NOW AND THEN

I SHALL NOT PASS THIS WAY AGAIN

I shall not pass this way again
Although it bordered be with flowers,
Although I rest in fragrant bowers
And hear the singing
Of song-birds winging
To highest heaven their gladsome flight;
Though moons are full and stars are bright,
And winds and waves are softly sighing,
While leafy trees make low replying:
Though voices clear in joyous strain
Repeat a jubilant refrain;
Though rising suns their radiance throw
In such rare splendor that my heart
Would ache from scenes like these to part;
Though beauties heighten
And life-lights brighten,
And joys proceed from every pain,
I shall not pass this way again.

Anon.

There are so many poems which carry out this same thought one of them. "The Mill will never turn with the water that has passed and many others of the same strain. Lost opportunities never returning again. Shakespeare waxes eloquent on the same subject. But many of us hope for another try. Perhaps they may return again. Who knows?

THE HEN'S REQUIREMENTS

The future of the hen seems to be a very bright one. Those who study her psychology finds that any disturbance prevents her from laying and therefore it is fitting to have her surrounded by ideal conditions. As her eggs are so much prized it is most likely that she will be treated with every consideration.

How does our first president compare with the succeeding ones.

AN ECONOMICAL MAN

When George Washington became President he proceeded to expend the money of the new nation in the same manner he had always expended his own, wisely and economically.

Among the interesting memorials of his thrift is a yellowed requisition calling for one chain for a Navy ship. Across the paper, faded but still legible, appear the words: "Approved. But cannot something be realized from the old chain? G. Washington."

SPANISH ART RECOVERED

Those of us who have been concerned about the destruction of the Spanish Art treasures will be glad to read the following:

Burgos, Spain (AP)—Government art authorities have announced that Spanish art treasures have been recovered at Geneva, including valuable work of the Madrid Museo Del Prado and private galleries. The works were taken to Geneva by a Republican Commission before the fall of Madrid and deposited in the care of the League of Nations. They include 45 paintings by Velasquez, 43 by Greco, 138 by Goya, and works by Titian, Van Dyck, Rubens, Tintoretto, Memling, and Durero. The works will be returned to Spain after showings in London and Paris.

MOTHER'S DAY

Tomorrow the 2nd Sunday in May is Mother's Day.

Miss Anna Jarvis of Philadelphia is given the credit as the one chiefly responsible for the national commemoration in the United States. Her love for her own mother led her to begin activity for the recognition of all mothers, first in her church and then in her city. Philadelphia in 1908 became the first city in the world to give formal homage to its mothers. Pennsylvania made it a state day in 1913.

Again the one time Edward VIII, speaks over the radio to a listening world.

This time his voice came from Verdun, the battlefield in France. The Duke himself had been there and saw the horrors of war.

His brother the King who is on the high seas, gave him permission to make the speech but it was not broadcasted in England:

He says: "For two and one half years I have deliberately kept out of public affairs and I still propose to do so. I speak for no one but myself, without the previous knowledge of any Government. I speak simply as a soldier of the last war whose most earnest prayer it is that such cruel and destructive madness shall never again overtake mankind.

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SPRINGTIME IN EUROPE

Democracies have made wars—unjust wars, sometimes. But it is not to be believed that free men, in a free society, will deliberately destroy that society—which is what a general war now is likely to do. The children play happily, lovers go arm in arm, old people dream of the post.....Who but a madman would say that any of them would vote, in a free election, to roll out the artillery and send the bombing planes up? The world's danger in this harrowingly beautiful Spring lies in the suppression of men's yearnings, the perversion of their desires. If everything were known, if everyone had a voice, there would be no war.—New York Times.

SELLING TALK

A. W. Franklin, secretary of the United Commercial Travelers of America, said at a dinner in Columbus:

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hearts reserve your name;
You stretch your hand to every land,
to weak and strong the same;
You claim no conquest of the sea, nor
conquest of the field,
But conquest for the rights of man,
that despots all shall yield.

REVIEW OF SOME OF THE BEST SELLERS

Doubleday's big novel for May is "The Bridegroom Cometh", by Waldo Frank, May 19th. This is an interpretation of the true religious spirit as opposed to narrow religiosity. The herione, Mary Donald, is brought up in a household where education, care of teeth, clothes and other worldy matters are dismissed as unimportant because of the immenince of the coming of the Bridgegroom. A deep and religious impulse makes Mary want to give her love and devotion, but narrow prejudice around her frustrates her. Mary is appalingly vulnerable, and from her childhood on, the reader watches her approach what seems her inevitable destruction. Mary's religious fervor becomes humanitarian fervor. She joins the workers and at last discovers love..... The story is somber, definitely a social commentary rather than a story. But is truthful and has power, in spite of its wordiness and heaviness.

"Revue", by Beverly Nichols (May 19th), is at the opposite extreme, light, superficial, witty—an entertaining book about the crazy world of England's theatrical folk.

"Sir Adam Disappeared", by E. Phillips Oppenheim (May 13) is a complete story of mystery. A millionaire banker disappears from his club, and the dead body of an unknown man is found on the floor of the vaults of his bank. Thus begins a full-length mystery story which is sure to entertain his many fans.

Emil Ludwig has a new one, "Quartet" which is the story of two couples who swap husbands. Will have little interest.

"Swastika", by Oscar Schisgall, looks like it has commercial possibilities. It is the story of an American born girl and her German-born husband. On a trip back to Germany, the Nazi influence begines to work. The husband is caught by the popular hysteria and the other woman, while the wife fights to keep her husband and her child. It has a startling ending and is interesting reading. It may make the best-seller lists.

"The Prisoner At a Hearty Breakfast," by Jerome Ellison is a less sensational book on the Hemingway—James Cain pattern. It is however hard enough for the lover of such realistic novels. It should rent well and if given the chance may sell as well.

"Christ in Concrete" by Pietro di Donato comes on May 15th. It is a novl of distinction, the first chapter of which appeared in Esquire last year and skyrocketed the unknown author to fame. Written in a vigorous style with a sort of stacatto movement it is the story of Italian bricklayers in an American city, their hazardous work, their joys, and their sorrows. Dominating the scene is one poor Italian family kept from starvation by a twelve-year-old son who takes over the work when his father is killed in a construction accident. It was postponed from last month when mention was made of it in this column.

Non-Fiction has "Huntsman, What Quarry?" by Edna St. Vincent Millay and is of literary importance. She has become the most uniformly successful poet in the business. "Corn," by Paul Eagle is good poetry too but the author has not Miss Millay's prestige. "You're the Doctor," by Victor Heisse is a book on health advice and is sure to be a success on account of the authors record. "In Search of Peace", by Neville Chamberlain is the prime minister's own story of his fight to preserve the status quo.

Male Bumblebees Die in Winter

Male bumblebees do not survive the winter months.

A DICTATOR'S DIET

Menito Mussolini is noted for his robust, healthy appearance. He takes great pride in the fact that since he was ill in 1925 he has not lost a single day because of sickness. In a recent interview, reports The Commentator Magazine, he was asked his personal rules for conserving his mental and physical health under constant strain. He described hs rules thus:

"At the first symptom of any kind of indisposition I fast for at least 24 hours.

"I am almost exclusively a vegetarian.

"I consider alcohol damaging to the health. I am not against the moderate use of tobacco, but I never drink hard liquor. I sometimes drink wine at official dinners, but since the World War I have not smoked.

"I do not take tea or coffee, but sometimes drink an infusion of linden leaves or tilleul. For those who labor physically the moderate use of wine is useful.

"I sleep between seven and eight hours at night regularly, bewteen 11 P. M. and 7 A. M. I fall asleep at once. I use no expedients to invite sleep and take no siesta during the day."

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