

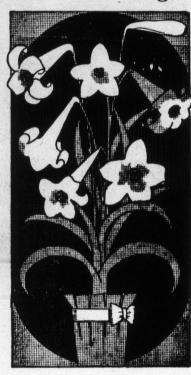
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Easter Greetings!



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EASTER BE YOURS

Amidst the clash and tumult of a

world at war, Easter comes again

with God's wondrous message of love,

triumph, victory in the end for the

forces of evil. The cross stands out

in mystic glow in this world torn by

strife and sin as a rebuke to sin, and

as a promise and symbol of victory

over those forces contending against

righteousness. We do not know what

the immediate future holds for us. We

cannot say what shall be on the mor-

row whether this or that; but we do

know that we have the promise that

Christ must reign until He hath put

all enemies under His feet, and de-

livered up the Kingdom of God, and the last enemy that shall be destroyed

is death. We do know that Jesus'

resurrection confirms that instinct of

immortality implanted in human kind.

This instinct is not peculiar to Christ-

ians alone but is shared by all hu-

manity; but for Christian, this in-

stinct of immortality is confirmed-

strengthened, and we can say: "O

death, where is thy sting O grave,

where is thy victory? Thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ." In the light of that belief everything is altered. The discipline of life is altered. Love is different, hope is different, changed is the face of pain, suffering, infirmity, weakness. Changed is the loneliness of dying, and the darkness of the grave. Christ says to us. "If all this were a delusion, an error, do you suppose I would allow you to hold to it? Ye believe in God, believe also in me-if it were not so, I would have told you." Believe if you like that the world is flat or the sun goes around the earth, that does not influence your life very much but what is important is your belief in immortality, for to know that life is eternal makes a difference to your conduct. it touches your life at every point; it molds and colours every action of the common day. So Christ corroborates humanity's deepest longings for immortality and union with those whom we long to see

I pray that the Easter Festival will bring comfort, hope and courage to all Christians in this year of anxiety.

Easter Soloist



Dorothy Maynor sings songs of the season on "The Pause That Refreshes on the Air" Sunday afternoon (4:30 EWT) over CBS. The brilliant soprano will be back in New York for the broadcast after a coast-to-coast concert tour of 25 cities.

We shall do so much in the years to come, But what have we done today? We shall give our gold in a princely sum, But what did we give today? We shall lift the heart and dry the iear, We shall plant a hope in the place of fear. We shall speak the words of love and cheer. But what did we speak to-day?

WHAT HAVE WE DONE TODAY?

We shall be so kind in the afterwhile, But what have we been today? We shall bring each lonely life a smile, But what have we brought today? We shall give to truth a grander birth, And to steadfast faith a deeper wort We shall feed the hungering souls of earth, But whom have we fed today?

We shall reap such joys in the by and by, But what have we sown today? We shall build us mansions in the sky, But what have we built today? 'Tis sweet in idle dreams to bask, But here and now do we do our task? Yes, this is the thing our souls must ask, "What have we done to-day?"

-Nixon Waterman, in "In Merry Mood"

DOROTHY MAYNOR ON AIR SUNDAY

If many of the stirring spirituals sung by Dorothy Maynor are unknown to her concert and radio audiences, it is because she gathers them from rather unknown places.

The brilliant soprano, Easter Sunday soloist on "The Pause that Refreshes on the Air" with Andre Kostelanetz (CBS, 4:30 EWT), learned many of her numbers at revivals and camp meetings, including an inspiring spiritual, "Were You There?" which shell sing with chorus accompaniment on Sunday.

A "gold mine" for students of African song and culture, Miss Maynor has discovered, is the little known island of St. Helena off the coast of South Carolina. A small atoll with a farming population of 500, all Negro -whites having deserted during the Civil War-St. Helena, Miss Maynor ands, is virtually unchanged by modern civilization. In recent visits there she has picked up strange and fascinating music which she now is adding to her repertoire.

The complete Easter program with David Ross as master of ceremonies, follows:

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Chorus and Orchestra Were You There Negro Spiritual Miss Maynor and Chorus

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Morton Downey's watch chain on both ends is watchless. It carries good luck charms.

Dorothy Maynor, brilliant young soprano who will be Andre Kostelanetz' guest Easter Sunday is not only the daughter of a minister; she married one. Serge Koussevitzky discovered her six years ago singing in her father's church choir in Norfolk, Virginia. In private life she is Mrs. Shelby Rooks, wife of the pastor of a church in Harlem.

Dawn of Tomorrow with her mother.

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FAMILY SUNDAY

On Sunday, March 19th a most enjoyable day was spent by the families of London. The serbices which were held at Beth-Emmanuel Church on Grey Street were sponsored by Mr. Jas. Brooks and Mr. L. Jones. The guest speaker for the day was the Rev. I. H. Edwards, of Windsor, who was introduced by our pastor, Rev. C. A. Johnson, as the Moderator of the Baptist Association and also pastor of Puce, Amherstburg and Sandwich Baptist Churches. Very inspiring messages were enjoyed by all. The morning subject: "God's Wonders" and evening: "Jesus Only." All departed for their various

homes feeling spiritually blessed.

The Choir consisted of representatives of various families of the city and rendered beautiful numbers. Those worthy of special mention: the spiritual "Seek and Ye Shall Find" and "The Old Rugged Cross" by special arrangement by Mrs. L. Jones, the organist, with Mr. Fred Ball as director. Solos were sung by Mrs. Wm. Berry, Mrs. I. H. Edwards, of Windsor, visiting guest, and a duet by Mrs. M. Cabrera and Mrs. P. Lewis.

The Jenkins boys, Ross and Levern did a fine job of ushering.

Come to church—you need it and the church needs you. Let us meet there more often and give God the thanks and praise for the many blessings and tender mercies He bestows upon us.

LONDON NOTES

The early Easter morning service will be held at 6 a.m. Sunday morning in the B.M.E. Church under the supervision of Rev. C. A. Johnson. Breakfast will be served to those attending by Mr. Fred Ball. The regular evening service will be at 7 o'clock. The choir will render special Easter music and songs.

Miss Nina Grinage, of Dresden, Ont., Mr. and Mrs. Jack Rakin and Mrs. Everett Smith of Buffalo and Mr. Wm. Fisher and the Misses Edwards of Detroit, Mich. were the guests of Mrs. Wm. Berry in honour of her birthday.

Miss Mildred Newby, of Detrort, paid a short visit enroute from Ottawa to Montreal, New York, Toronto and London visiting with Mrs. J. Myers while in the city, proceed-

ing to Buxton where she will visit with her mother.

Mrs. Rachel Gardner spent her holidays visiting with friends and relatives in Brantford, Ont.

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THE BURDEN

"O God," I cried, "Why may I not forget? These halt and hurt in life's hard battle

Throng me yet.

And I their keeper? Only I? To bear This constant burden of their grief and care? Why must I suffer for the others' sin? Would God my eyes had never opened been!"

And the Thorn Crowned and Paiient One Replied, "They thronged me too, I too have seen."

"Thy other children go at will," I said, Protesting still.

"They go unheeding. But these sick and sad These blind and orphan, yea, and those that sin Drag at my heart. For them I serve and groan. Why is it? Let me rest, Lord. I have iried"—

He turned and looked at me: "But I have died."

"But, Lord, this ceaseless travail of my soul! This stress! This often fruitless toil Thei souls to win!

They are not mine. I brought not forth this host Of needy creatures, struggling, tempest-tossed—
They are not mine."

He ooked at them—thi look of one divine; He turned and looked at me. "But they are mine."

"Oh God" I said, "I understand at last. Forgive! And henceforth I will bond slave be To thy least, wiakest, vilest ones; I would no more be free.'

He smiled and said, "It is to me."

-Lucy Rider Meyer

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John Wallace-My wife says if I don't give up drinking she'll leave

Mr. B.-That's hard luck. John W.-Yes, I'll certainly miss

Betty Balch-"I am wearing my old undies and saving my new ex-

Lorna Marshall-What for?

rainy day? Betty Balch-No dearie, a windy

Bill Hyatt-Do you know the difference between a popular girl and an unpopular one? Geo. Martin-Yes and no.

Art Mitchell (to Tom K.)-What did your wife say when you came

home intoxicated last night? Tom K-Nothing at all-I was going to have those teeth pulled out anyway.

SOLDIERS MUST BE

MADE POLITICALLY MINDED About the middle of January, 1944, Dr. Jury, gauleiter for the Lower Danube, delivered a lecture in which he explained how necessary it was for every good soldier to be politically minded. He maintained that Germany had lost the last world war because the Supreme Command of the Army had forbidden soldiers to belong to any political party. An inevitable conclusion must be drawn from this fact: The present-day soldier must be politically educated. Dr. Jury added, however, that the soldier of today could only be a National Socialist, for to have any other political views would be high treason.

Helen Muir (to Gladys Davidson) -What wartime occupation are you pursuing?

Gladys D-Well right now it's a Flying Officer of the R.C.A.F

Janet Ralph-(at dinner at the

Hotel London).

Waiter-"How would you like your rice?

Janet R-"Thrown at me-big boy-Thrown at me.

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NUTRITION NOTES

Corn beef and cabbage is a popular dish. New green cabbage is plentiful but be sure to buy corned beef that has little fat.

Grapefruit is still on the plentiful list. Try cutting them in halves, basting with a bit of honey and broiling for breakfast.

Fat goes farther when used correctly. Stretch yours out when frying potatoes by boiling them first, then slicing and browning in a little fat.

Have you ever hear the word "Zabaglione?" It's an Italian dessert based on eggs. Beat two egg yolks thoroughly, put them in the top of a double boiler which has cold water in the bottom. Add two half eggshells full of sherry and a tablespoon of sugar. Turn on the fire and keep beating the mixture with a rotary egg beater until the water in the lower part of the pan boils. Pour it in glasses and serve hot or cold.

When baking a cake, remember that two small ones cook more quickly than one big one. Save your fuel by cooking them that way.

If it is your practice to boil your Easter ham before gaking, it is better to just simmer it. That means a longer cooking period but the results will be better.

Have you ever tried ham and corn pie? It makes both go farther. Mix a cup of ground cooked ham with a cup of whole grain canned or cooked corn, season and spread on biscuit dough rolled thin. Bake and serve with those left-over creamed peas.

Spinach is plentiful but select it for the abundance of leaves rather than the size of stalks. Make sure too, that the leaves are crisp and green.

Give your jams and jellies a frequent check-up. A drop of bright juice on the paraffin covering is a good sign that the seal has broken and the contents are exposed to spoilage. Remove the paraffin, wipe the inside of the glass clean and dry, then pour enough new hot paraffin to cover it, rotating the glass meanwhile so that the paraffin hits all the edge and makes a complete seal.

Delightful salad for early spring can be made of dandelion greens. Cut off the roots, wash the leaves thoroughly, and finish off with a tasty french dressing.

The proper care for cheese is to rub the cut surface with a bit of salad oil and press wax paper tightly on it to keep it from molding or drying out. Store the cheese in a cold place and keep closely covered away from moist air.

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If I had the time to find a place
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With my better self, that stands no show
In my daily life that rushes so,
It might be then I would see my soul
Was stumbling still toward the shining goal—
I might be nerved by the thought sublime,
If I had the time!

If I had the time to let my heart Speak out and take in my life a part, To look about and stretch a hand To a comrade quartered a hand
To a comrade quartered on no-luck land,
Ah, God! If I might but just sit still
And hear the note of the whip-poor-will,
I think that my wish with God would rhyme— If I had the time!

If I had the time to learn from you
How much for comfort my word would do;
And I told you then of-my sudden will
To kiss your feet when I did you ill—
If the tears aback of the bravado Could force their way and let you know—
Brothers, the souls of us all would chime.

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