GENGHIS KHAN AND THE MONGOL HORDE by harold lamb

Once a man almost conquered all the earth. He did make himself master of half our world more than seven hundred years ago.

His name was Genghis Khan.

As a boy the Khan was known as Temuiin, the Iron One. At the age of nine he succeeded his father as head of a harddriving, ferocious tribe of Mongols who were always on the move, plundering and destroying as they went. As other tribes united with the Khan, the Mongol horde pushed on from the bare Gobi Desert, conquering what we now call China, Iran, Russia and Mongolia. The farthest corners of the Khan's realm were linked by his couriers, who could cover 150 miles a day on horseback. And as they returned, they brought tales of a strange outer world with its written language, woven fabrics, and wealth of scientific information.

In Genghis Khan and the Mongol Horde, Harold Lamb gives a vivid picture of the amazing man whose conquests broke down the barriers of the Dark Ages and put Asia in touch with Europe.

HAROLD LAMB's first book on Genghis Khan was published in 1927 and has been widely printed and read in all sections of the world. Among his other books are The Crusades, Alexander of Macedon, Theodora and the Emperor and, more recently, Charlemagne: The Legend and the Man.

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