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"Every one knows best where the shoe pinches him"

**APRIL**

- 1—First National U. S. Mint established in Philadelphia, Pa., 1792.
- 2—Whiston Churchill given supervision over England's war forces, 1940.
- 3—Congress orders additional star in flag for each new state, 1818.
- 4—Tornado at Tupelo, Miss., kills 187, 1936.
- 5—U. S. declares war on Germany, 1917.
- 6—1st Dutch clergyman arrives in New York, 1523.
- 7—Patent issued for Mergenthaler Linotype machine, 1860.

# EASTER MESSAGE

## The Resurrection Morning

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Some 1900 years ago, Christ, the saviour of the world, was slain on the cross a few miles out of Jerusalem. The world was darkened for some time on that day. Many said that He would not rise from the tomb. But those handful of disciples, believed that He would be resurrected from the tomb.

On Sunday morning, three days after the death and burial of Jesus, some women went very early, as soon as it was light, to the tomb in the garden. One of these women was Mary Magdalene, another was also named Salome. They were bringing fragrant gums and spices to place in the wrappings upon the body of Jesus. And as they went they said to each other, "Who will roll away for us the great stone at the door of the cave?"

But when they came to the cave they saw that the seal was broken, the stone was rolled away, and the soldiers who had been on guard were gone. There stood the tomb of Jesus all open. They did not know that before they came to the tomb there had been an earthquake; and that an angel had come down from heaven and rolled away the stone, and sat upon it. When the soldiers on guard saw the angels, they fell to the ground as

though they were dead, and as soon as they could rise up, they fled away from the spot in terror; so when the women came there was no man in sight.

As soon as Mary Magdalene saw the tomb was open, without stopping to look into it, she ran quickly to tell the disciples. The two other women saw and heard the message of the angels. They went on their way happy, because Jesus was no longer dead, but living. When she found Peter and John, they too, came to the tomb where Jesus was risen. After John and Peter had left the tomb, Mary Magdalene came back to the tomb. No one was there, for both the women and the disciples had gone away. Mary Magdalene did not know that Jesus, for she had not heard the angels' message.

She wept as she thought of her Lord, slain by wicked men, and not even allowed to rest in His grave. And still weeping, she stooped and looked into the tomb. There she saw two men in white garments sitting, one at the head, the other at the feet where the body of Jesus had lain. They were the two angels whom the other women had seen, but Mary Magdalene did not know this. One of them said, "Woman, why weepest thou?" She answered, "Because they have taken away my Lord; and I know not where they have laid Him." Something caused her to turn around and there stood a man. It was Jesus; but her eyes were held for a moment from knowing Him. She said, "Sir, if thou have carried Him away," thinking Him to be the gardener, "tell me where you have laid Him and I will take Him away." Then Jesus spoke her name. And she knew that it was Jesus, no longer dead, but living. She turned around and fell down before Him, and was about to seize His feet, as she said, "Master." We today need to fall at the very feet of Jesus. Until we do, we will have no better world live in.

Jesus said, "Do not touch Me; for I am not yet ready to go to My father. But go to My disciples and say to them, I go to My Father, and to your Father, to My God, and to your God." Mary Magdalene went on her way happy, because she had found her Master, not dead but living. The trouble with the world today is that many are worshipping Christ as though He was dead, not a living Christ but a dead Christ. Christ came from the tomb; today He is living in the very hearts of men. Why are many people dead in Christ today? Why are so many churches dead in Christ today? Because, they are worshipping Christ as though He was still in the tomb.

On that day two of the followers of Jesus were walking out of Jerusalem to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles away. While they were talking over the strange happening of the day, they saw that a stranger was walking beside them. It was Jesus, their risen Lord, but they were held back from knowing Him. The stranger said to them, "What words are these that you are speaking with each other, which seem to make you so sad?" One of the men answered, "Are you even a stranger in Jerusalem, and have not heard of what things have taken place there in the last few days?" They went on to tell this stranger about those ungodly men who slain Jesus on the cross. And that He was raised on the third day. This was Jesus to whom the two

# Rambling About

By THE RAMBLER

## Easter Again—

Easter Sunday is only two days away. Isn't it a privilege to have an opportunity to continue to observe with church attendance the memory of the resurrection of the Christ? To go to church or not, the privilege one has in following the dictates of his own conscience is one that is not to be lightly passed over.

There will be crowds in the churches this Sunday. Some will go to humble frame structures where they will worship while others will climb stone steps to magnificent edifices built at much expense, but all will be observing in heart the local and important theme of Christianity that the day commemorates.

But this Easter many worshippers will be worried and burdened for prayer. They feel that they should utter a prayer personally for the boys in the armed forces and for every man who is risking life and sacrificing in any way for the victory of this country in the great struggle in which it is now engaged.

It is a great privilege to congregate at the churches on Sunday and worship, rather than to be herded into some large hall to hear the ravings men were talking with. We today, say there is a resurrection, when man shall live again.

And I saw a great white throne, and Him that sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heavens fled away; and there was found no place for them. And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; and the books were opened; and another book was opened, which is the book of life; and the dead were judged out of these things which were written in the books, according to their works. The sea gave up the dead which were in it; and death and hell delivered up the dead which were in them; and they were judged every man according to their works. And death and hell were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death. Jesus says, in the 11th chapter of John that He was the resurrection. If we keep His word, if we walk with Him in this life, then we shall live again with Him in heaven. On this Easter let us worship a living Christ, who lives in the heart of men.

of a self-centered leader whose fanatical zeal causes him to assemble to himself the attributes of a divine leader. A leader whose main wickedness is the persecution of minority groups whether they be religious or political.

Americans are indeed fortunate because there will be many other Easter Sundays. There will be Easter congregations after Hitler, Mussolini and Togo are dead. The words and teachings of Christ has survived ordeals more harsh than those that are perpetrated upon it now, and it will continue to attract men long after the dictators of the twentieth century are in their graves.

## Religion and War—

As is the case in practically every war that has ever engulfed the countries of this earth in war, religion is one of the prime factors that this country stands to lose if the Axis powers should win the war that is now being waged in the Pacific and Atlantic and on many of the countries of this earth.

In Germany, godliness is in the saddle and freedom to worship, a deep-rooted Democratic institution, is gone. Between 9,000 and 11,000 Catholic schools have been liquidated. Of the 18,000 Protestant pastors, 1,300 have been arrested since 1934. Countless priests have been executed or imprisoned. Religious groups are harassed or executed. The campaign is extended into all occupied regions.

In Japan, the foreign missions have been abolished, while Christian centers in China are a favorite target for Japanese bombs.

The reason for this religious persecution is obvious. Totalitarianism makes the state the sole object of religious allegiance. Such allegiance is impossible for a Christian or a Jew, because this state is constantly doing things that violate Christian-Jewish ethics such as vilifying so-called "non-arayan" in all countries, except, of course, Japan; vilifying intended victims of aggression such as the Swedes and Rumanians; vilifying especially the Jews; beating and torturing political non-conformist and sanctioning illicit love.

## What They Say—

Adolph Hitler said: "The religions are all alike, no matter what they call themselves. They have no future—certainly none for the Germans. Fascism, if it likes, may come to terms with the church. So shall I. Why not? That will not prevent me from tearing up Christianity root and branch, and annihilating it in Germany."


Propaganda Minister Hermann Goebbels "Our leader (Hitler) becomes the intermediary between his people and the throne of God. . . . Everything which our leader utters is religion in the highest sense. . . . Its deepest and most hidden meaning." Nazi Philosopher Alfred Rosenberg: "When a national socialist dons his brown shirt he ceases to be a Catholic, or a Protestant, and becomes a soldier of Hitler, whose religion is his faith in his leader. We national socialists must refuse to allow Germany history and Teutonic majesty to be subordinated to so-called religion."

## Paganism Again—

Just as the statutes of the Roman emperor were placed in pagan temples to be worshipped by the people, the dictators are now virtually deified. A government which rests upon servile obedience can not permit its people to recognize two masters.

Therefore the Nazis aim at the complete suppression of Christianity and the substitution of "one faith—one leader." In Japan the Emperor is to his people what the Roman Emperor was 2,000 years ago. He is the son of Heaven, a divine personage whom ordinary mortals dare not approach. President Franklin D. Roosevelt said: "With confidence in our armed forces—with the unbounding determination of our people—we will again gain the inevitable triumph—so help us God."

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## The Home Merchant Is Coming Into His Own—

One good thing is going to result from this war, at any rate. The local merchant, never overlooked whenever there is a campaign to raise money under way but often forgotten when the same canvassers are in the market for the very things he specializes in, should come in for a little more attention.

The fact that automobiles and tires were put under rationing the very first thing should cut down on a lot of unnecessary running to larger centers to buy many things which the local merchant carries in stock. And a whole lot of people who have been shopping in the cities are due for a measure of shock when they find out they have been paying considerably more for the very same items carried right here at home.

The wide-awake local merchant is going to capitalize on this situation, or at least he ought to. A great number of people who have been buying elsewhere are going to be dropping into his store; and if he is really on the job, these people are going to remain with him, even after it becomes possible to get tires and cars again. Being on the job means rendering a type of service which the customer cannot get elsewhere. Of course many of them have already been rendering that type of service, but some folks are awfully hard to convince of that fact; and now that the merchant has the chance to convince them, he is strictly "on his own," meaning that failure to hold these customers will be nobody's fault but his own.

## Little Consolation in The Outlook for Rubber—

Civilians who believe the artificial rubber program will provide the na-

## Effect of Conversion Of Auto Industry . . .

The War Production Board last week released the following facts on automobile conversion to show the need for passenger automobile rationing:

For every 24 autos we are not making this year we have saved steel and rubber for a single 27-ton medium tank.

For each automobile we are not making this year we have saved enough tin to coat 1,000 cans in which to put food for our soldiers and sailors.

For every 700 automobiles we are not making this year we have saved enough aluminum—used in pistons and miscellaneous parts—to make one fighter plane.

For each automobile we are not making this year we have saved enough nickel to make 100 pounds of nickel steel for armor plate, projectiles, and armor-piercing bullets.

For each automobile we are not making this year we have saved enough zinc and copper to make brass for 2,400 brass cartridge cases for .30 caliber ammunition used in our machine guns and our Garand semi-automatic rifles and our Springfield.

I is forecast that 35 per cent of all cars will be off the roads in a year—and that two thirds will be through in two or three years. So, if you have a car and some even fairly good tires, better plan to use it and them as sparingly as possible, because they will probably have to last you a long time.

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