

NO PAUL REVERES IN WAR OF TODAY

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Brilliant Rays Show Location of Enemy and Make Attacks More Deadly. Vivid Account of Heroic Charge by Prussian Guards Told by Wounded British Soldier.

Berlin.—The picturesque courier plays no part in the war of today. Formerly it was his duty to deliver messages and orders from one officer to another, running the greatest risks and facing the fire of the enemy. But he has been replaced by modern appliances, and now instructions are sent from generals to officers on the scene of fighting by telephone. Just as the scouts of the old days have been replaced by the air men in their big dirigibles and the big 42 centimeter siege guns have replaced the five inch artillery, the telephone replaces the midnight rider with important orders.

Battles by searchlights are of almost nightly occurrence in Flanders, according to Ernest Macdams, the American sculptor attached to the American ambulance corps.

"Last week masses of Germans charged the British near Ypres at



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GERMAN SCOUT PHONING HEADQUARTERS ON BATTLEFIELD.

night," he said. "Beneath a search light they dashed through barbed wire. The British waited steadily with fixed bayonets, but the Germans never wavered and went to death heroically."

"One of the six inch shells that the Germans were sending from Cernay over the Engelburg into this old Alsatian town crashed through the roof of a modest dwelling on the bank of the Thur," writes a correspondent. "A column of black smoke shot up through the hole and a cloud of dust and smoke poured into the street through a big hole in the front wall. The neighbors brought out a woman covered with dust stained red by a stream that flowed from a gash in her scalp. She clutched a piece of pasteboard in one hand. While some of the rescuers washed the red stained dust from her face she watched the others bring out her husband's lifeless body."

"If you could see what they have done to your father," she cried bitterly, gazing at the cardboard, "and what has become of your home you'd turn your guns the other way."

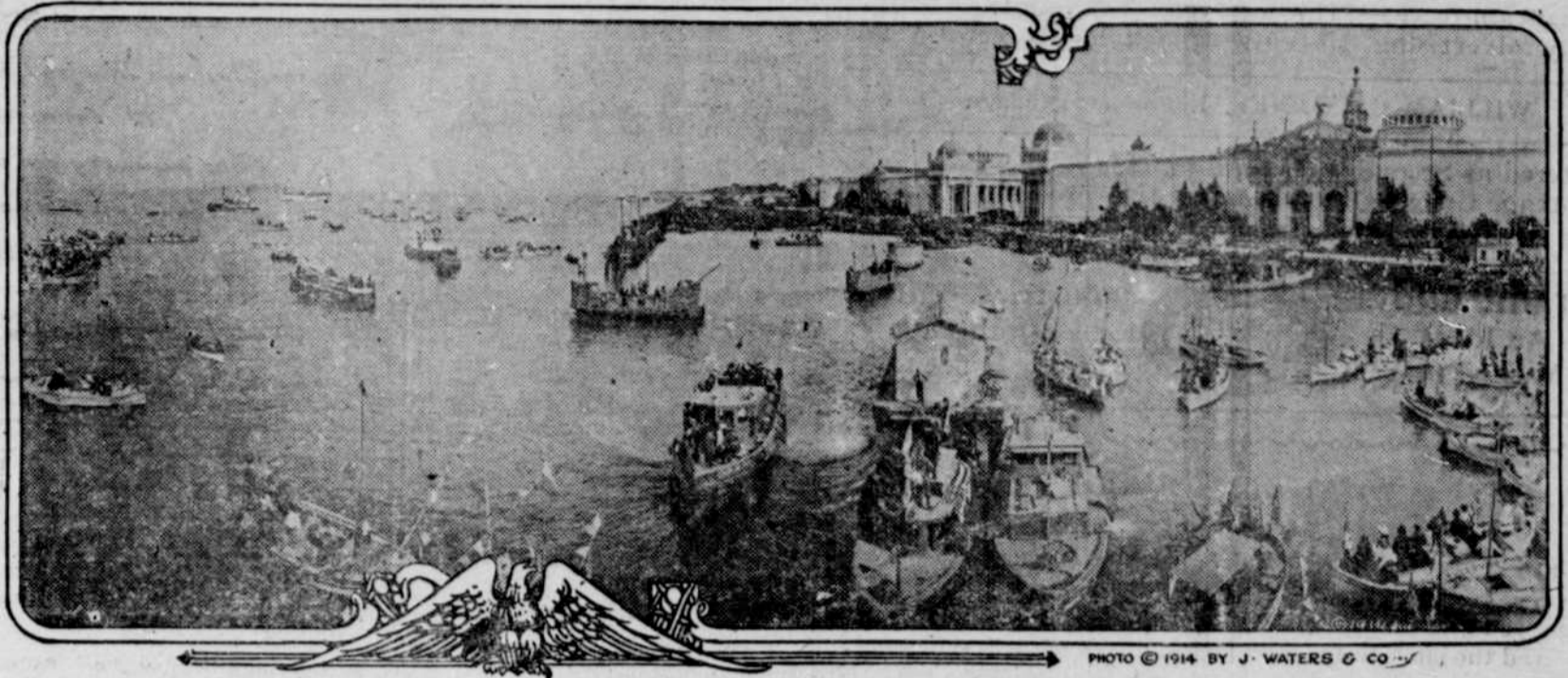
"What she was looking at was a photograph of her two sons in the uniform of the Prussian Infantry."

The following account of the rout of the Prussian guards is by Private Jackson of a Hampshire regiment:

"As soon as it was dark we heard the sound of trumpets, with a lot of shouting all along the line in front of us. We knew what this meant—the Germans had started to charge us. It was a night I shall never forget. They came shouting like mad. All we had to do was to keep up a rapid fire. They broke through our lines just below me."

"I fired about 150 rounds after I was wounded, as I could manage all right. It being my left hand, so I expect I killed or wounded a few Germans after they wounded me. When they broke through us we could see it was the kal-

Six Thousand Mile Motorboat Race to End at the Panama-Pacific International Exposition



Scene on the Exposition Yacht Harbor on San Francisco Bay Months Before the Great Fair Opens.

THE New York to San Francisco Cruising Power Boat Race for a prize of \$10,000, offered by the Panama-Pacific International Exposition, starts at Sea Gate, New York, from the Atlantic Yacht club on Oct. 1, 1915, and finishes at the Exposition Yacht Harbor on the Exposition grounds in San Francisco. It is the most important event in the history of

motorboat racing. The course is laid from New York to Charleston, S. C.; to Key West, around the western end of Cuba and on through the Caribbean sea to Colon, passing through the Panama canal to Panama northward to Corinto, Nicaragua; to Salina Cruz, Mexico; to San Pedro, Cal., and ends in San Francisco bay. The finish of the great race is timed to occur dur-

ing the splendid International Yachting Regatta to be held there, and several hundred thousand spectators will crowd the finish as the contestants dash in through the Golden Gate past the wonderful City of Palaces that has grown there to receive the honors due the winners and the losers of the most spectacular race of its kind ever run.

San Francisco bay is one of the finest harbors in the world and by many it is considered to be the most beautiful. It is ideal for yachting and boating, being protected on the ocean side by high hills and Mount Tamalpais, the only opening being the Golden Gate. The Exposition Yacht Harbor offers safe anchorage for yachts and power boats.

ber's crack regiment of Prussian guards. Well, I pity them that night as they must have lost very heavily. "As soon as they broke through below me an officer gave us the order to get out of the trench and be ready to meet them with the bayonet. He told the wounded to try to get back to headquarters the best way they could. "We just got our re-enforcements up in time to make a charge. I stood and watched them a minute as they came up to help us. They killed nearly every German that got through. The rest ran back to their trenches."

Civilians and Soldiers Quarrel.
London.—Military and civilian prisoners have to be kept in separate camps in England because it was found they constantly quarreled as to their respective bravery. The civilians accused the soldiers of surrendering and the soldiers accused the civilians of being afraid to go to the front, pitched battles being the inevitable result.

Hard Time Dance at the Armory
New Year eve, Dec. 31.

Germans Checked Before Warsaw

The third German advance on Warsaw has been definitely checked according to the views of the military situation in Poland held by the officials at Petrograd. In that territory the Germans who have been fighting fiercely for two weeks past have suffered great losses and they have failed to break through the Russian line which has been greatly reinforced before the Polish capital.

The failure of the Austrian advance through the Carpathians is said to have had a serious effect on the Austro-German campaign in the east.

LATEST NEWS FROM THE EUROPEAN WAR ARENA

The Leader failed to receive its war news pages from Portland Wednesday, hence comes out one day late this week.

British Bombs Destroy Zeppelin

Geneva, via Paris, Dec. 30.—News has reached Romanshorn from Freidrichshafen to the effect that during the recent British aerial raid on Cuxhaven one of the latest super-Zeppelins, which was completed two months ago, was entirely destroyed in its shed by bombs dropped by the aviators and that another Zeppelin escaped only by raising rapidly in the air.

It is stated that the British attack inland of Cuxhaven where the Zeppelins were stationed came as a complete surprise.

Germans Drop Bombs in Dunkirk

London, Dec. 30.—Four German aeroplanes flew several times over the city of Dunkirk Wednesday, dropping bombs as they went, according to the Dunkirk correspondent of the Daily Mail. Soldiers in the streets fired on the machines and one Taube seemed to be hit but all got away safely.

The official returns of the casualties show that fifteen persons were killed and thirty-two wounded. The bombs were filled with shrapnel.

Many Buildings Wrecked.

For half an hour the whole city crackled with rifles, shells and bombs which threw up dense clouds of black smoke. No sooner did one aeroplane seem to depart than another arrived. Buildings in all parts of the city were wrecked.

The first bomb fell on the fortifications, two more near the railroad station and many others in different parts of the town and in the suburbs of Rosendaell and the districts of Coudekerque and Furnes. One child had an arm blown off and an old woman was killed outright.

Exquisite Alcove In Court of the Four Seasons at World's Greatest Exposition



MONTHS in advance of its opening the Panama-Pacific International Exposition at San Francisco was 95 per cent completed. The photograph above shows a stately alcove in the Court of the Four Seasons, of which Henry Bacon, designer of the Lincoln memorial at Potomac Park, Washington, D. C., is the architect. In each of the four corners of the court are niches containing fountains and symbolizing the seasons—spring, summer, autumn and winter.