

MAIA, TAYGETA, ELECTRA, MEROPE, ATLAS, PLEIONE AND THE FAMOUS "SEVEN SISTERS IN THE STAR GROUP



ONE of the best known groups of stars in the heavens is the Pleiades, which frequently is erroneously called the "little dipper." These "Seven Sisters" figured prominently in ancient celebrations of the beginning of spring, since they once marked the sun's place in the heavens as it crossed the equator traveling north. NEXT: When red hail fell.

OTTAWA REPORTS

That New Regulations Will Tighten Control On Purchase Of Farm Machinery

Farm machinery production and by the Government these days ttawa is very conscious of the fact that vital food production may be affected by any miscalculations of the requirement of the farmers in this direction ... In spite of the fact that quotas

for manufacture of farm equip-ment have been very considerably enlarged during recent months new equipment is still difficult to obtain compared with normal times. It is still necessary to ra tion a wide variety of items of farm machiners and equipment and to otherwise control the sale of these goods, and the Adminis-trator of Farm Machinery for the Wartime Prices and Trade Board has announced some new regu-lations which tighten the control over conditions under which new farm machinery is sold.

War material must come first and implement plants both in Can-ada and the United States are still engaged on war orders. The supply of metal, although improved, is not yet nearly adequate have been made by Mr. Bloom, the Farm Machinery Administra-tor, with the United States War Production Board for the release in making farm machinery.

The new regulations now announced and included in a general consolidation of the farm machinery rationing order, con-cern the sales of machinery. One prohibits a dealer from putting to his own use machinery that he has obtained for re-sale to permission from the Board to do to prevent farmers from se used equipment merely for the purpose of obtaining new. From now on, no application for new equipment will be considered in these cases unless the farmer has previously filed with the Board's representative, a statement de scribing the used equipment he sold, giving his reasons for selling it, and a description of the new machinery he intends to buy. It is useless for him to try proceed with his purchase unless he has a notice from the Board's representative that his application for the new equipment will be given consideration.

Another provision has been made which is designed to prevent farmers, who have already been refused application for new machinery, from repeating their application through relatives. The Board now requires that applica-tions for new machinery must come only from those who have a leasehold or freehold interest In the property on which the new However it is some help to know that repairs for farm equipment are not on the rationed list, and that there are some thirty items

of new equipment which are not Coal for Poultry Breeders Two announcements issued re

THE WAR - WEEK - Commentary on Current Events

Eisenhower To Direct Western **Assault Into Heart of Germany**

three-front land offensive to be launched simultaneously against Germany from Russia. rom Italy and from Britain across the Channel, with Gen. Dwight D. Risenhower in supreme com-mand of the Anglo-American invasion army, was disclosed by President Roosevelt in his Christ-mas Day radiocast to the nation and to the armed forces in every espondent of The Christian Sch The Cairo and Teheran, Iran

conferences with Marshal Joseph Stalin, Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek and Prime Minister Winston Churchill brought, the President announced, agreement "on every oint ocncerned with the launching of a gigantic attack upon Ger nany."
Mr. Roosevelt revealed the broad

pattern of the climatic operations now in the making. Campaign High Lights He evidently felt it would

The Book Shelf

Forges of Freedom By Franklin Davey McDowell

Like a tapestry come to life this novel of fourteenth century England presents a vivid panorama of life in that romantic and turbulent age when the roads of England were the meeting-plac of knights and minstrels, merchants and pedlars, outlaws and

Mr. McDowell re-creates brilliantly the medieval scene and the pattern of life in England when, after three hundred years of Norman occupation. Englishmen from every walk of life drew their swords or forged them to fight There are many dramatic mee

when Watt Tyler met the King and his followers with Sir John de Redeware. Lord William de Rose and their partisans. Forges of Freedom tells the

VOICE OF THE PRESS

Dunnville Chronicle would like to know: "Why do people spend money they have not got to buy things they don't need to impress people they don't like?" All wa can suggest is the standard wo man's reason—because.

—Owen Sound Sun-Times

KNOWS HOW

MAKES HIM SQUIRM Hitler must find it a pain in the neck to read the handwriting on the wall when his back is almost against the same.

-Kitchener Record FACH GOT HIS DESERTS A Canadian soldier paid £1 fo bottle of whisky in an Edia burgh pub. The Canadian got cold

tea instead of whisky, and the pub owner got 30 days. Neither got what he wanted, but what each got was good for him. -Ottawa Journa! FAR BELOW CANINE LEVEL

Detroit police arrested a group of professional dog fight fans. A ter is a man sev-. eral degrees below a dog. -Detroit Free Press. NIGGER IN THAT WOODPILE

Ask some consumers about coal. and they shout: "For peat's sake don't mention it:" -Hamilton Spectator.

WHAT? AGAIN? Newspapers, like ladies, have to be careful. When there's a letdown their slip shows. -Ottawa Citizen.

try breeders across the country. The Department of Agriculture has announced that additional supplies of anthracite coal will be imported from the United States for the exclusive use of poultry breeders and hatcheries. This will apply to the districts where this fuel is customarily used.

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GUSTS OF

AIR.

ings in this novel, pictured in all The other announcement comes the pageantry of the period: the from the Wartime Prices and Trade Board and places a ceiling meeting of John of Gaunt and the on the prices of both soluble and "Grossers"; the march on London insoluble types of poultry grit. The celling prices which went in-to effect on December 16, affect manufacturers, importers, whole

story of that critical period



David Franklin McDowell . . .

Anglo-Saxon political developmen when the English first appeared as a nation. Mr. McDowell is the author of

The Champlain Road, an historical romance of Aucient Huronia, in Ontario's Georgian Bay Dis-General's Award for Fiction in 1939. Identified for many years with

the Canadian National Railways as Publicity Representative for the Central Region, Mr. McDowell is one of the many fiction writers trained by practical journalism. Widely known among press and magazine writers, his early years were spent as a reporter and feature writer, and he worked for a period in the United Kingdom. Forges of Freedom . . . Franklin Davey McDowell . . . The Macmillan Company

no help to the enemy to mak known: That the Russian Army will continue its stern offensives on Germany's Easiern Front. and Africa will bring relentless pressure on Germany from the

And that the encirclement will be complete as great American and British forces attack from other points of the compass.

The President explained tha General Eisenhower was selected to lead the combined attack from

these other points because "his performances in Africa, Sicily and Italy have been brilliant" and because "he knows by practical and successful experience the way to o-ordinate air, sea, and land Shifts In Commander

London revealed that General Eisenhower's assistant will be Gen. Sir Bernard L. Montgomery, the famed commander of Britain's Eighth Army, that Gen. Sir Henry Maitland Wilson will succee Gen. Eisenhower in the Mediterranean with an American general assisting him, and that Gen. Sin Harold Alexander will command the Allied forces in Italy. A British officer, to be an-

nounced by Prime Minister Churchill will succeed General Eisenhower in the Mediterranear and both the new comm will have American and British subordinate commanders. The choice of an American f

the Channel operation was dicburden to be borne there by American forces. The Mediterranean s to become largely a British un dertaking. British troops have from the beginning carried most ly three fourths of the troops op erating in Italy.

American forces entered that

area originally on the assumption that the French in Africa would resist Americans less tenaciously than they would resist the Bri-tish. French Africa now being in the war as an ally, that factor no longer governs. America's lane weight in Europe therefore shifts back to England as a base and an American commander be comes logical for that area. Magnitude of Problem

Indicating the gathering striking force now available in Britain and the powerful reserves which will be ready to follow up the coming cross-Channel invasion, as well as other operations, M Roosevelt said "there are now 3, 800,000 men in the American arm ed forces serving overseas and

that by July this number will rise to over 5.000.000. But with the settling upon General Eisenhower for the invasion command comes new indication of the magnitude of his problem The time cannot be very far in the distance. To take the fullest advantage of the Russian winter offensive it must come in the very early spring—before the spring thaws in Russia, or not much after the beginning of the thaw. The Germans must not be allow ed time to move forces from the Eastern to the Western Fronts. Element of Haste

That writes an element of urg-ent haste into the preinvasion bombing schedule. Not only must maximum damage be done to Ger man war industry during the next two or three months but the in ened and the primary coast de-fenses must be reduced to the minimum possible effectiveness.

The President frankly warned that the biggest and costliest bat said of the planned invasion,

Poor Fido

though its success was certain, its cost would be high and the

time might be long.

Britain has saved 460 thousand tons of shipping space in a year by importing "telescoped" meat. This is meat from which all bones CANADIANS IN SICILY



These ancient ruins in Sicily, crumbling evidence of a former civilization, was the setting for this Church of England communion being given here to a group of Canadians by Major Serson Clarke, of Ottawa, after a recent church service. (Canadian Army Overseas Photo).

Some Kind Words For Lowly Skunk

The lowly skunk has been given lot of most undeserved publicity, according to a man who claims to know much about these little animals, says The Trenton Courier Advocate. This man tells us that when a skunk is trapped, the other skunks will bring him a bed to lie on. Further than that, they will bring him food. He says he can prove this. If what this man says is true, and we are not doubting him a bit near any other animal, wild bit, name any other animal, wild or tame, that is so considerate of its own at a time like that.

Newfoundlanders Doing Full Share

Out of a male population in Newfoundland of 40,000 between the ages of 20 and 40, more than the ages of 20 and 40, more than a quarter have volunteered to serve abroad. Numbers of these men are with Newfoundland Artillery Regiments of the United Kingdom forces; with the Royal Navy, the Royal Air Force, the Merchant Marine and the Forestry Unit. Many have enlisted in the Canadian armed forces. In this Canadian armed forces. In this war as in the former world struggle, the Newfoundlanders are do-ing their full share of the fight-

Still Gets Around On High-Wheeler

From Regina comes a picture of a man in his seventies riding a high-wheel bicycle, relates the Woodstock Sentinel-Review. This machine, more than half a cen-tury old, is used today just as the ordinary bicycle or automobile -for the purpose of "getting around." What a difference in mechanism and in time and events between that high-wheeler and the latest tank. The owner of the high-wheeler is R. J. King, a Regina contrac-

> on the thing (quite a chore) back in Wingham, Ontario, 50 years ago." Mr. King said that he "used to go to work on it back in Ontario-Went a courtin' on it, too." Not without interest, in the light of the story and background of this high-wheeler, is the fact that it was built in Coventry, England. The firm which built it was still making bicycles when the war broke out. Probably the firm's building was blown to bits in the infamous Coventry blitz. The machine's front wheel is about 4½ feet high. Tires are solid rubber. "Sometimes," says Mr. King. "if you lose your balance, she'll throw you like a buck-ing broncho." With no attempt at lightness, it should be said that such news as this helps all to keep their balance in a troub-

tor. He says he "learned to get



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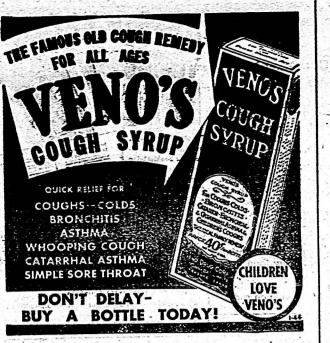
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Blitz Children Overcome Fear

Children Lose Nervousness Under Expert Care In Foster

The war may produce a generation of neurotic children, as some scientists predict, but the specialists who have cared for Britain's blitz babies do not think

The staff of the two Foster Parents' Nurseries in London has way of putting it that epitom says, "is the shelter of the mind. One mother, a comfortable and very placid woman, the mother of eig. children, when asked whether her rooms had been damaged by bombing, answered with a beaming smile, "Oh, no, we were ever so lucky. When any houst and my hus We had only blast and my hus_ band fixed the window frame

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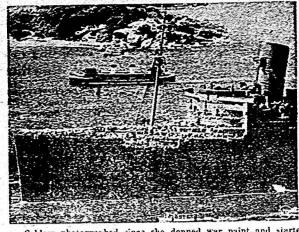
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OUEEN OF TRANSPORTS



Seldom photographed since she donned war paint and started ferrying Allied expeditionary forces to global battle fronts, the giant S.S. Queen Mary is pictured as loaded to the gunwales with troops she recently entered an unnamed port.



CHAPTER XI

rives at Wilbur Ferris' Cross-Bar ranch. Curran, the foreman, promises him a job if he can break a horse called Black Dawn. When he succeeds, he discovers Curran expected the horse to kill him. A girl named Lois rides up, angry with Dave for breaking "her" horse. She refuses to speak to Dave even when he uses his savings to pay off the mortgage or the small ranch she shares with her foster father, a man named Hooker. When Hooker is killed by a shot fired through the window, Lois has him arrested for murder. Faced with almost certain hanging, Dave is awaiting his trial

going to hang Dave Bruce."
"You betcha we are!" shouted

Grouse and Quail Scarce In Ontario

Mother's Example

By way of contrast there was

ed Jim. She never went to bed so long as an air raid warning last-

ed, but stood at the door trem-bling, insisting that the boy, only five, stand beside her. Separated

from her, he lost almost all his nervous habits and showed no

special alarm when the sirens sounded. "The point is," explained a

staff member, "that children rely so much upon the adults around them. So long as the grown-up

remains calm so does the child."

Apart from fitting a child into

the next best thing to his own

home a nursery where there is

continuing happy family — the therapy employed is mainly an application of the well-known

rinciple of child psychology that

he best way to overcome fright

is to play over and over again the experiences that caused fear. Thus, the children beyond the

baby stage have taken up air raid games, and more recently commando games, the 1943 equiv-

alent of "cops and robbers"
"cowboys and Indians."

Sportsmen who have visited that the ranks of the partridge (the American ruffed grouse) are becoming pretty well deplet-ed, according to The Chatham News. Some years ago this splendid game bird, after a period of protection, increased in num-bers and afforded some good hunting. Here in this section of Ontario they have been scarce this fall. Possibly the severe weather and heavy snowfall experienced last winter, which covered their food supply, destroyed some of them. Probably a good many others fell victim to the gunners. If the ruffed grouse are again to become plentiful n the swamps and on the wooded ridges they must be left un-disturbed another year or two. As to the quail or bob-white, it

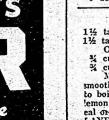
is very questionable whether there should again be an open season for this handsome game bird whose habitat in Ontario practically is confined to the southern corner. The quail falls easy prey to the gunner, and is but ill-equipped to make much of a fight for existence. The huntsmen could well leave the bob-whites unmolested, and confine their hunting to the partridge and the pheasant, better adapted to look out

Armistice Coach Said Destroyed

quoted Swedish eyewitnesses as saying that last week's raids on Berlin had destroyed the famous French Compiegne railway coach in which the 1918 and 1940 armistices were signed.

The eyewitresses said the

Zeughaus (war museum) on Ber-Zeughaus (war museum) on Ber-lin's Unter den Linden, contain-ing this and other war trophies, was leveled. The Germans sign-ed their armistice in the coach at the end of World War I. In a the French to sign there in 1940.





SYNOPSIS

Dave Bruce, out of a job, arcial friend of mine, as far as I "Maybe I could be," said the foreman. "Maybe I've tried to Listen I guess you know I stand in purty well with Mr. Ferris. Fact is, he couldn't git rid of me even if he wanted to. It ain't no secret to you that Lonergan's got the mortgage on the Cross-Bar, and put me in to run it?"

Lois was silent, and Curran confinued. "I shouldn't be s'prised if I was to be the owner of the Cross-Bar one of these days. Half-owner, anyways. And that time ain't so far away. I been watchin' you for a good while, Miss Lois. You're growed up to be a woman

when Curran goes to call on Lois. "Well, Miss Lois, this shore is bad news," Curran said, and Lois could see that his face was black-ened and his lip badly swollen from the beating that Dave had given him the day before. "It doesn't make any difference now," said Lois gravely. "Hooker's dead. I guess you fellows are

about it?" "I'll tell you what I been thinkin'," answered the foreman, su-premely confident. "How about you and me gittin' hitched? You'll find yoreself livin' like a queen, compared to this."
"That's sure some picture

now. It ain't fair to yoreself,

livin' up here in the hills and run-

nin' as wild as a scrub pony. And

now Hooker's gone, yuh can't go on livin' here alone."

"What d'you want me to do

said Lois. "You were never a spe

you're drawin'. Mr. Curran," ans-



"You try that trick again, Mr. Curran, and I'll set the herd on you." wored Lois, "Only it don't seem tenin' in the jail at the expense to register somehow. I'd rather

Black Dawn.

ed and heaving breast.

you," she said.

wild brones.

tried to press his lips to hers.

A resounding slap reddened the foreman's cheek. Lois broke away,

confronting him with fists clench-

"You try that trick again. Mr.

Curran, and I'll set the herd on

Curarn's glare had something of fear in it. He had seen enough

of Lois' strange power over the

He turned away, went slowly

back to where he had left his

horse, climbed into the saddle. "You think over what I said." he

called. "You'd be crazy to turn

down a proposition like that.

Think you'll be gittin' a better one, huh? I'll see yuh at the

hangin' and I'll be comin' back

Lois watched him ride away.

the cost of a jury trial at Hamphave my brones." Curran glared at her, a self-pos-sessed little figure, standing erect ton. We always acted on that principle, and we're always goin' to do in her chaps and stained over-alls. With one hand he could have so. There's goin' to be some fur tonight. Miss Lois." swing her into the air. Desire "I'll be there," said Lois. and thwarted will united in the "Meanin' yuh want to see the resolve to overcome here, to break her, as Dave Bruce had broken

Lois nodded. Curran looked at her curiously at first; then, as his eyes took in the lines of her slender body, his face-flushed. He took another step toward her and stood looking down at her. She hardly reached to his shoulder. "What yuh aimin' to do now yore dad's dead?" he asked, as the sheriff had done. "I haven't made my plans," Lois answered. "I reckon I know how to mind my business, Mr.

of the town, and saddlin' us with

Curran." Curran flushed. "Why the Mister?" he asked. "And how come you call yore dad Hooker?" "Maybe you can tell as well as

I can," answered Lois. That was Curran's first intimation that she knew Hooker had not been her father. He had sense enough not to pursue the sub-ject, but it acted like the fuse-cap on a stick of dynamite, clinching his resolution. "You never acted very warm to-

She felt perfectly secure. A whistle from her would have "I don't know why I should," bronght the herd running head-SURPRISE CREAM FILLING

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There's No Short Cut to Victory

For nearly 180 years we have been bombing German cities many times more heavily than London was ever bombed. The Nazis haven't yet shown one definite sign of cracking, warns the Fir-

ancial Post.

Three months ago we landed on the mainland of Italy. At no time have we registered a sustained advance of more than a few miles Along the whole coast of Western Europe the country is mined and studded with guns of all calibres to a depth of a hundred miles. To these formidable defences has

now been added winter. These facts do not point to any short cut to victory. As Prime Minister Churchill warned in London the other day, there is no in dication that we can win this war without a staggering bill in blood

and treasure. It is possible that Germany might collapse before the armie of the Western democracies are called upon to face an Armageddo in Eastern Europe. But we would be blind fools to count on such an outcome; to ease in our war effort, to weaken our national capacity to withstand horror and disaster by assuming that we are now pretty well out of the woods.

Air Travel Speedy To Airman's Home

Here is an example of speedy air travel. Squadron Leader D. S. Florence, D.F.C.. now serving as a navigator in the Atlantic Serv-ice operated by Trans-Canada Air Lines for the Canadian Government, not long ago reached his home in Edmonton just 52 hours after leaving a North Brit-ish airport—and only 37 hours were spent in travelling, time down at Montreal, Ottawa, To-ronto, North Bay, Winnipeg, Lethbridge and Calgary making up the remainder. The air dis-tance covered in the trans-Atlantic crossing and Trans-Can-ada Air Lines flights represent-ed approximately 5,600 miles. long with Black Dawn leading, a

fighting, tearing, kicking, crunching fury.
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