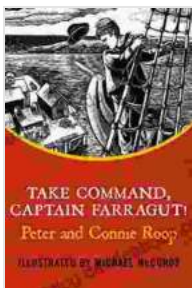


Take Command: Captain Farragut and the Pursuit of Glory



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Captain David Farragut, a towering figure in American naval history, rose to prominence during the Civil War with his bold leadership and unwavering determination. This in-depth account delves into Farragut's life, exploring his rise from humble beginnings to becoming one of the most celebrated naval commanders of all time.

Early Life and Career

David Glasgow Farragut was born on July 5, 1801, in Campbell's Station, Tennessee. His father, George Farragut, was a Spanish merchant, and his mother, Elizabeth Shine, was a native of South Carolina. Farragut's early years were spent in Tennessee and Mississippi, where he developed a love for the sea.

At the age of nine, Farragut was appointed a midshipman in the United States Navy. He served on several ships during the War of 1812, and by the age of 21, he had risen to the rank of lieutenant.

In the years following the War of 1812, Farragut continued to serve in the Navy, holding various commands and assignments. He gained a reputation for his seamanship and leadership skills, and by the outbreak of the Civil War in 1861, he was one of the most experienced and respected officers in the Navy.

The Civil War

When the Civil War broke out, Farragut was 59 years old. Despite his age, he was eager to serve his country, and he was soon given command of the Western Gulf Blockading Squadron.

Farragut's first major victory came at the Battle of New Orleans in April 1862. He led his squadron past Confederate forts and up the Mississippi River, capturing the city and effectively cutting the Confederacy in two.

Farragut's most famous victory came at the Battle of Mobile Bay in August 1864. He led his fleet through a narrow channel, past Confederate forts, and into the bay. The battle was a decisive victory for the Union, and it helped to secure control of the Gulf of Mexico.

Farragut's leadership and courage during the Civil War earned him the admiration of both his fellow officers and the American people. He was promoted to the rank of rear admiral in 1862, and to the rank of vice admiral in 1864. In 1866, he became the first admiral in the United States Navy.

Later Life

After the Civil War, Farragut continued to serve in the Navy. He commanded the European Squadron from 1867 to 1868, and he was appointed to the rank of admiral in 1870.

Farragut died in Portsmouth, New Hampshire, on August 14, 1870. He was buried in Woodlawn Cemetery in New York City. Farragut is remembered as one of the greatest naval commanders in American history. His courage, determination, and leadership skills helped to ensure the Union victory in the Civil War.

Legacy

Captain David Farragut's legacy is one of courage, determination, and leadership. He was a brilliant naval commander who played a key role in the Union victory in the Civil War. His legacy continues to inspire naval officers and sailors to this day.

Several ships have been named in Farragut's honor, including the USS Farragut (DDG-99), a guided-missile destroyer. There are also several statues of Farragut, including one in Washington, D.C., and one in his hometown of Campbell's Station, Tennessee.

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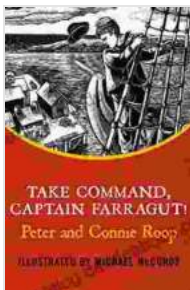


The USS Hartford, Farragut's flagship during the Civil War



Further Reading

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- Farragut (National Park Service)
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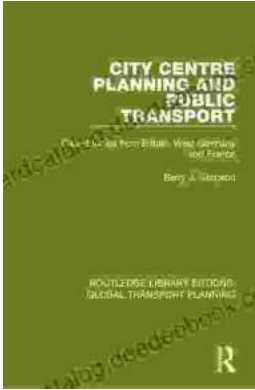
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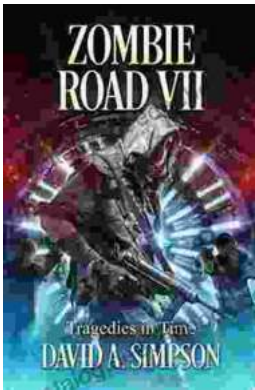
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