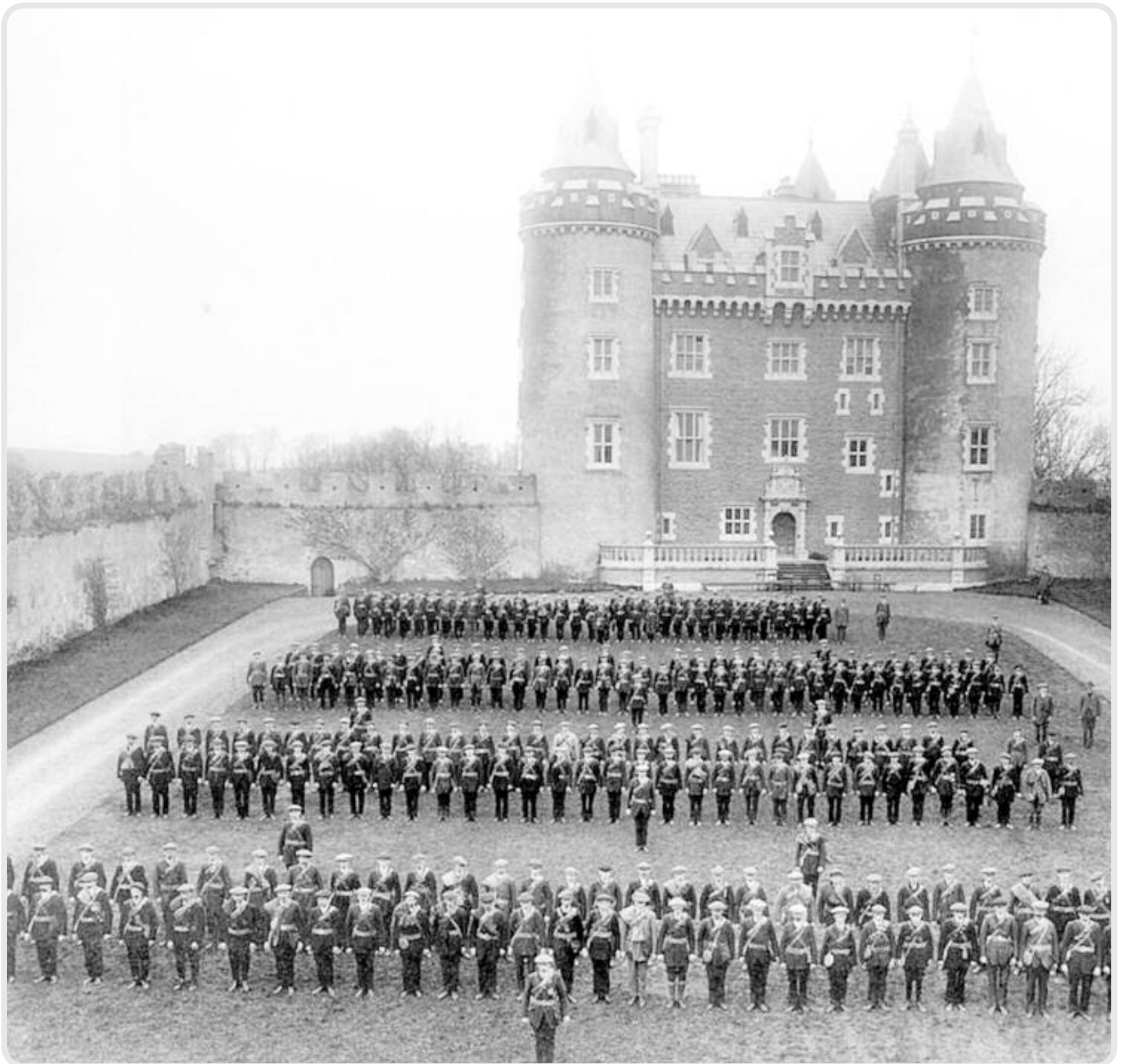


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# How war saved Ulster

Politics in pre-partition Ireland threatened to bring about civil war but, as **STEVEN MOORE** reports, the outbreak of The Great War changed the situation overnight



**STANDING TALL:** the Ulster Volunteer Force on parade outside Killyleagh Castle, Co Down, was already a well-disciplined and arms-trained organisation prior to the outbreak of war. It had been raised by Sir Edward Carson to resist Home Rule