

Divine Message in the Bursting Buds of Spring

The spring miracle, of which Easter | ered an ending, but only an interval between this life and another life is at once a symbol, and a culmination, is still, probably always will be. since that first of all Easter day dawned upon this world of humanity a puzzle to which natural science ofand certain hope of a harvest-time res urrection from the dead.

There is no joy like that of Easter tide, and I think it is a fine thing to give expression to our joy. It was that impulse that taught men and women to wear something new at this season. The Easter hat has a significance of its own. It means that the during one of its early visits on the lovely, ornamental part of humanity line. is rejolcing and very happy in the joy of Easter. It shows a responding to orderly, in the mountains. He made a the angel message "He is Risen," and single, "oiling passage with heavy mall ave with Him we new hope, new life, A few years ago a good bishop said a good deal in denunciation of "\$25, actually, \$25 paid for a new hat," and that by his faithful wife! I am not sure, but I imagine that since then a all the sacks. It became the custom good many twenty-fives have gone the for cooks along the steep mountain same way. And I cannot see anything trail to tempt the little borros as they blameworthy in the expenditure, if it has not taken money that should have been spent in other good works, For the best, therefore the most representative part of humanity, thereby sets forth the joy of mankind in the Resurrection, and the happiness that has come to it from the defeat of sin and death by the Man, Christ Jesus, It is one way of letting our "joy he known unto all men," as an inspired writter advised.

# WORLD WAR YARNS by Lieut. Frank E. Hagan

## "The Records of the Sixth"

When the old soldiers of the army were good ones, you couldn't find their equal in wartime value, anywhere, One of the best of the good ones was Sergeant Major Ullrich of the Sixth infantry, an outfit attached to General Pershing himself during part of its

There was little of the military in Ulirich's appearance. He was a "paper" man almost solely, the sergeant major being, in effect, the general manager of a regiment.

No recruit was so insignificant that Ullrich didn't know all about him before he'd had a single pay day in the Sixth; no detail escaped his wise old eyes. And most of what he learned he kept on file simply by entrusting it to

Shortly after war was declared, the army did an almost unprecedented thing. Ullrich, the enlisted man, was commissioned a major and ordered to report to the adjutant general's department at Washington. The oldtimer was to round out his thirty years' service as an officer.

Wearing his major's uniform, old Ullrich bade good by to two of his closest friends. "They've spolled a d-d good sergeant major to make an awfully poor major," he confessed to Col. Matthlas Crowley of the Fiftyfourth infantry. Then, tears streaming down his face, he shook hands in farewell with another colonel, Robert Noble of the Sixth infantry, Ulirich's own regiment, and stumbled down the

Noble stood on the porch of his quarters, eyes following Ullrich until the erstwhile sergeant major had almost disappeared. Then, with a shrug of the shoulders toward the departing soldler, he said sadly to his adjutant : 'Captain, there go the records of the

## "The Fast Mountain Mail"

Persons as distinguished as the late Mrs. Potter Palmer of Chicago rode in the cab of Philip Goldstein before the war. They should have seen him later, in the Vosges, as he piloted 'Goldstein's Fast Mountain Mall."

Goldstein emerged from the war as a sergeant with a sterling record of service. Not the least of his accomplishments was delivering the mall on time to his regimental headquarters

Goldstel was a corporal and mall as a humorist, he sometimes does tell a good story, especially during his have risen also to sacks to an advanced p. c. Then be brief fishing trips down in Virginia.

# Age of Soldiers

According to statistics complied by the Veterans' bureau, out of 500,000 United States officers and enlisted men serving in the World war, the average age was 24.95 years.

## Indian Castes

It is not known definitely just when castes originated in India. Records are not available until the Vedic Arya period, about 1200 B. C. Castes were then in existence,

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Was Your

fers no solution. What is the force that makes life to pulsate where for months all has been deadness? What and where is the heart that sets all vegetable life a-going?

In defiance of ordinary law, water runs uphill in millions of tree trunks and flower stems; some hidden unexplainable mystery of life sends herbage up from myriads of graves, renewing plant lives in their own order, wintry death has given place to resurrection life.

How? Why? Shall we ever know enough about this mystery to be able to explain in terms of purely physical life? a writer in the Montreal Family Herald asks. To say that roots, bulbs, tubers have a germ of life in them which the spring season calls into vigor tells me nothing. How does it happen? Who gives the signal for it? What is this germ, this mystery of life? Can science make one? Where is the pump that sends billions of watery matter elimbing up trees, and plants on top of the highest points in the landscape? Gravity can have nothing to do with it. Where is the great throbbing, pumping heart of nature? What controls it to stop at one time of the year and start again at another time? All that we can say about it is that a miracle happens each spring. Resurrection from the dead, worked by a Power outside of and beyond all our human mechanics?

#### Symbol in Spring Awakening.

As I wrote some years ago, it is my belief that spring is earth's Easter time, its rising again to renewed life; the vegetable kingdom printing upon the world's surface the all-important news for mankind: "Because I live, ye shall live also!" For the spring awakening is purely typical of the return of the life principle to the dead body of the second Adam or Head of our race at the "Spring of souls," when He too came forth from the ground with the promise of another summer and a blessed harvest time for con kind. It is that sure and spleadid hope that makes Easter a festival time. It is founded on the angel's message to the women "Christ is risen from the dead !" It carries the logical coroliary, confirmed by the Divine Muster's own words, "Because I live, ye shall five also!" Every little pale green shoot in the woods and fields, every crocus, hepatica or spring beauty, and gleaming bloodroot blossom sings out if we would heed it.

Since I am here, doubt not He rose And keep with me His Easter day.

#### Life After Winter's Deadness.

Easter comes most appropriately at the earth's resurrection time from its winter's deadness. Life from death is the message of spring and of Easter two. Death is no longer to be consid-

Death is such an appalling fact, you know, Human nature instinctively drends and rebels against it. It I something imported into humanity. which after all these centuries since man was first made still comes as a shock to it. We were not intended, not designed to meet that shock! None can escape it. Death comes to every-

one as a stop to all worldly activities. That One had actually overcome death. and proved that it was for the future to be a gate to another, larger, compensating life, and no longer a prison gate, swinging open only one way, inwards, because of sin, was amazing news to the world. Only the Creator of man and the Manager of all things, could have accomplished a change like that! Just as we cannot but see that only He could set a-going that principle which works the spring miracle of life renewed out of wintry deadness.

#### Brought Hope to World.

It was something new to men, this application of the spring miracle to poor humanity. It meant that our sin no longer brought the inevitable, un avoidable penalty of eternal banish ment from the light of heaven, Like the blessed spring it brought hope to the world. Just as every spring sent good faithful men out on to the land to sow their grain in hope of a harvest time, so might men stand by gravesides of their dead loved ones in sure



## Mandrake and Easter Connected in Iceland

In Iceland there is a quaint Easter superstition about that welrd root, the mandrake. If one wishes to become suddenly rich-and who does not-he must possess a mandrake root and steal a coin from a poor widow at early mass on Easter Sunday. When the stolen coin is placed beside the mandrake it will, mysteriously and immediately, draw all coins of like denominations to itself from every individual's purse in the church. But the root can only exercise this magic when it is dug from the ground on Good Friday before sunrise by a man with a sharp sword and an undesirable black dog. Superstitions say that the terrible shricks of the uprooted herb will immediately kill the black dog and therefore save the man and bring him luck and fortune. John of Arc is supposed to have carried at all times a female mandrake possesing great magical powers.

# EASTER OMENS

IN ENGLAND and France it is considered a good omen to see a lamb on Easter morning when one first looks out of the bedroom window. If the lamb's head is turned toward the house any wish that is made will come true. It is commonly thought that the devil can take the form of any creature in the world except the lamb and the dove.

#### Colored Easter Eggs

When eggs first became identified with the Christian festival they were dyed red to commemorate the blood of Christ, shed on Calvary. But this practice did not remain universal, for it is recorded that Edward I, in 1305, ordered "450 dozen eggs to he stained in bolling and some to be covered with golf leaf" for distribution in the royal household.

decided his duties must be lightened. On his second delivery, the mail bags were strapped on the backs of two burros. They were tiny animals but one of them could have handled straggled past, with kitchen delicacies from the army stores.

"Hey! You're delaying the Goldstein Mountain Mall," Corporal Goldstein would shout indignantly to the cooks. And he'd urge one burro, then the other, into action up the narrow trail.

"I gotta use two of 'em," he explained confidentially to the regimental adjutant one day. "So's I can leave spots on 'em to reach with a spur." Saying which he swung the limb of a tree against the nearest burro with a resounding whack! And the "Fast Mountain Mail of Goldstein" was on its way again.

# The Passing of a Sea Power

Exactly ten days after the Armis tice, the Germany navy surrendered. Sallors aboard the New York, Texas, Wyoming, Arkansas and Florida (the Sixth Battle squadron) on November 21, 1918, participated in the surrender. The five American battleships were in what was known as the red line of two groups which maneuvered into position so that a highway of victory was formed down which the German vessels steamed to lower their colors at sunset.

Directly ahead of the American ships that day was the British Fifth squadron.

The British destroyer Cardiff went ahead to pick up the German vessels. This it did and the long black forms of the enemy boats were first sighted by the allied fleet shortly after nine o'clock. It was an impressive sight as the German fleet, led by the Seidlitz, Moltke and Hindenburg, passed by. The Allled vessels were in complete silence. Every man was at his post. Every gun was manned.

The lines closed in behind the fleet which had passed in surrender, A band aboard Admiral Beatty's flagship, the Queen Elizabeth, played "The Star Spangled Banner." A second band, on Admiral Rodman's flagship, played "Hall to the Chief." German sea power was no more.

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## **On Cutting Characters**

But life cannot be made to "fit" anybody, and the novelist who makes the attempt will find himself cutting something that gets smaller and smaller, finer and finer until he must begin cutting his characters next to fit the thing he has made .- "Novels and Novelists," by Katherine Mansfield.

It was on one of these occasions that he remarked, after argument on prosperity, or rather the lack of it :

"I don't want to appear blased because I myself am a Californian, but I really do believe the nation as a whole would be better off if it followed the California style a little. "You know, California simply

**Appeal for President** 

won't be outdone. It must be first in everything. Why, not more than a month ago, after triplets had been born in Florida, a hospital in Los Angeles announced quadruplets and I understand that preparations for the 1940 census have already begun in earnest."-Los Angeles Times.

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#### **Budgeting Mice**

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#### Tree Had Sealed Pipe

When A. R. Sullivan, of Tacoma, picked up a piece of wood to throw into his stove, clos examination disclosed that an old plpe had been sealed in the heart of a tree, and that 80 rings had ground around It. William Bonney, curator of the Washington State Historical society, declared that the pipe had probably been placed in a hole in a fir tree nearly 100 years ago by some trapper or hunter.

#### Keeping It Going

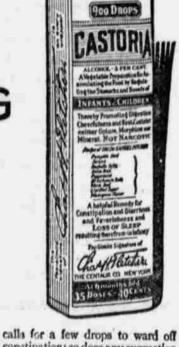
"I want to see the boss," "What do you want to see him about?"

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"About a job."

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