

Emblems of Easter 2 S



Where lilies grow To virgins in a row, Faith hovers nigh; Where lilies breathe, Prayers lift On high; And a lily dies Only when God sighs. . . .

California has the most unique religious event in the world, the annual Easter pilgrimage up Mount Rubidoux, Riverside.

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Mt. Rubidoux

Pilgrims and pilgrimages have been many from the time of Chaucer down, and year after year the great pilgrim centers have steadily drawn the massed crowds. The office of pilgrims may be found in the old service books. There was an appropriate costume, the cockle hat and staff of an invariable shape, and the scrip hung about the neck. The sign of the Canterbury pilgrimage was a bell; the pilgrim to the Holy land wore a cross formed of strips of colored cloth, and one who returned from a long pilgrimage might be as thickly decorated as a modern soldier, with palms and medals and clasps. But these pilgrimages were made by people of one creed; the Rubidoux Easter service knows no limitations: it is for people of all creeds, and it is for people of no creed. It is uni rersal.

among the great gray bowlders. Then we dismount and wait.

There is a moment's pause. On one hand San Antonio lifts his majestic, white-crowned head above the clinging mists; on the other, faint green and saffron pink herald the dawn. Then, as if for a signal, the golden rim of the rising sun comes up above the eastern slope, color grows and flickers, streaming zenithward, and, as if in response, a cornet sounds clear and strong above the throng, "Jerusalem, Jerusalem, Lift Up Your Voice and Sing." Following comes a dear, familiar hymn, the hymn that everybody can sing, and that everybody does sing. Oh, that great volume of song rising from the mountain top! How it thrills the soul. How it catches away the breath for a moment to listen to that "great voice of a great multitude."

No Set Form of Service.

The service is impressive in its simplicity. There are no forms; there is no litany. The Lord's prayer, cripture reading, responsive,

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This case grew out of the action of Strohemier in the marketing of a cough drop which he claimed, on the package, was "Medicated with Vick's VapoRub." As to this al-leged medication, Judge Thompson says in his decision: says in his decision:

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is no real medication by means of Co. Wins Suit product. That being the case, that statement of medication is false and untrue. I am not satisfied that the Philadelphia, April 14. — Judge defandant has introduced any testi-Thompson, presiding in United mony to sustain his claim that States district court for the eastern Vicks VapoRub is used at all in his

Vicks VapoRub is the sole prod-Vick Chemical Company in its case uct of Vick Chemical Co., and has aaginst Frederick E. Strohmeier, in which emphasis is placed by the court upon protection of the buy-ing public against fraudulent use of a trade name, Vick's VapoRub. "The defendant will be onicined." of the public and the extent of "The defendant will be enjoined," of the public, and the extent of Judge Thompson's decision reads, "against use of the plaintiff's trade evidence that over 260,000,000 jars name, as he has been using it, to have been sold since 1910, throughdeceive and perpetrate a fraud upon out the United States and in over the public and, by pirating its trade 60 countries abroad. It was charged mark, to injure and damage the that the defendant, Strohmeier, by reputation the plaintiff has built up. pirating the Vick trade name, was "A decree may be entered for trying to establish his unknown an injunction accordingly and for product by associating it in the damages sustained by the plaintiff and profits derived by the defendant thus not only accomplishing infrom his acts of infringement and fringement but perpettrating a fraud upon the public. The decision

Epitaph for a dead cat in a "I find from the medical testi- daneway: Sans purr, but not sans

While the tall maid is stooping the little one hath swept the house.-English proverb.

Even contention is better than loneliness.—Irish proverb.

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At first thought, it seems un-Amer ican. It is difficult to realize that the modern world of motors and airplanes. speed mad, will pause for simple, un affected worship with nothing of the spectacular to attract, and ascend a mountain top at daybreak for simple devotion. But, that people are de vout, that they long for simplicity in devotion, is proved by the fact that last year, at a conservative estimate, 3,500 people ascended the mountain.

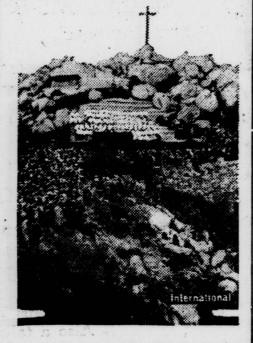
The Road to Rubidoux.

Rubidoux is finely situated for such an event. One wonders if Jacob Riis, when, with a handful of people, he inaugurated this service, saw the vast possibilities of its future. The mountain rises abruptly from the level plain, and is just outside of Riverside. A splendid road, a marvel of engineering, leads to the summit, the ascent and descent being over adjoining shoulders of the mountain for greater safety. The grade is easy, the curves smooth. Near the top, on a mesa, is a parkway, where machines are left at one side, to be cared for until they are required for the descent. It is a wonderful sight to see that long unbroken chain of automobiles ascending and descending, and the wast throng of people massing on the mountain top. Meanwhile, over the sugged mountain side, along the trails, threading hidden paths, clambering everywhere and walking along the smooth roadside, throng the people Qa: foot.

In Long Procession.

Long before daybreak, while it is yet dark, and Rubidoux is only a deeper shadow on the horizon, one hears the Hurrying footsteps on the street and, later, the sound of wheels, then you become one with the long procession. Above you the lights climb, fwinkling again, and one looks down, as each curve is rounded, on an interminable climbing row of lights below winding about the rugged bulk, until, at length, the mountain seems sentient, not rock and stone, but thrilling with life. Except for the soft grinding of the wheels, it is silent, for footfalls make no sound. Except for the radiance of the moon, or the momentary flare of a headlight, it is all soft darkness. The light begins to shimmer into a gray translucence, and colors show here and there, a floating vell, a sweater, and, as we pass, brilliant masses of wild flowers show clear yellow, blue or pink

known hymns, and always the reading of Dr. Henry Van Dyke's peem, "God on the Open Air." An anthem has been written by Carrie Jacobs Bond for use at the service; it is entitled "Behold the Easter Dawn." Miss Magcella Craft sang the solo parts in this and in two other songs; last year. The number of singers was greatly augmented. Mr. Carl Bronson, one of Los Angeles' noted choir leaders, was there with his choir of over 100 voices, and this



Mount Rubidoux, Mecca for a Host of Early-Morning Worshipers on Easter Day.

group of singers, was supplemented by members of all the Riverside choirs and music clubs, which made the singing the great feature. They led and directed the singing of this vast outdoor audience.

The annual Easter sunrise service on the top of Rubidoux mountain is unique. It is a service belonging to southern California, yet, already, world wide in note. Begun by a few, it belongs to the people now and will persist by its own inner life.

Bohemian Easter Custom

A curious old custom, that of "Easter riding," prevails in various parts of Bohemia. On each Easter day the riders assemble dressed in black and carrying crosses, flags and other emblems. They proceed from Schonwald on a three hours' ride to Kulm, where they attend services. The priest, after a sermon, wherein he refers to the horse as a symbol of power, bestows the benediction on the animals and their riders. The riders then visit the neighboring castles. where they receive hospitality, subsequently making their way homeward, escorted by a band and a large crowd.-Grit.

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