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CALENDAR FOR APRIL.

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- 5th, Thursday, at 7.0 p.m. Memorial Meeting for the fortieth day after the passing of Brian Stevenson.
- 9th Monday 7.0 p.m. Feast of Jalal - Splendour  
Hosts: Hasan and Molly Balyuzi.
- 21st Saturday 3.0 p.m. First day of Ridvan.  
Election of London L.S.A. for Year 102. ( see below for details)
- 28th Saturday. ANNUAL CONVENTION. (See Journal for particulars)  
7.0 p.m. Feast of Jamal - Beauty.  
Hosts: The London Community.
- 29th Sunday CONVENTION CONTINUED.  
7.0 p.m. Celebration of the 9th Day of Ridvan, in which the public are invited to join.
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**FIRST DAY OF RIDVAN.** This year we intend to celebrate the ~~=====~~ Feast of the Declaration of Baha'u'llah at the correct time, by the sun. As this would be after the usual tea-time, the programme has been planned in the following order: first, a prayer, at 3.0 o'clock, and immediately after this, the voting for the new L.S.A. will take place. You are therefore reminded that it is of vital importance to be punctual for this feast. After voting, the annual reports will be read, and after discussion, we will have tea, and then the devotional programme.

**CONVENTION.** This year there is a probability of 11 delegates from other communities attending Convention in London, apart from non-delegates who have announced that they will come, too. Every year we ask for contributions to the Feast of Ridvan, and this time we would ask you to remember that we shall have to find sufficient food supplies for two teas and for two suppers for ourselves and the visitors. For suppers, hot soups are always very welcome, but in any case, it will be greatly appreciated if you will get in touch with Dorothy as early as possible, to talk over the possibilities of what you can bring; and anything you already have, can be put in the reserve cupboard. In this way we can plan out what foods have to be bought.

The times of the Convention sessions, and of the election of the N.S.A. can be found in the current issue of the Journal.

THANK YOU! A little while ago, we included an appeal from your treasurer. The response was very good, and has enabled us to give a bigger donation to the National Fund, whilst still carrying forward in our own account, a useful balance with which to face the new year. It is hoped that this improved rate of subscription can be maintained, so that plans for increased publicity and teaching can be undertaken.

SUNDAYS It is some time, now, since there have been any "auto-graphs" on the list of volunteers for Sundays. Any offers?

NAWRUZ . The response to the appeal for food for this feast, was truly magnificent, and every scrap of food was needed, since the crowd of visitors was enormous. About 90 people squeezed into the room to hear Mrs. Slade welcome all our friends, and then listened to Hasan's drama, which was very capably produced with very few rehearsals. The stage setting looked very beautiful, and was achieved by simple means (worthy of Heath Robinson). Many people admired Ursula's beautiful arrangement of the flowers. The audience included two Press representatives, ( although no mention has been discovered in the papers), and Shaw Desmond was present, and a number of Norman Smith's friends in American uniforms.

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We have news of some of the friends who have not been seen recently. Mr. Asgarzadeh has had 'flu, and Miss Cheesman suffered from gastric 'flu. You are asked to remember Rachel Champion in your prayers. Rachel has had an operation on both eyes, and, at the time of writing this, is in the Royal Eye Hospital. It was feared that she would lose the sight of both eyes, but the operation has been more of a success than hoped for. However, the treatment will be rather lengthy, and meanwhile, she can neither read nor write letters. Mr. Cole has been reading them to her.

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We hear that Louis Rosenfield, formerly of the London Community, and now in Manchester, is engaged to be married.

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"Gird up the loins of your endeavor, O people of Baha, that haply the tumult of religious dissension and strife that agitateth the peoples of the earth may be still-ed, that every trace of it may be completely obliterated"  
Baha'u'llah.

Ahead of us lies a period of history vibrant with terrific possibilities for Mankind, and full of pitfalls for humanity.

Let us go forward under Baha'u'llah's banner, with these words to inspire us:

"Gird up the loins of thine endeavour, that haply thou mayest guide thy neighbor to the law of God, the Most Merciful. Such an act, verily, excelleth all other acts in the sight of God, the All-possessing, the Most High."

London, April 1945.

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