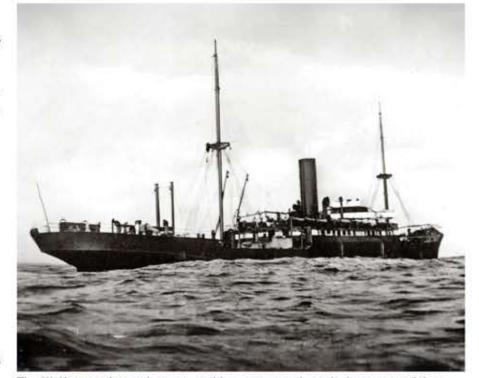
A drawing of Karl Nerger wearing the Pour le Merite.

EPIC VOYAGE OF THE BOLL OF THE

THIS GERMAN GREAT WAR RAIDER LITERALLY SAILED THE GLOBE IN SEARCH OF ALLIED PREY
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fter the Royal Navy
asserted its dominance via
the battle of Jutland in May
1916, German Admiral
Richard Scheer re-evaluated his
strategy and commenced laying plans
for a far-reaching campaign in which
surface raiders would join with the
U-Boats and prey on Allied shipping
in the Atlantic, Indian and Pacific
oceans.

Scheer outlined his plan to a group of specially selected officers. One was Boxer Rebellion veteran Korvettenkapitan Karl August Theodor Julius Nerger. Born during 1875, Nerger entered the Navy as a cadet in April 1893 and as a junior officer participated in the China Relief Expedition during the Boxer Rebellion. During this, he was decorated for bravery and intrepidity. During the summer of 1914, the Korvettenkapitan took command of



The Wolf at sea. As can be seen, nothing gave away her mission as one of the deadliest raiders of the Great War.

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