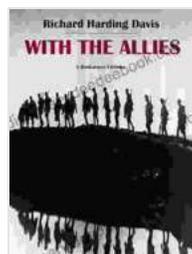


# With the Allies: A Personal Narrative of the European War (1914)

**By Richard Harding Davis**

Richard Harding Davis's "With the Allies: A Personal Narrative of the European War" is a first-hand account of the early days of World War I. Davis was a war correspondent for the New York Tribune and was embedded with the Allied forces in France and Belgium. His book provides a vivid and detailed description of the fighting, the conditions faced by the soldiers, and the impact of the war on the civilian population.

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**The Outbreak of War**

Davis begins his book by describing the outbreak of war in Europe in August 1914. He was in London at the time, and he witnessed the city's reaction to the news that Britain had declared war on Germany. Davis describes the scenes of panic and confusion as people rushed to the banks to withdraw their money and to the train stations to flee the city.

Davis then traveled to France, where he embedded himself with the French army. He witnessed the early battles of the war, including the Battle of the Marne, and he describes the courage and determination of the French soldiers.

### **The Conditions Faced by the Soldiers**

Davis also provides a detailed description of the conditions faced by the soldiers in the trenches. He describes the mud, the rats, and the constant shelling. He also describes the psychological toll that the war took on the soldiers, many of whom suffered from shell shock.

Davis's descriptions of the conditions in the trenches are both graphic and moving. He writes about the soldiers' suffering with great sympathy and compassion.

### **The Impact of the War on the Civilian Population**

Davis also describes the impact of the war on the civilian population. He writes about the refugees who fled their homes, the destruction of towns and villages, and the food shortages that plagued the civilian population.

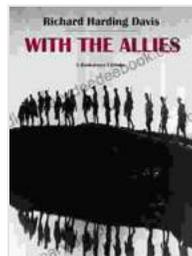
Davis's descriptions of the suffering of the civilian population are equally moving. He writes about the resilience of the people and their determination to survive.

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Davis's book is a must-read for anyone who wants to understand World War I.

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