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## TEACHING CONFERENCE

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### MANCHESTER

WEEK END OF

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## PROGRAMME

The Conference will be held at the Bahá'í Centre, 33 High Street, Commerce Building, Manchester, 4.

**December 18th, 7.30 p.m.**

### PUBLIC MEETING AND SOCIAL

The subject "Humanity's Coming of Age" will be presented by the following speakers: Mrs. Routh of Australia; Mr. Balyuzi; Mr. Tobey; Mr. Hofman. Questions will be invited. Mr. Craven will be in the chair.

**December 19th, 3 p.m.**

Conference for all the friends to discuss "Ways and Means of Teaching in the British Isles." Chairman: Mr. J. Lee. This session will continue until it is desirable to break for food and relaxation and the friends are cordially invited to reassemble later.

The N.S.A. will meet on Saturday and on Monday.

Every believer who possibly can attend is urged to do so and to invite their friends to the public session on Saturday evening.

Those who intend to stay over the week-end are requested to correspond immediately with Mr. Sugar at the Manchester Centre. He will make arrangements with an hotel for accommodation. This must be done now.

Dear Friends; the following message has just been received from the Guardian. Let it give us courage and determination to make this Conference a success and a source of new teaching energy: "Every effort should now be exerted by the N.S.A. to carry on the teaching work through every means possible, and every believer should be made to realise that he has an added and most grave responsibility to shoulder in this matter."

## PUBLISHING FUND

The Publishing Fund now stands at £231 19s. 8d.

The declaration of Trust will shortly be made, the following believers acting as Trustees for the Fund:

Mrs. K. V. Brown  
Mr. Albert Joseph  
Mr. Arthur Norton

A contribution has been gratefully received from the N.S.A. of Australia and New Zealand.

## NATIONAL FUND

An examination of the books discloses that the National Fund is mainly supported by profit on the sale of literature. This is an unhealthy condition and leaves the N.S.A. hampered in its efforts to promote the teaching work. Greater sacrifice is required from us all if we are to be the instruments of the Holy Spirit.

## N.S.A. MEMBERSHIP

The delegates have elected Mrs. Langdon-Davies to the N.S.A., to fill the place left vacant by Mrs. Slade's retirement.

## YOUTH CONFERENCE

The London Youth Group is holding a conference over the week-end of January 23rd, 1938, at Sowberry Court, near Reading. For full particulars apply to Miss Dorothy Cansdale, at the London Centre.

The National Youth Committee of the N.S.A. of America, which is in charge of international youth activity, has sent out a letter calling the Bahá'í Youth groups throughout the world to promote the third annual international Bahá'í Youth Symposium on Sunday, February 27th, 1938.

## THE DAY OF THE COVENANT

'Abdul'l-Bahá appointed November 26th as the Day of the Covenant, of which He is the Centre. This is the new covenant spoken of in the holy books of past dispensations and given us in this day of Bahá'u'lláh. We quote from the last address spoken by the Master on His departure from the Western world.

“I say unto you that anyone who will rise up in the Cause of God at this time shall be filled with the spirit of God, and that He will send His hosts from heaven to help you, and that nothing shall be impossible to you if you have faith. And now I give you a commandment which shall be for a Covenant between you and me; that ye have faith; that your faith be steadfast as a rock that no storms can move, that nothing can disturb, and that it endure through all things even to the end; even should ye hear that your Lord has been crucified, be not shaken in your faith; for I am with you always, whether living or dead; I am with you to the end. As ye have faith so shall your powers and blessings be. This is the standard—this is the standard—this is the standard.”

“I am waiting, waiting to hear the glad news that the believers are the embodiments of sincerity and loyalty, the incarnation of love and amity and the manifestation of unity and concord.”

“Will they not rejoice my heart? Will they not satisfy my yearnings? Will they not heed my pleadings? Will they not fulfil my hopes? Will they not answer my call?”

“I am waiting, I am patiently waiting.”