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bayerische Osterbräuche (Bavarian Easter Customs)

The custom
and relatives
Bavaria to the
Later, they
Easter eggs.
the Easter
known symbol of

According to an old
the Easter egg has
which may change a
of a certain boy.
more, no less, pre-
can accomplish this
"Doppen" is another
somewhat messy custom.
pressed together in
whose egg cracks

At dawn
the surrounding
wheels, huge oak
straw and set aflame,
down the hills. Mid-
village girls gathered
springs. Their waters
and to remove freckles. Walking barefooted on Easter morning will get you

fever, mosquito bites, hip stitches and snake bites.

of sending Easter cards to
can be traced back
middle of the
exchanged
The egg,
bunny,

friends
in
18th century.
colored
as well as
is the well-
fertility.

Bavarian superstition,
also some magic power
girl's mind in favor
Three red eggs, no
sented by the boy
feat. "Eier-
entertaining, but
Two eggs are
this contest. Loser is
first.

bonfires spring up on
mountains and Easter
wheels stuffed with
are sent tumbling
night finds the young
around the many mountain
are supposed to beautify their faces

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