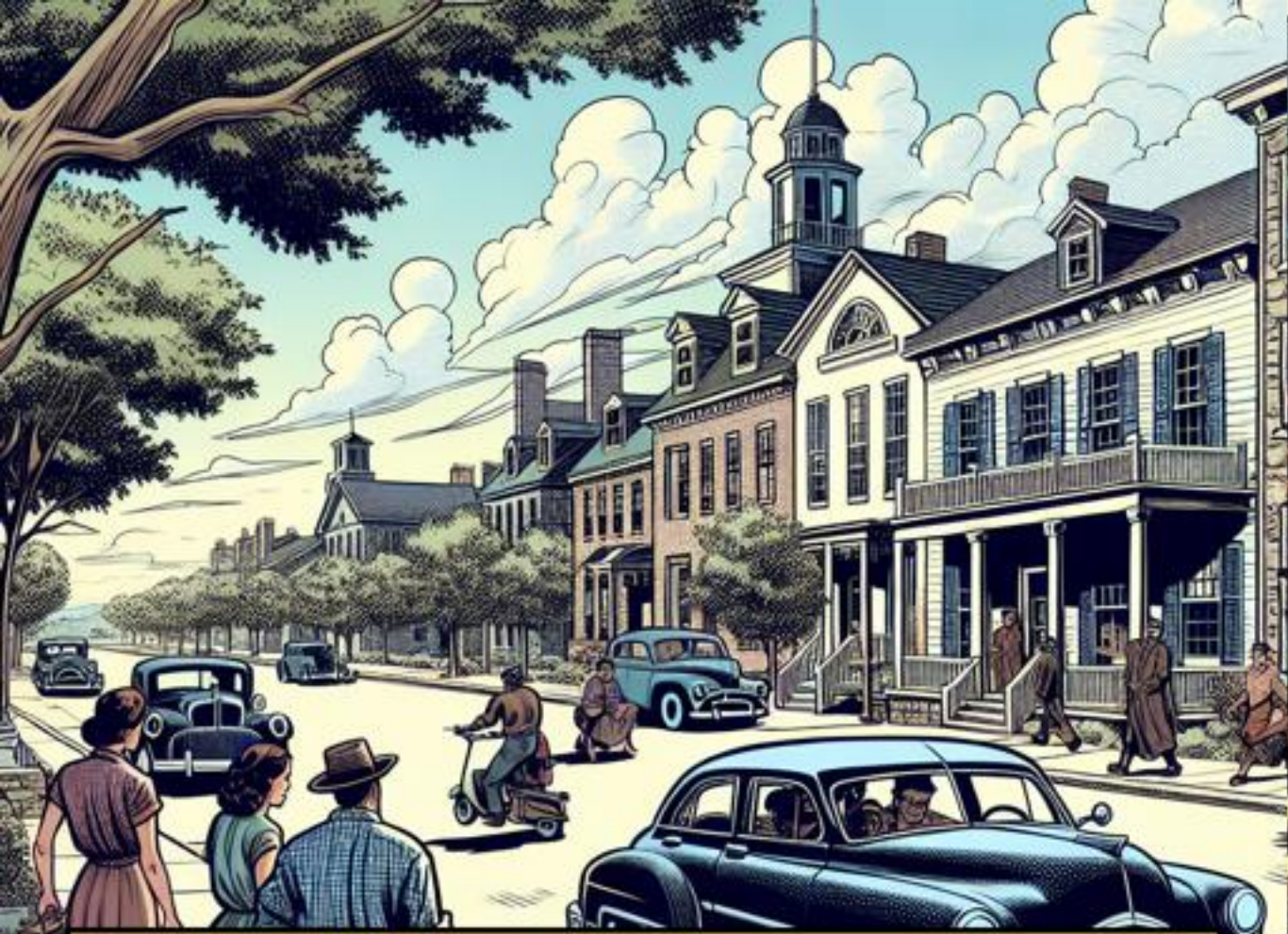
Friedrich: Jakob, do you think this could really lead to war?



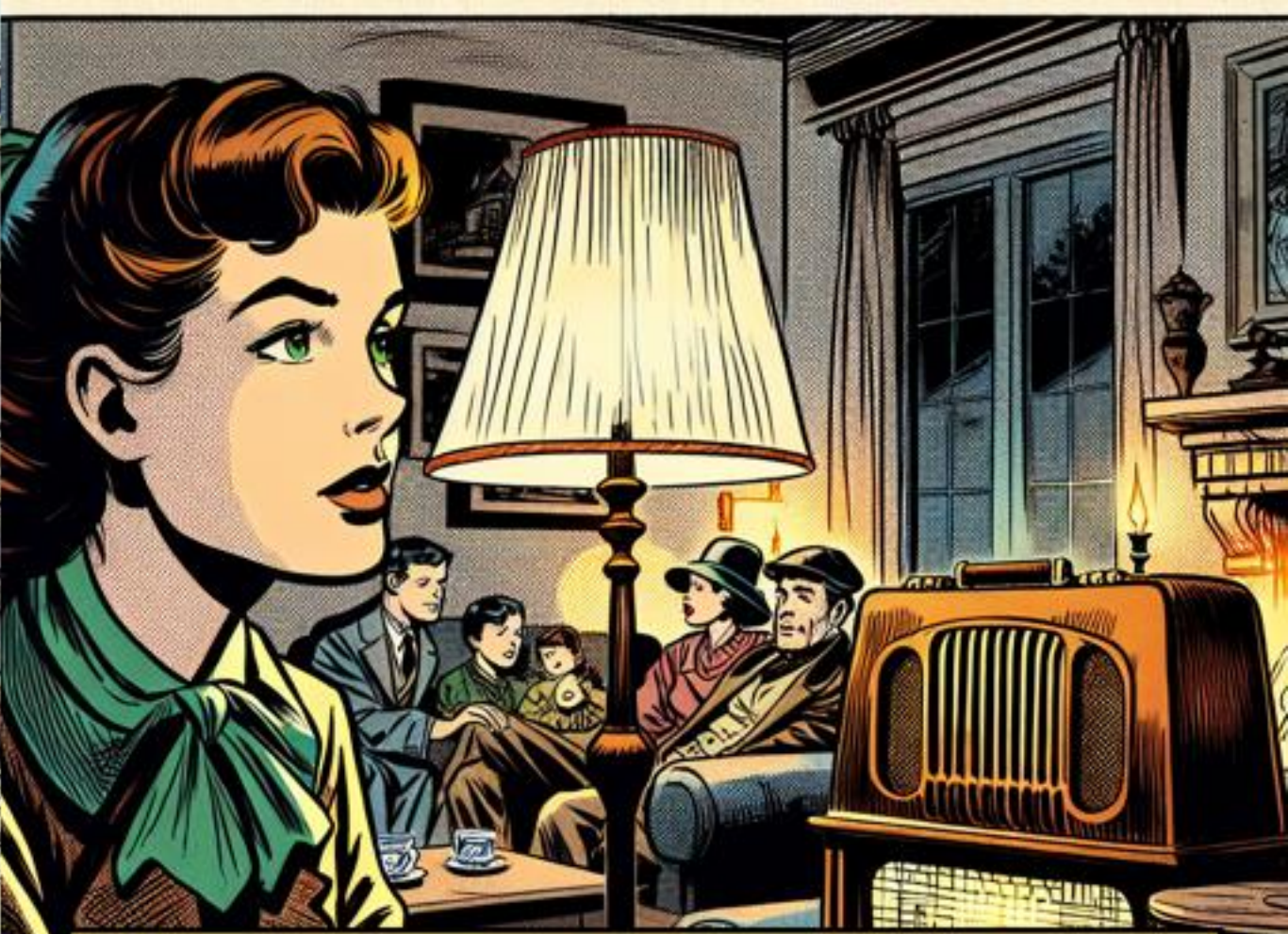
Jakob: It seems every nation is on edge, Friedrich. One spark and the whole of Europe might ignite.



And so, the world waits on the brink of chaos, as history prepares to turn its page.



A tranquil New Jersey town, unaware of the storm brewing across the Atlantic.



Clara Bennett and her family gather around the radio, eager to hear news from afar.



Woodrow Wilson's voice crackles through: 'The United States must remain neutral in thought as well as in action.'



Clara listens intently, feeling the weight of Wilson's words.



The family absorbs the President's message, each lost in their own thoughts.



Silence fills the room as Wilson's words linger, a reminder of the fragile peace.



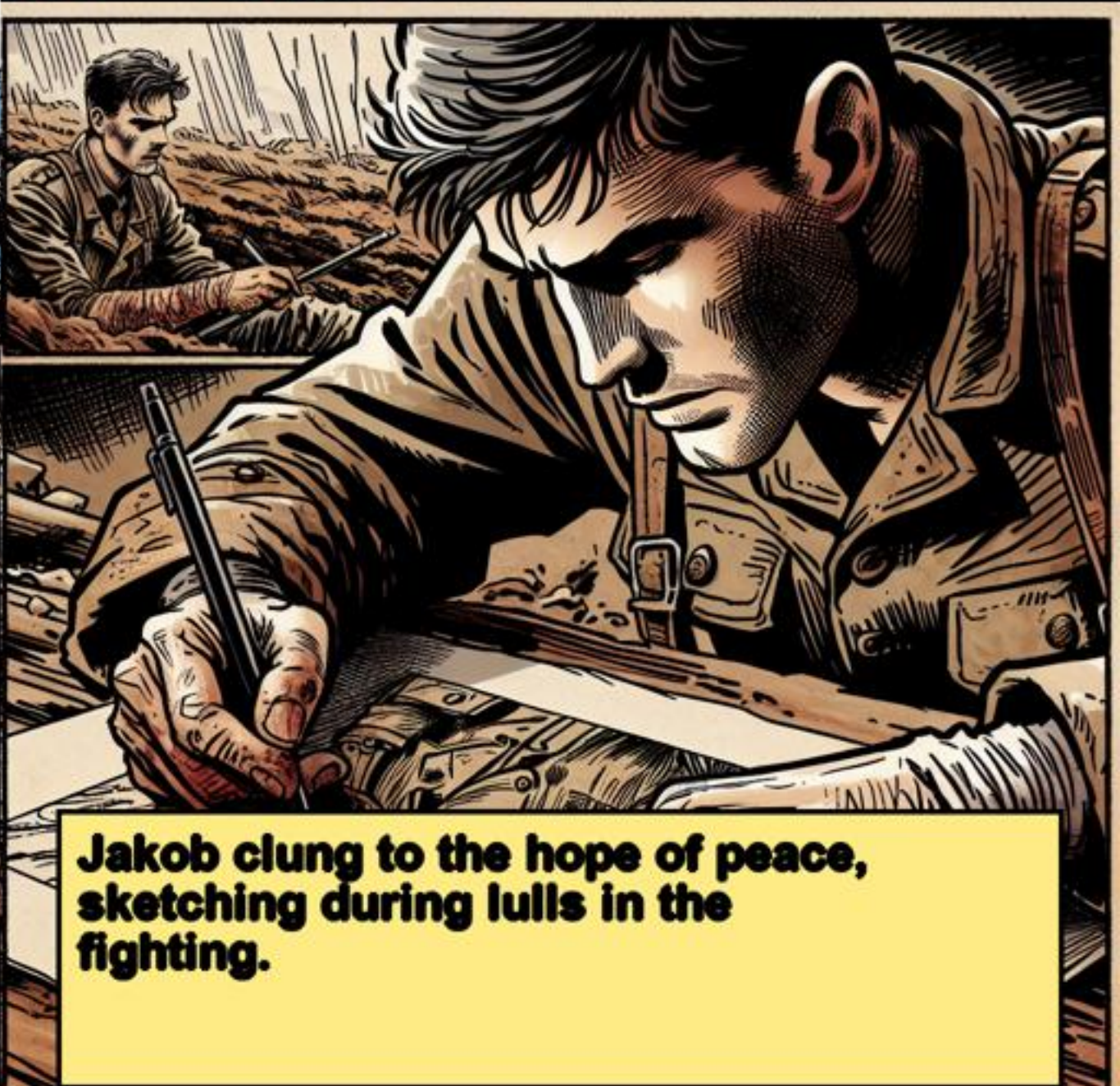
'Wilson is wise to keep us out of this European mess,' he says.



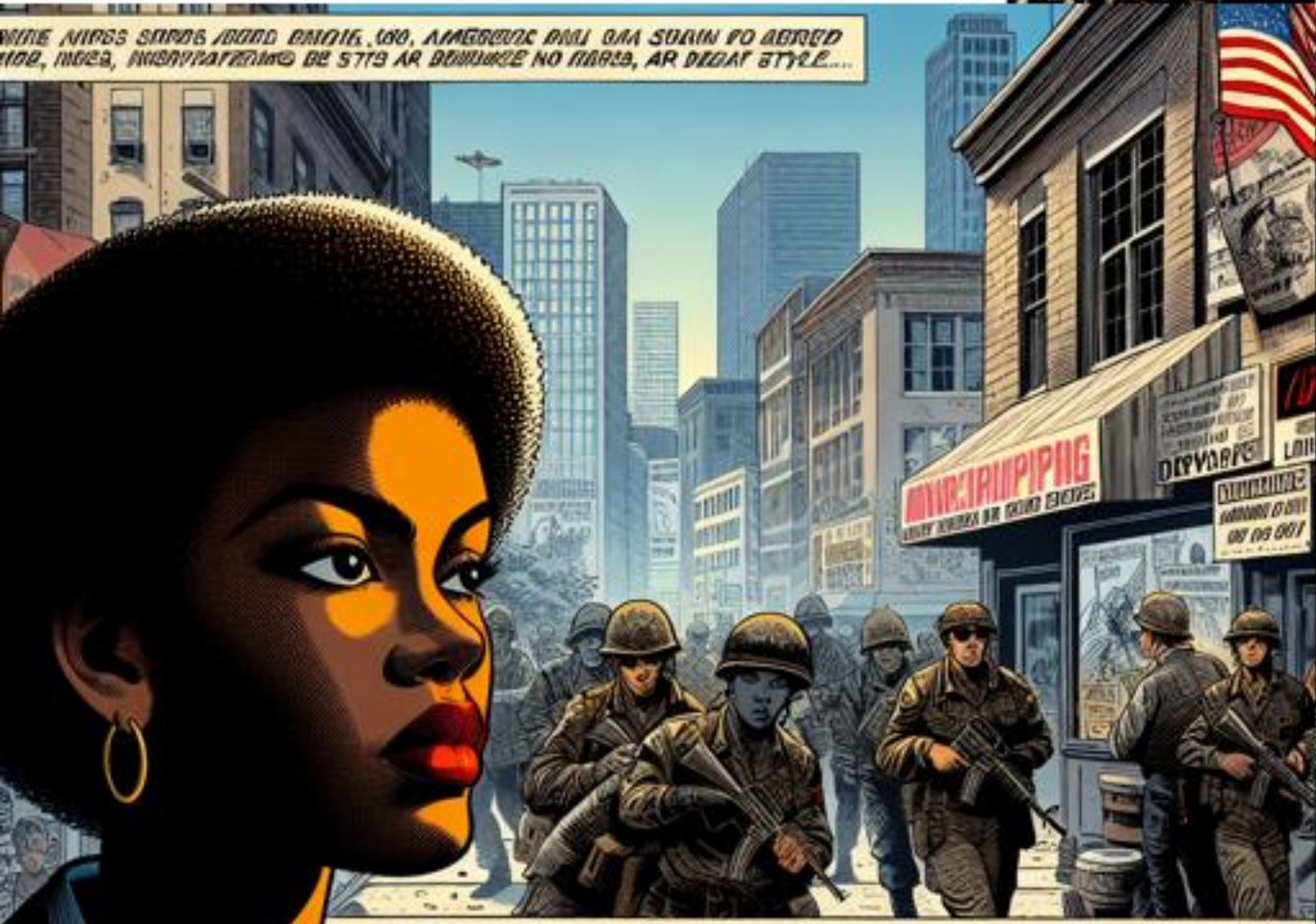
Clara wonders silently if America can truly stay uninvolved.



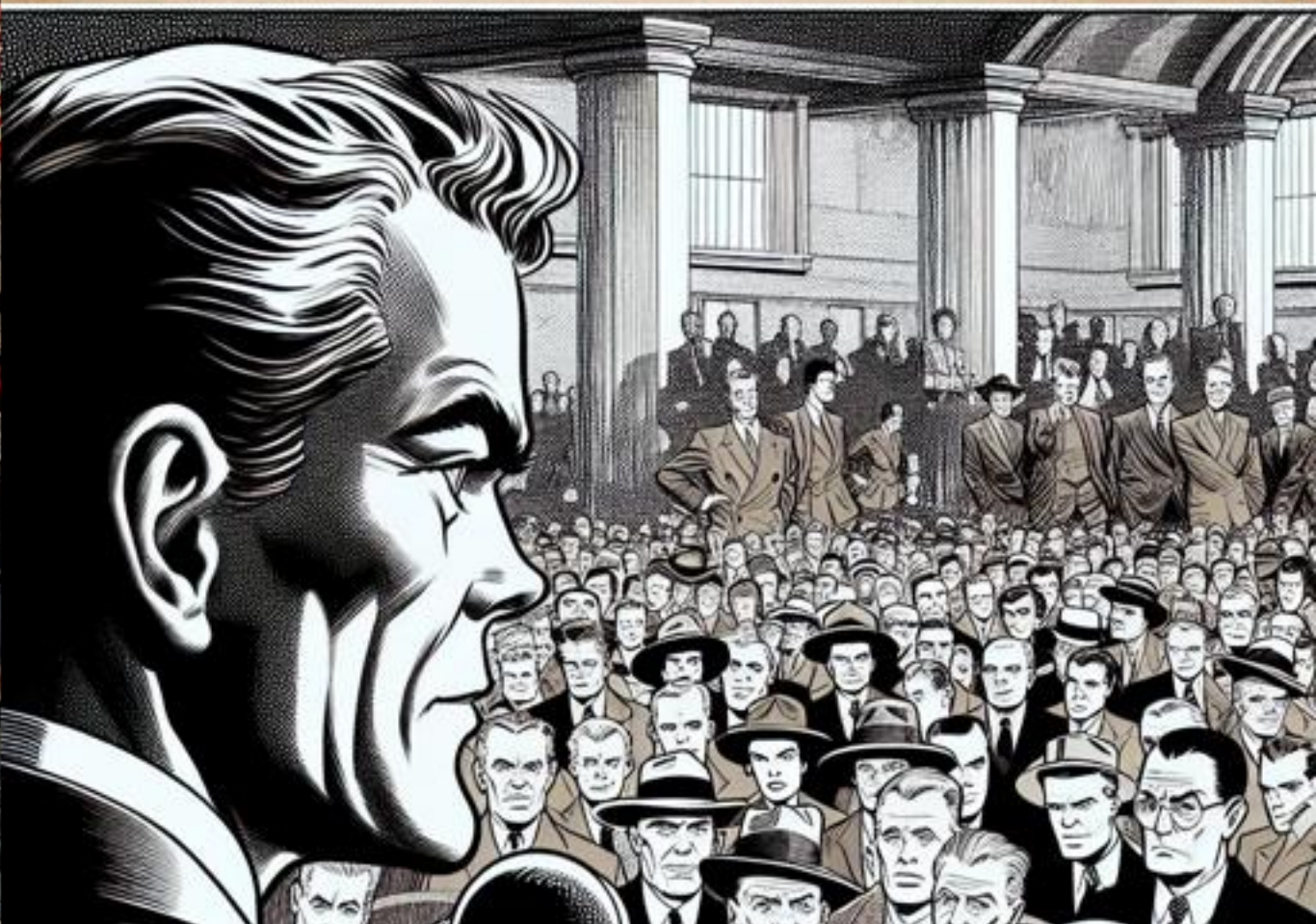
The war raged on across Europe.



Jakob clung to the hope of peace, sketching during lulls in the fighting.



Back in America, Clara watched the growing debate over military preparedness.



Wilson, once a champion of neutrality, began advocating for increased defense measures.