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NINETEEN-DAY FEASTS.

Feast of Sharaf (Honour). To be held on Saturday, January 2nd, at 3.0 p.m.
Hostess: Miss Z. Warman.

Feast of Sultán (Sovereignty). To be held on Saturday, January 16th, at 3.0 p.m.
Host: Mr. W. Wilkins.

SUNDAY MEETINGS - at 3.30 p.m.

During January and February, the talks on Sunday afternoons will form a series under the title "The Goal of a New World Order", as in the printed programme enclosed with this bulletin. A fairly large number of these programmes have been printed, and it is hoped that the members of the community will distribute them to their friends. Each one of these meetings is being organised and publicised with the care we have given to the periodic "special" public meetings held in the past. It is therefore important that all the believers should make corresponding efforts to distribute the programmes and personally to interest everyone they possibly can. Further copies of the programmes may be had from the Centre, or the secretary will send them through the post on request. Would members of the community please note that Mrs. Slade is unable to give her talk on January 3rd, as stated in the programme, and will therefore give it on February 14th. Miss Wellby's talk will be on January 3rd.

STUDY CLASSES. Thursdays at 6.30 p.m.

January 7th	Mrs. Brown
" 14th	Miss Cansdale
" 21st	Mr. Balyuzi
" 28th	Mr. Wilkins

TEACHING ANECDOTES.

The N. S. A. has asked the local Assemblies to collect anecdotes of teaching experiences for publication in the Journal - anonymously of course. It doesn't matter whether these are stories of great successes, great failures, or merely amusing stories. Anything which will inform other Bahá'ís of the methods adopted by individuals in teaching the Cause should be submitted for inclusion.

PUBLISHING TRUST APPEAL. At the sale after the 19-Day Feast on December 12th a sum of £4. 6. 0. was raised for the Publishing Trust appeal. Since the commencement of the appeal to pay for the new Scriptures, the London community has contributed a sum of £31.9.7. This is good, considering the high expense of maintaining the London Centre, but the London community, including evacuated members, forms one-third of the entire community in the country and we have not

therefore contributed our full share of the debt by any means - Great sacrifices are still needed from us all, in order that the Publishing Trust may free itself from debt and be ready to undertake further publications.

In "The Advent of Divine Justice", Shoghi Effendi writes the following paragraph to the American believers. It surely applies with equal force to the British believers in these difficult times :

"How great, therefore, how staggering the responsibility that must weigh upon the present generation of the American believers, at this early stage in their spiritual and administrative evolution, to weed out, by every means in their power, those faults, habits, and tendencies which they have inherited from their own nation, and to cultivate, patiently and prayerfully, those distinctive qualities and characteristics that are so indispensable to their effective participation in the great redemptive work of their Faith. Incredible as yet, in view of the restricted size of their community and the limited influence it now wields, of producing any marked effect on the great mass of their countrymen, let them focus their attention, for the present, on their own selves, their own individual needs, their own personal deficiencies and weaknesses, ever mindful that every intensification of effort on their part will better equip them for the time when they will be called upon to eradicate in their turn such evil tendencies from the lives and the hearts of the entire body of their fellow-citizens. Nor must they overlook the fact that the World Order, whose basis they, as the advance-guard of the future Bahá'í generations of their countrymen, are now labouring to establish, can never be reared unless and until the generality of the people to which they belong has been already purged from the divers ills, whether social or political, that now so severely afflict it."

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