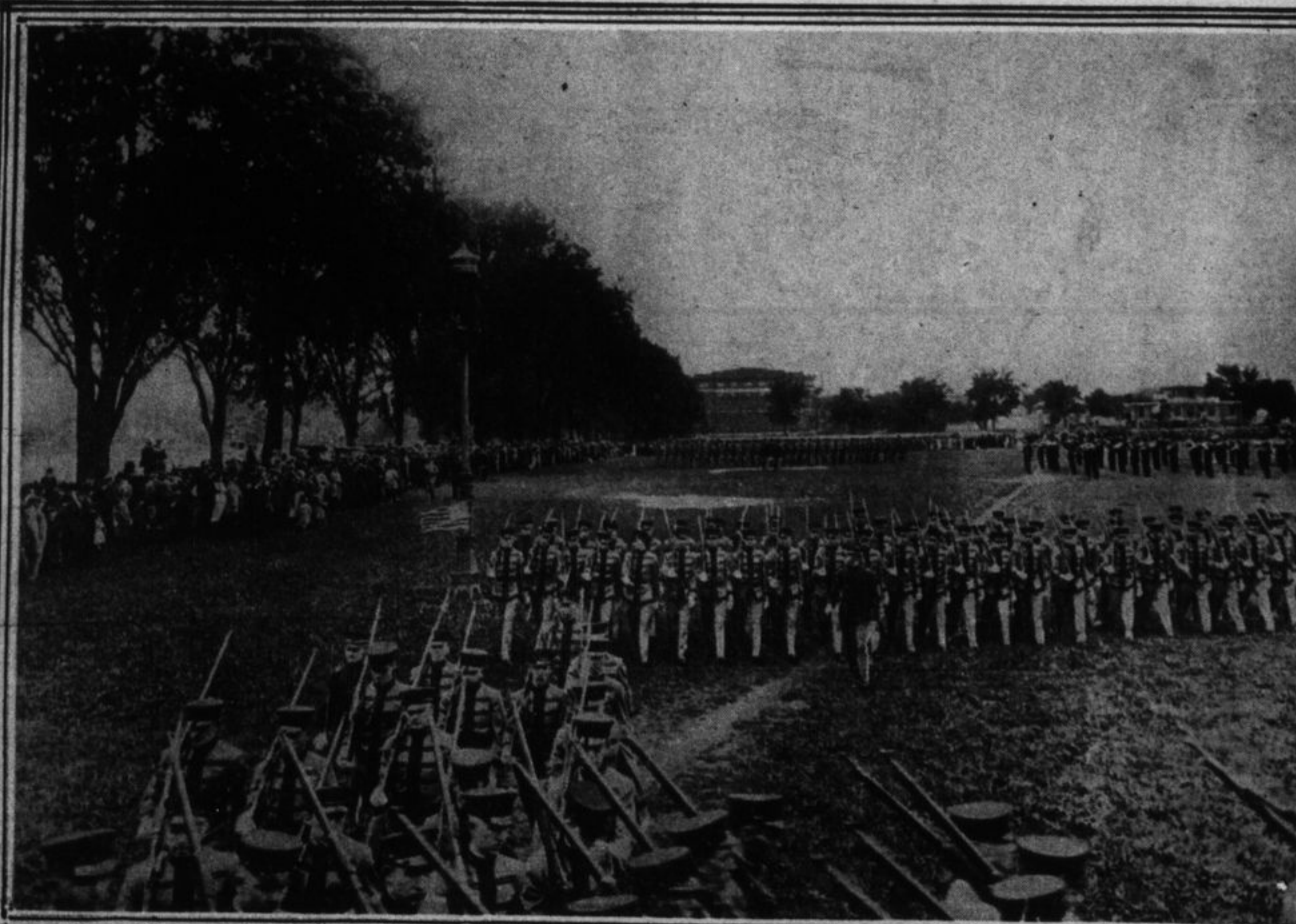




NEW HYDRO-SKI USED FOR THE PURPOSE OF SPORTING.

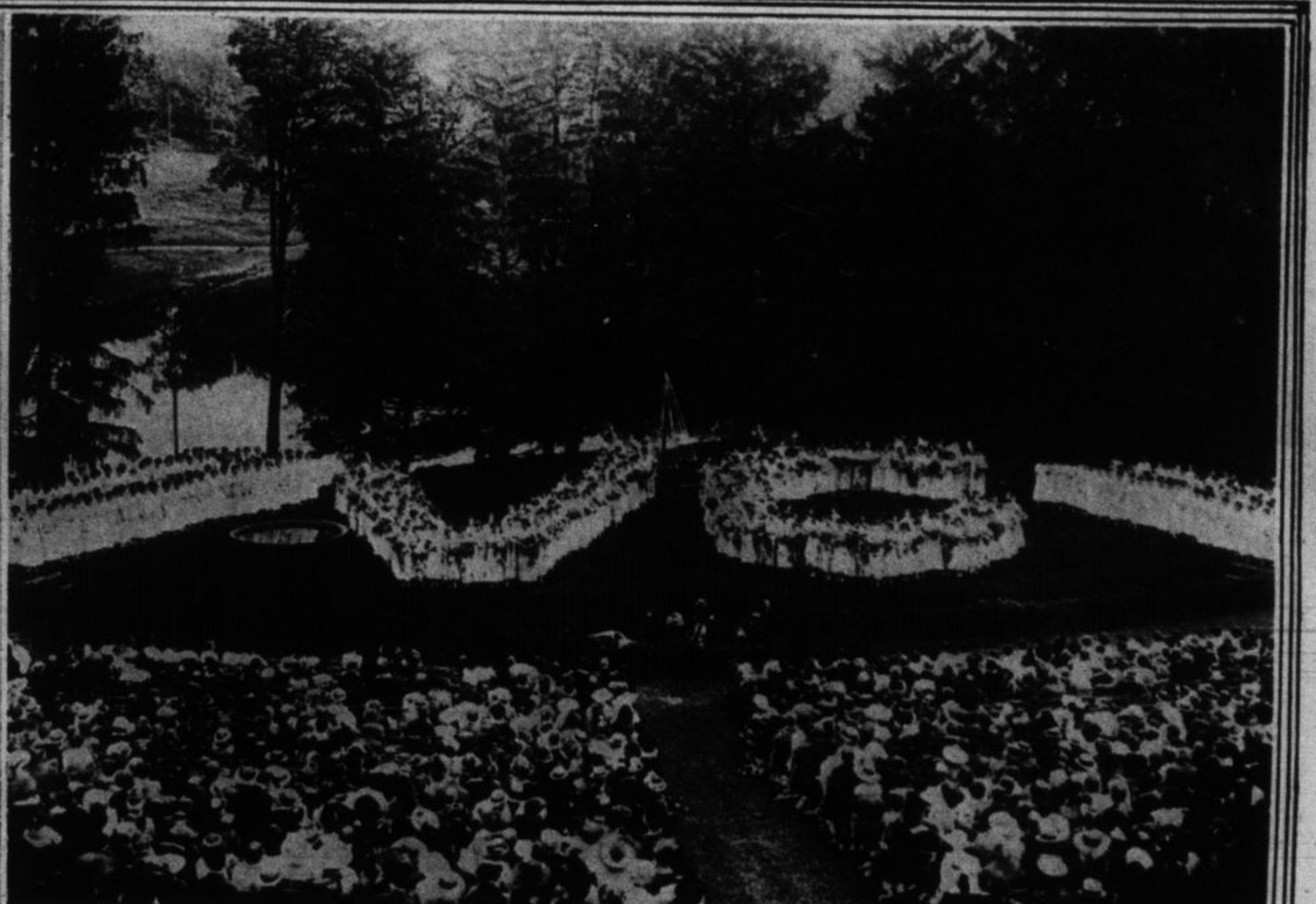


VERDUN REGION COVERED WITH STUMPS THAT WERE ONCE BIG TREES. Big shells are first-class wood-cutters. The Verdun region is covered with stumps and broken trees that were cut down by shell fire. The photo was taken in a wood near Douaumont.



UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS CADETS CORPS.

A recent military inspection at the University of Illinois, elicited this comment from the inspector: "The military instruction is of such extent and thoroughness in the case of cadet officers, as to qualify the average cadet as a Lieut. of Volunteers. The founders of the Land-Grant colleges intended that precisely this should be the case when the Morrill Land Grant Act provided for a Military Dept. Military training is required of the male students during the freshman and sophomore years. The organization of the corps is as follows: Two complete regiments of infantry which comprise 24 companies. Foot battery of field artillery; Signal Company; Engineer Company and Hospital Company. There is also a band for each regiment."



COMMENCEMENT DAY AT VASSAR COLLEGE.

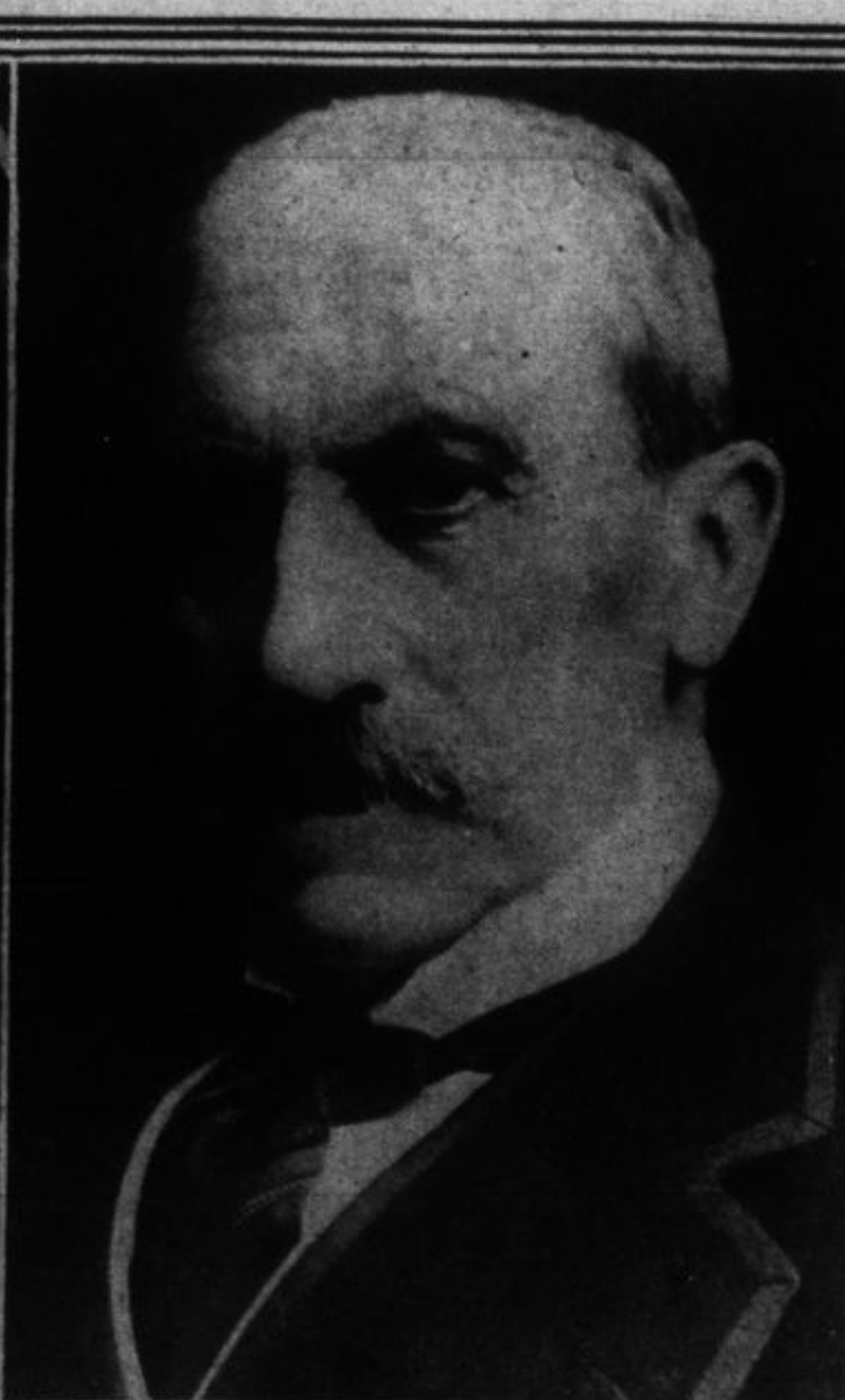
For the first time the new outdoor theatre at Vassar College, at Poughkeepsie, N.Y., was used for class day exercises. It presented a very pretty spectacle as the graduates formed the initials of the college on the grassy outdoor stage.



WAR HONORS FOR RICHEST PEER.
The Duke of Westminster, whose income is \$5,000,000 a year, has been awarded the D. S.O. and appointed to the rank of major. Potted and spoiled by his relatives he has shown his grit in war by rescuing 100 British captives seized by Arabs in Western Egypt.



LI YUAN HUNG, NOW PRESIDENT OF CHINA.
Former Vice-President of China, Li Yuan Hung, becomes President in succession to the late Yuan Shi Kai, whose term would have expired in October. Owing to the disturbed political conditions in the new republic, however, his tenure of office is uncertain. Li Yuan Hung is reported to have been in sympathy with the Rebels, although little has been heard of his activities for some months.



EARL KITCHENER'S POSSIBLE SUCCESSOR.
Lord Alfred Milner, who is mentioned as a possible successor to the late Earl Kitchener, as Secretary of State for War. The London Morning Post "urges that Lord Milner is the only suitable man on the horizon."



THE REPUBLICAN PRESIDENTIAL NOMINEE ARRIVING AT NEW YORK.
He was met on the ferry boat by his close friend, William Wilcox, former chairman of the Public Service Commission, which position he was appointed to by Mr. Hughes, then Governor of New York.



COMMANDS THE ALLIED OFFENSIVE IN GALICIA.
General Brusiloff, commanding the Russian troops which have been successful in the Russian offensive in Galicia and Bukovina. The troops under him have succeeded in capturing so far, forty thousand Austrians and several hundred cannon and machine guns.