

"The Ancient Beauty hath consented to be bound with chains that mankind may be released from its bondage, and hath accepted to be made a prisoner within this most mighty stronghold that the whole world may attain unto true liberty. He hath drained to its dregs the cup of sorrow, that all the peoples of the earth may attain unto abiding joy, and be filled with gladness. This is of the mercy of your Lord, the Compassionate, the Most Merciful. We have accepted to be abased, O Believers in the Unity of God, that ye may be exalted, and have suffered manifold afflictions, that ye might prosper and flourish."  
(Bahá'u'lláh)

The Feast of the Birth of Bahá'u'lláh ..... Sunday, November 12th at 3.30 p.m.

The Feast of the Day of the Covenant ..... Sunday, November 26th at 3.30 p.m.

Both of these Feasts will be held at Kenilworth Hotel, Great Russell Street,  
W.C.1.

(These Feasts are not public meetings, but we can bring our friends and close contacts.)

The Passing of 'Abdu'l-Bahá ..... November 28th.

The actual time for Commemoration is 1 a.m. It is not possible to arrange a communal meeting for that hour, because of the lack of facilities. Here, the Spiritual Assembly suggests a devotional programme which the friends might like to follow in their homes at the actual hour. The Tuesday evening meeting on 28th November will be devoted to the occasion.

#### Programme

1. Prayer of Visitation - "Some Special Bahá'í Prayers and Tablets". P.38
2. "Friends! The time is coming when I shall be no longer with you."  
'Abdu'l-Bahá". P. 30-31
3. Prayers - "Some Bahá'í Prayers". Nos. 65, 80.
4. Readings - "The Will and Testament of 'Abdu'l-Bahá"  
(a) "All Praise to Him ....." P.7. to "..... Well is it with him that seeketh the shelter of his shade that shadoweth all mankind." P.8.  
(b) "O ye that stand fast in the Covenant....." P.11. to ".... let them that are men of action follow in their footsteps." P.13.  
(c) "O ye beloved of the Lord! In this sacred Dispensation....." P.17. to "..... Such are the attributes of the truthful," P.18.
5. Prayer - "Some Bahá'í Prayers". No.83

#### Nineteen Day Feasts

1. Feast of Qudrat (Power) - Saturday, November 4th at 7 p.m.
2. Feast of Qawl (Speech) - Thursday, November 23rd at 7 p.m.

Nineteen Day Feasts will be held at  
129, Ebury Street, Victoria, S.W.1.,  
by kind invitation of Mrs. Slade.



## Our Visitors

We have been very happy to meet two dear friends from Tehran - Mr. Salim Noonoo and Mr. Manuchehr Derakhshani. Mr. Noonoo has been visiting all the local Baha'i Communities in the British Isles. Mr. Derakhshani was on his way to Edinburgh to take up a course of study.

## Our Community

Prof. Zeine, Professor of History at the American University of Beirut, has come to London for the purposes of historical research. He will be with us for a year. We recall his first visit to us in the Summer of 1947. His grandfather, the celebrated Zaynu'l-Muqarrabin shared Bahá'u'lláh's exile, and his father has served both the Master and the Guardian as their personal secretary.

Miss Mahbubeh Shakib (Newcastle), Mr. Habib Hazari (Sheffield) and Mr. Tahqiqi are now following their studies in London.

Mr. Manuchehr Anvar and Mr. Jalil Ardakani are back from their visit to Tehran.

Mrs. Violet McKinley and her son, Mr. Hugh McKinley, moved to London from Cardiff on October 19th, and met the Community for the first time at the Feast of the Birth of the Báb. Their move to London has been specially approved by the National Spiritual Assembly, in view of Hugh McKinley's recent appointment to the Consolidation Committee, and his taking over of the Secretaryship of the Committee from Phillip Hainsworth who will be leaving soon to pioneer in Africa.

To all of them we offer the warmest, loving welcome.

Tuesday Evening Meetings at 129 Ebury Street, Victoria, S.W.1. - 7.30 p.m.

November 7th	Speaker: Mrs. Slade
" 14th	" Professor Zeine
" 21st	" Miss Beryl de Gruchy
" 28th	" H.M. Balyuzi

## Treasurer's Report

Income to October 20th ..... £159. 18. 2.  
(This figure includes Book Sales of ..... £24. 16. 2.

Expenditure to October 20th ..... £130. 2. -  
(This includes payment of £36 to the Publishing Trust)

## News and Announcements

1. The Assembly wishes to direct your attention particularly to the "Scheme for Small Loans", announced by the Publishing Trust in the September issue of the Bahá'í Journal.
2. A fortnightly fireside meeting is held in Ealing at the home of a friend of the Cause.
3. At the Feast of the Birth of the Báb, donations towards the construction of the Shrine, collected from the box, amounted to £25.
4. At the Nineteen Day Feast on October 16th, in answer to the question put by the National Spiritual Assembly, our Community recommended that the Annual Teaching Conference should be held, and special donations were made towards the cost.