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 * Whoso reciteth, in the privacy of his chamber, the verses
 * revealed by God, the scattering angels of the Almighty shall
 * scatter abroad the fragrance of the words uttered by his
 * mouth, and shall cause the heart of every righteous man to
 * throb. Though he may, at first, remain unaware of its effect,
 * yet the virtue of the grace vouchsafed unto him must needs
 * sooner or later exercise its influence upon his soul.
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 * Bahá'u'lláh
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19 DAY FEASTS

Wednesday, 8th September (7.30 p.m.) : Feast of 'Izzat

Hosts: Ron Stee and Jaganathan family.

Sunday, 26th September (7.30 p.m.) : Feast of Mashiyat

Hosts: Irma Rudgebregt and Mehrshideh

PUBLIC SPEAKING CLASSES

The new Class is to start shortly at the Centre. Those interested should get in touch with Mrs. Kathleen Hyett (COL. 8021), or Ron Stee (KNI. 2566) immediately. The fee for the Classes would be only 12s.6d.

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FAREWELL TO FRIENDS

Mr. and Mrs. Dabiri were given a farewell party on August 27th prior to their departure from London. We are sorry to see them go, but wish them happiness and devoted service to our Beloved Cause wherever they live in the future.

UNITED NATIONS ASSOCIATION

As the aims and objectives of this Association are in accord with the Bahá'í principles, Bahá'í friends are urged to join the Association's local Branches. The membership fee is only 5/- per annum. You can get the address of your local Branch from the telephone book or from U.N.A. Headquarters or from L.S.A. Secretary.

ITALIAN SUMMER SCHOOL

This Summer School will be from 5th to 19th September at Rimini. If interested, please contact John Twinarme for details. Full-time students can avail themselves of the cheap (£8.10.0. single) rail fare through the National Union of Students. Students' all-inclusive charge at the Bristol Hotel would be approximately 1,300 liras.

PAINTING OF THE BÁB'S SHRINE

Bahá'í Youth Zekrollah Aflatuni from Ankara (Turkey) presented a framed painting of the Shrine to the London Community at the 19-Day Feast on 20th August. It is painted in oil on black velvet and is very attractive. We thank Zekrollah for his thoughtful gift, which we shall cherish.

LEICESTER ONE-DAY SCHOOL

This will be held on Sunday, 26th September, at 4, Barrington Road, Stoneygate, Leicester, and the theme will be "The Will of God". Further details from the Leicester L.S.A. Secretary, please - Gwen Prince, at the same address.

LONDON COMMITTEES' SECRETARIES

Please send your Reports to the L.S.A. Secretary regularly and at least a day before each 19-Day Feast for presentation to the Community. This is important and obligatory.

DEATH

Bahá'í World Community suffered a great loss in the passing of our beloved Hand of the Cause, Leroy Ioas in Haifa. The valiant services of Mr. Ioas and his exemplary devotion to the Cause were a great inspiration to many Bahá'ís all over the world. A memorial meeting was held at the London Centre, and all assembled decided to send a telegram of sympathy to Mrs. Sylvia Ioas and her daughter.

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Mrs. Ivy Shindle, who was confined to Brompton Hospital, passed away to the Abha Kingdom on 23rd August 1965.

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The operation performed on the young Issam Tahōm unfortunately proved fatal. Issam had come to London with his father from Morocco specially for this heart operation. A commemorative meeting was held on August 28th.

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BAHÁ'Í FUNERALS

It is incumbent on all Bahá'ís to have a Bahá'í funeral. Therefore individuals, especially those whose near relatives are not Bahá'ís, should make suitable arrangements in good time. Please ensure that your wishes are carried out by making them clear in every possible way. In London, Leverton & Sons Ltd. (212, Eversholt Street, Euston, N.W.1. Telephone EUS. 6075) are conversant with the arrangements for Bahá'í funerals.

PUBLIC MEETINGS

Thursday

(7.45 p.m.)

	<u>Speaker</u>	<u>Subject</u>	<u>Chairman</u>
2nd September	Vivian Isenthal	"Blue-print for the New Age"	Michael Williams
9th "	Philip Hinton	"Religion, a New Meaning"	Dermot Knox
16th "	(to be announced)	"Bahá'í Readings"	Farhad Tehrani
23rd "	Ted Cardell	"A Faith that Unites the World"	Earl Cameron
30th "	John Wade	"One World or None"	Edna Norvell

at The Carnarvon Hotel, Ealing Common, W.5.

Monday

(7.30 p.m.)

	<u>Speaker</u>	<u>Subject</u>	<u>Chairman</u>
6th September	John Morley	"The Pearl of Great Price"	Vivian Isenthal
20th "		"Readings from Bahá'í Scriptures"	

at 14, Northumberland Road, New Barnet

Tuesday

(8 p.m.)

Fireside Meetings - on 14th and 28th September.

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It is observed that the Fund is mostly supported by those Bahá'ís who regularly attend 19-Day Feasts. Those who are unable to attend can send their contributions to the L.S.A. Treasurer (Donald Millar, 67 Grasmere Avenue, S.W.19.) direct by post.

Owing to lack of funds, it was not possible to contribute anything towards the National Fund in July.

THERE IS AT PRESENT A DEFICIT OF £40.

Immediate contributions are absolutely essential.

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After declaring Himself to be the New Prophet, Ali Muhammad took a new name. He was to be called The Bab, which means The Gate. He told His new followers that He would be The Gate, through which all mankind must pass in order to enter the Kingdom of God. He told them that He was the One chosen to awaken the world for the coming of the Promised One of all mankind.

The Bab told the Letters of the Living to go far and wide and teach the people about Him. They were to tell everyone, so that none would miss the good news. The Letters of the Living were happy, and anxious to go and teach about the New Prophet. The Bab sent some one way, and others in another direction. He told them to scatter throughout Persia (now called Iran), so that everyone would get the Message.

The Bab warned the Letters of the Living that there would be many people who would not believe in Him, and would rise up against those who did, and would hurt them. But, The Bab declared, it was better to die teaching about God's plans, than to live without knowing them. That is the price paid by all who love God sincerely and dearly.

The Bab, Himself, began to teach about His Prophethood. He travelled with one of His Letters of the Living. Many people listened, and knew that what He said was true. They were glad to hear about God's promises, and about the New Prophet, and they believed in The Bab. These new believers began to teach others about Him. Before long, there were many, many people in Persia who knew about the New Prophet. They knew His name, and followed Him and loved Him. These new believers of The Bab were called "Babis".

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Dear Children,

Today you are the custodians of "Tomorrow". Learn well the teachings of Bahá'u'lláh; learn to pray with all your heart and mind; seek God's help in everything you do and say. Most of all learn to create in yourself that unshakeable faith in God and Bahá'u'lláh. Once you get that faith, it will protect you, help you, solace you and make you a person whose company will be sought by all. Never forget that in God's eyes, you are a very important person; He loves you and His love can reach you only if you love Him with all your heart.

The Children's Outing on Saturday, 24th July to the seaside (near Shoeburyness) was so enjoyable. There were about thirty (parents and children) who left London in a cavalcade of cars. All had brought packed lunches. There was Persian, and German food and of course English dishes also. They met little Simon, the son of Tonlon and Len Scot, who were once in London but now live in Westcliff. They gave us tea at a beach-kiosk. As parents took photographs, the children had a marvellous time. Jane Cameron read some beautiful prayers.

Children and their parents are grateful to the members of the Children's Committee and John Twynan (for the station-waggon), for making this wonderful outing possible.

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