

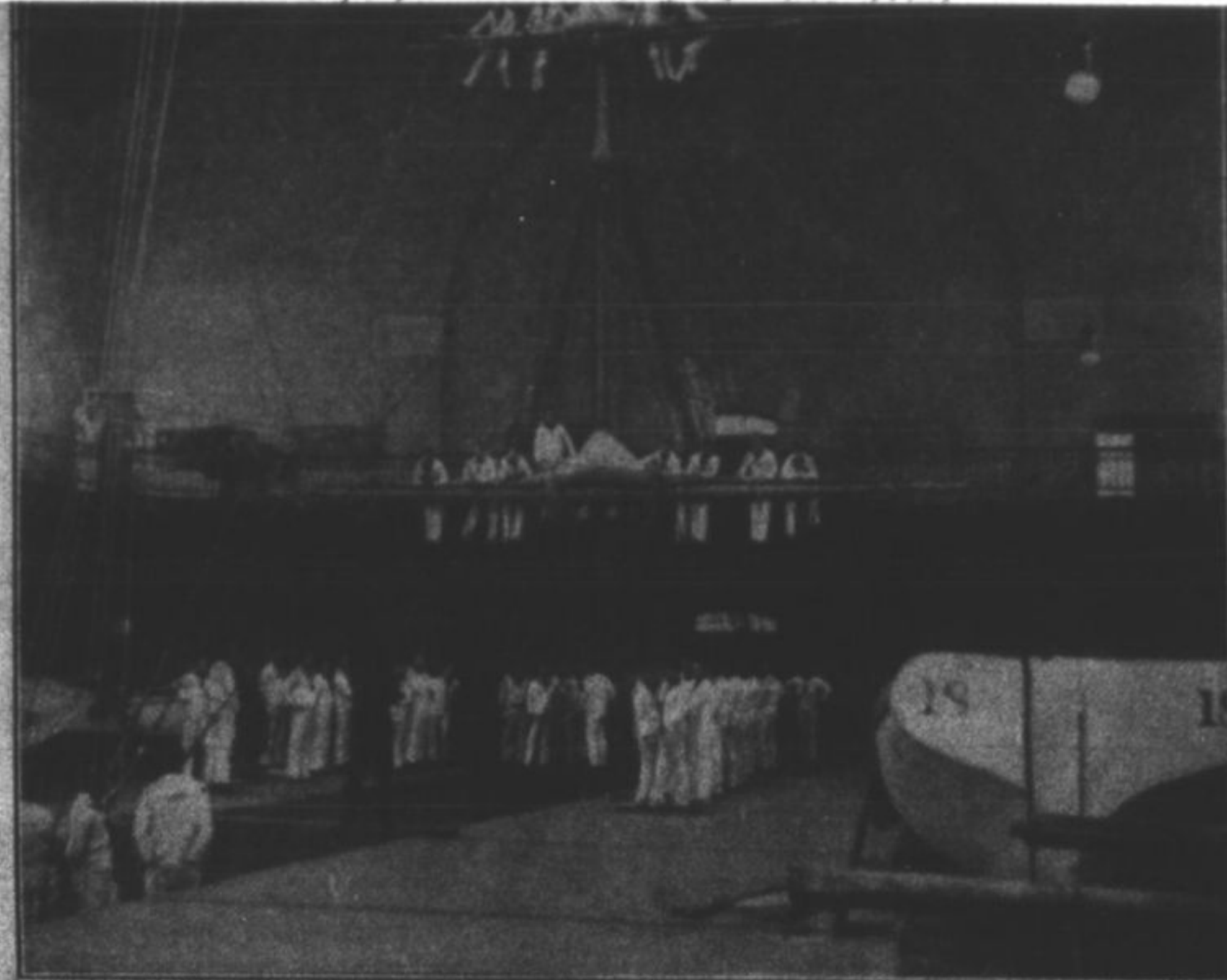
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HIGHLAND PARK TO HAVE A NAVAL ACADEMY.

Some interest has been taken in the recent visits of Major Davidson of the Northwestern Military Academy to the city of Washington.

It appears that his activity has been taking a very practical form in the question of adding to the scope and value of the institution as an educator.

Both Colonel and Major Davidson recognise that in this age the school which is not aggressive in all its work and methods is quickly dropped to the rear and ceases to give full value to its students.

They have been working for the extension of the Northwestern Military Academies value by adding a Naval department.

There is probably no preparatory school anywhere in the United States which has taken a more leading place in progressiveness than has our own Northwestern Military Academy. Dating way back in the 90's the school has made some move each year which has not only brought its name and the name of our city before the entire country, but has also done much to stimulate *esprit de corps*

among its own students, and has been one reason why the school has been able to select the fine class of students it has enrolled.

Major Davidson has just return-

ed from Washington where he has made three trips since December in the interest of a bill authorizing the Secretary of the Navy to furnish the school with completely equipped Naval Cutters and

other material such as Nautical instruments, Hotchkiss Rapid Fire Guns, etc., that could be used to advantage in teaching the young men the principles of elementary seamanship. Senator Cullom has been very influential in promoting this plan, especially

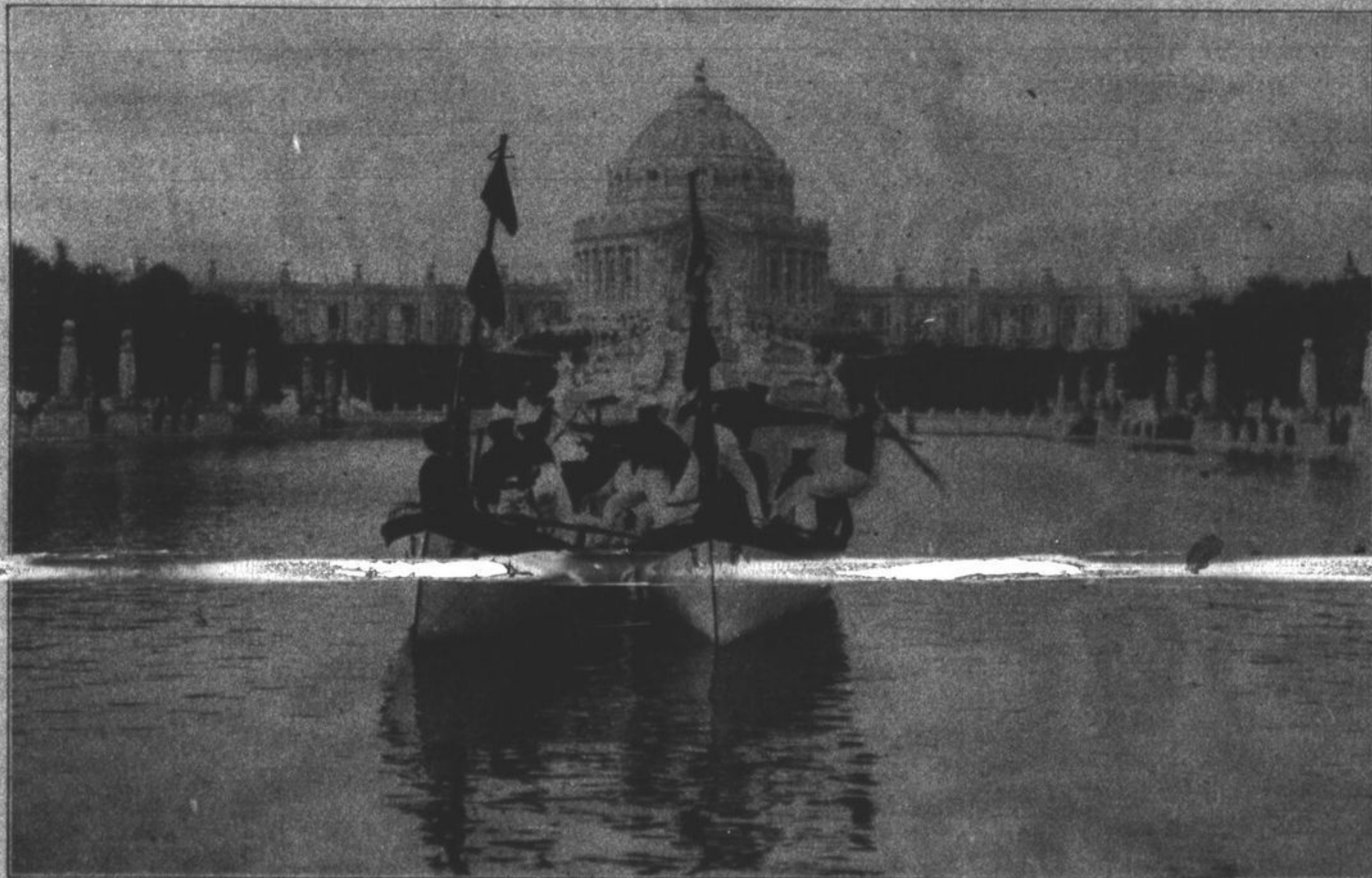
in the movement, giving the plan the same hearty support that he has given the other measures that have been for the good of his district.

It seems there are in the neighborhood of 170 military academies in the country, a large per cent of which are recognized by the War Department; but outside of Annapolis, there is not an institution that is doing anything towards training its students in naval work with the exception of a summer school in Indiana which puts in a few weeks each year. The Academy here has an officer from the War Department as instructor, and as the Principal of the Academic Department, Dr. Rogers, is a graduate of the Naval Academy at Annapolis, the institution is especially well organized to take from each of these great Government schools such features of their training and work as are

have been offered and a cordial welcome extended by the residents of Lake Geneva to have the school located on this beautiful body of water at least during the fall and spring terms, and the plan now is to leave Highland Park

for study and quarters for the instructors, and have the students live for the balance of the year in tents. Plans have been made to make out of this a permanent camp with board floors, cots, etc., for each tent.

The plan has not only met the hearty approval of all the patrons of the school, but prominent educators see in the change of environment twice each year an added stimulus to academic work. Physicians see in the well governed and sanitarily arranged out door tent life the best plan for laying the foundation of future health. Military and naval men already know that it is upon the volunteer that our great country must depend in case of war, and that these great armies of volunteers must look to the military and naval academy graduates for its officers, and business men thoroughly appreciate the great advantage a



NAVAL DRILL AT LOUISIANA PURCHASE EXPOSITION

best calculated to develop all the better sides of the student, and the institution will probably in the near future, be known as a military and naval academy.

Very flattering inducements

young man who has had this training in self-government but in the ability to command others, has over the ordinary young man who enters life's battles.

School will also open in Septem-