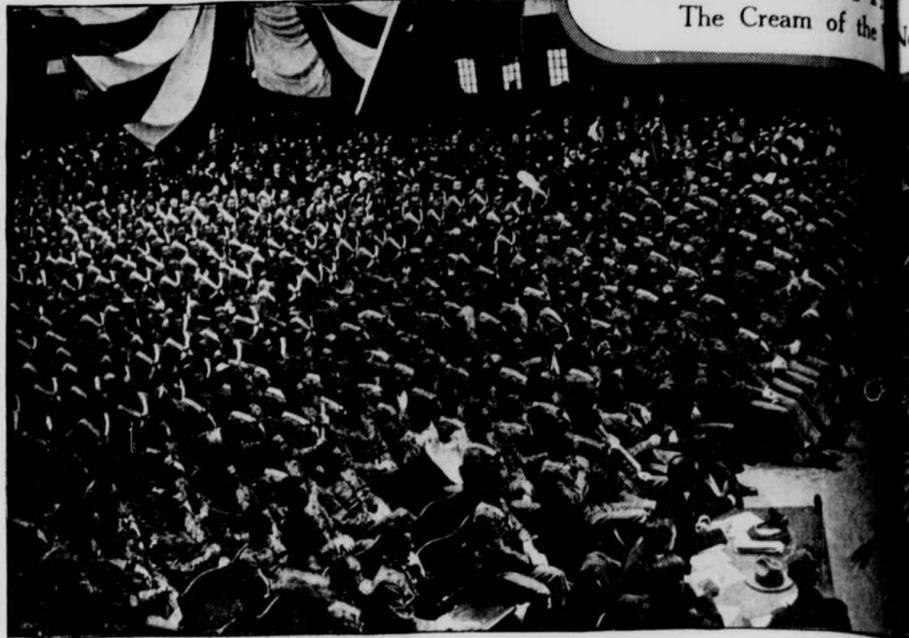




The British Commission arrives at the Union Station in Washington for war conferences. Colonel Harts, Arthur J. Balfour, British Foreign Minister, in the centre, with Secretary Lansing to the right. On the left (face painted out) a Secret Service officer, who cannot be photographed.



Secretary of War Baker (near centre) awards the senior class was graduated several weeks ahead of in order that the new officers might begin service.

The West Point Cadets on parade just before entering for the graduation exercises. They are being reviewed on the Parade Grounds by Secretary of War Baker and General Hugh L. Scott.

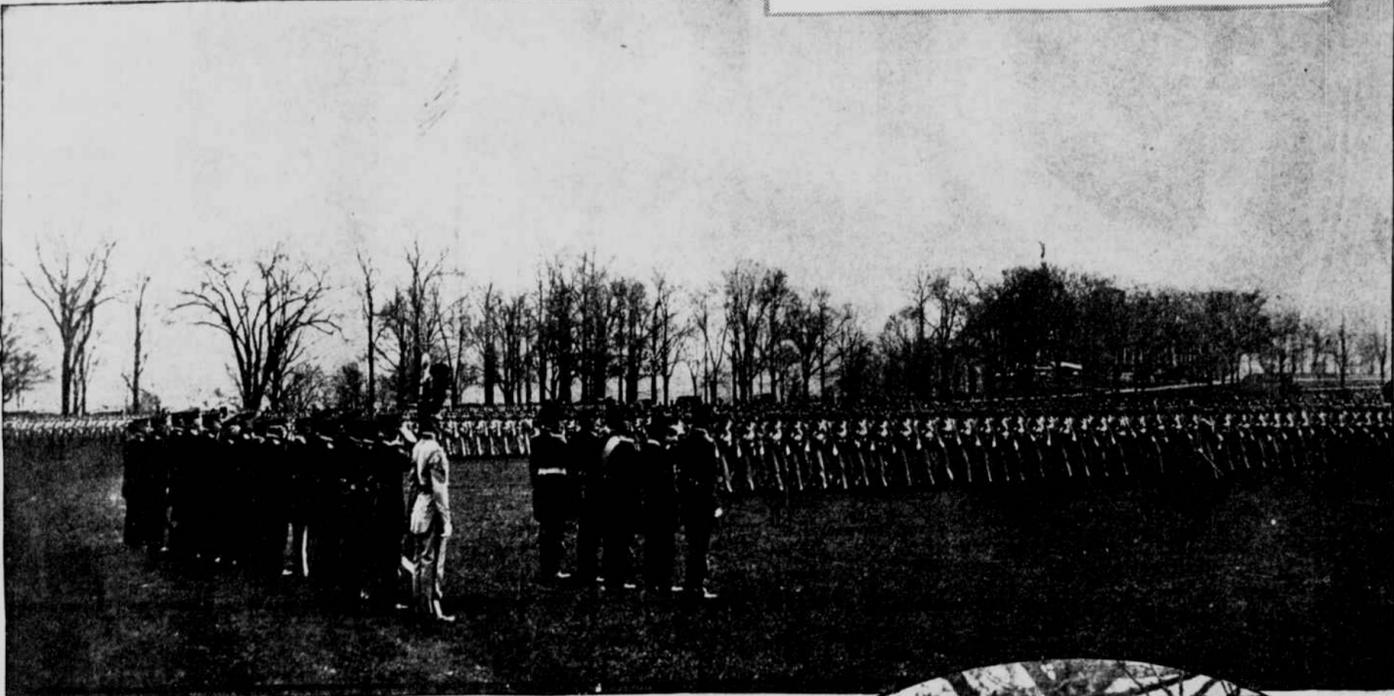
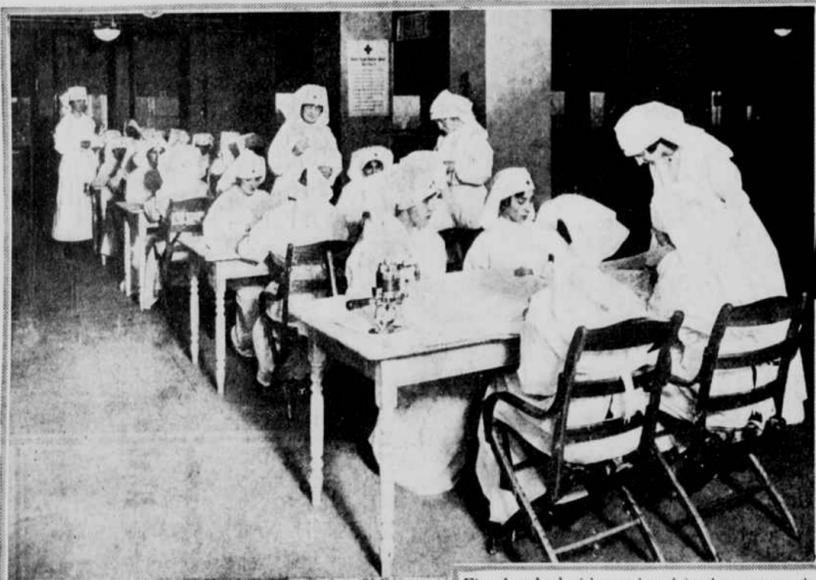


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"Wake Up America" Day in March. Marchers is seen coming down Fifth Avenue viewed from the famous Flatiron Building.



Five hundred girls employed in the various electric light companies of the city gather in squads of seventy-five to form a Red Cross auxiliary at the Edison Building, in Fifteenth Street. They give part of their leisure time to the making of bandages and surgical dressings, which are turned out daily by the hundreds.

Photo N. Y. Edison Company.



The American Government has at last come to ordering a supply of the new Lewis machine guns for army use. Here are shown several experts testing out the gun at the Winthrop, Md., proving grounds. The gun can be fired from the shoulder, as here, just as easily as from the regulation tripod.

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The giant battleship New Mexico is launched at the Brooklyn navy yard. It is the largest boat in the American navy, of 32,000 tons displacement, and will burn oil exclusively. It was christened by Miss Margaret de Baca, daughter of the former Governor of New Mexico.

Photo Greeley Service.



A spectacular feature of the "Wake Up America" parade was an impersonation of Abraham Lincoln by Benjamin Chapin. In an antique carriage the pseudo Liberator rode down Fifth Avenue, followed by a detachment of Boy Scouts bearing illuminated signs.

Photo Kadi & Herbert.



The French cruiser Jeanne d'Arc arrives at the Navy Department. Here she is seen with her comrade-at-arms after a ceremonious exit.