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PAUL REVERE'S RIDE --- YESTERDAY AND TODAY:

1. Paul Revere's ride began across the Charles River from Boston, Massachusetts. According to a pre-arranged signal, one of Revere's friends had hung two lanterns in the steeple of the Old North Church, shown here beneath the mobile wrist of a saddled Revere.

"He said to his friend, "If the British march
By land or sea from the town tonight,
Hang a lantern aloft in the belfry arch
Of the North Church tower as a signal light,--
One, if by land, and two if by sea;
And I on the opposite shore will be;
Ready to ride and spread the alarm
Through every Middlesex village and farm,
For the country folk to be up and arm."

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