

### Pen Pals

"Young Malaysians Magazine, Kuala Lumpur, Malaya. "Up to date I have received 450 letters from pen pals. I have replied to 150 of them. For the rest I am sorry for being unable to do so. I am heavily indebted to all the writers and hope those unable to get a reply please forgive me.


ROSENAH SULAIMAN,  
Tanjong Lobang, Malaya.

Yes, that is an actual letter received by the Young Malaysians magazine published in Malaya for boys and girls of high school age. The magazine has a Pen Pals column and Rosenah Sulaiman requested correspondents—and with what results. Besides articles of general interest to youth, there is a column for stamp collectors, and interesting letters from correspondents are published. However, the primary purpose of the magazine is to promote the formation of Young Malaysians clubs in the high schools of Malaya, Singapore, Borneo, North Borneo, Brunei and Sarawak. The magazine forms a connecting link between the various clubs. Each club is completely under the direction of its own members. The purpose is to provide good wholesome fun and to foster friendship with youth in other localities.

The magazine must have an extensive circulation because the Pen Pals' column shows names from Australia, England, United States, India, Burma, New Zealand, Eire, South Africa, Philippine Islands and Japan; in addition to the six countries in southeast Asia mentioned above.

Students of the Brookings-Harbor high school might very well form a similar club. It would

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## VENUS FADES FROM VISION

By J. HUGH PRUETT

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The planet Venus, which all year so far has been so splendid in the western evening sky—a small neighbor called it "tremendous"—will soon be lost in the solar rays. On April 13 it will be in inferior conjunction. This means it will pass almost between the earth and the sun.

be both educational and entertaining. The editor of Young Malaysians magazine would no doubt furnish suggestions for the formation of such a club, upon request. As for Pen Pals, the secretary of the club can write to Young Malaysians and request letters to be distributed to members and after publication, probably bags of mail will arrive.

The club might subscribe to the Young Malaysians magazine, \$3 per annum, for circulation among its members. The Illustrated Weekly of India, published in Bombay, is another magazine which has an extensive circulation in Asia and has a Pen Pal column. The annual subscription for this latter magazine is \$10.

Both of these magazines are printed in English. Many Orientals are especially desirous of corresponding with Americans, and both magazines will no doubt be glad to give publicity to a Young Americans Pen Pal Club.

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Somewhat later, it will reappear in the dawn as a "morning star." the west-northwest for a few evenings yet.

Brilliant Jupiter is still well up in the west shortly after sunset. Below Jupiter little red Mars is easily seen but is not very bright. An Idaho star student two months ago, noticing Mars huddling near gorgeous Venus and with most of his glory gone because of distance, remarked that this famous god of war "now looks like a hen-pecked husband."

#### Saturn Now Rising

Saturn is now rising slightly south of due east only shortly after sunset and is still quite close to the bright star Spica. Spica twinkles; Saturn does not. Mercury clears the eastern horizon a little before sunrise, but is too low for easy observation.

The five mentioned above are planets, other worlds of our own solar system and relatively near us. For spotting the brighter of the real stars, themselves enormous blazing suns and extremely distant, let us observe about an hour after sunset.

Well up in the sky about due east, orange Arcturus, which in 1933 turned on the lights of the

Chicago world's fair, is seen at the southern tip of the Kite, a large figure now lying on its side.

Just below the wide part of the Kite, and north of Arcturus, an interesting half circle of little stars forms the Northern Crown. Far over in the north-northeast, bright Vega is rising—or soon will be. Very high in the south-southeast Regulus is prominent.

#### Sirius Bright In the West

Turning our gaze toward the western sky, we find brilliant Sirius, the dog star, a little south in the southwest the attractive stars of the large Orion group are prominent. The brightest two are blue-white Rigel and, considerably above it, reddish Betelgeuse. About midway between these two,

the short line of three evenly spaced stars immediately catches the eye. This is Orion's Belt.

Considerably above Sirius and toward the zenith, the little dog star, Procyon, is conspicuous. Still higher, Castor and Pollux are bright only a little southwest of the zenith. Pollux is the southern and orange-colored one of the pair.

Well up in the sky and almost due west there stands upright a V-shaped stellar figure, all the stars of which are rather faint with the exception of orange Aldebaran. Very high and slightly north of west yellow Capella attracts our attention.

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