

## Conferences

### International Education Year

The Southern Regional Conference on "Education for the New Needs of Man," sponsored by the North American Bahá'í Office for Human Rights, is being held April 11-12 at Benedict College in Columbia, South Carolina, during the College's centennial year.

The conference will attract Bahá'ís and non-Bahá'ís from an eight-state area and feature talks by Dr. Benjamin Payton, the College's president, Dr. Daniel Jordan of the University of Massachusetts, and Edward Carpenter, headmaster of Harlem Preparatory School in New York City.

The Western Regional Conference on "Education for Becoming Your True Self" will be held in Eugene, Oregon, June 6-7. Another conference for the mid-west is potentially scheduled for September.

NABOHR will sponsor a symposium on International Education in New York City on October 17. That afternoon, an Awards Luncheon will be held at which the Louis G. Gregory Awards for Service to Humanity will be presented to an outstanding individual and an outstanding organization which have made great contributions in the field of education. United Nations dignitaries and eminent leaders in the field of education are expected to attend the symposium and luncheon.

### Holy Days Recognition— Nine Year Plan Victory

The recognition of Bahá'í Holy Days in the forty-eight contiguous states of the United States, a goal of the Nine Year Plan, has been attained with granting of approval for Bahá'í children to be excused from classes on Bahá'í Holy Days in Lexington, Kentucky.

Last year, Charleston, West Virginia, achieved the goal for that state, bringing us close to victory.

Although New Hampshire and Florida had achieved their goals previously, Portsmouth, New Hampshire, and Jacksonville, Florida, recently secured permission for the children in those communities to be excused. This brings the number of Bahá'í localities where the Bahá'í Holy Days are recognized by the local authorities to two hundred and eighteen.

### National Bahá'í Youth Conference, June 19-21

Hand of the Cause of God Amatu'l-Bahá Rúhíyyih Khánúm plans now to be present for the upcoming National Bahá'í Youth Conference on June 19-21 in Wilmette, Illinois. The conference will focus on pioneering, according to Bob Phillips of the office of Youth and Student Activities.

There will be training sessions after the conference for those youth who are to participate in summer projects, with most of the projects being planned for the South. It is also hoped that many of the youth will be able to go directly from the conference to pioneering goals in the South and overseas, filling goals of the Nine Year Plan.

Specific details about the conference, projects, and pioneering will be mailed to all youth prior to the conference date. For the present, each youth planning to attend the conference should mail his registration fee of \$5.00 to the Office of Youth and Student Activities, 112 Linden Avenue, Wilmette, Illinois 60091.

### Urgent Plea to Geyserville Oldtimers

Important information is needed for the impending negotiations with the California State Highway Department. If you were one of those who witnessed the dedication of the Cemetery there, please get in touch with the National Bahá'í Properties Committee, 112 Linden Avenue, Wilmette, Illinois 60091.

*Mayor Kevin White, Boston, Massachusetts, on March 5, receiving a copy of The Proclamation of Bahá'u'lláh. Representing the Spiritual Assembly of Boston: (Standing, left to right) John Kavelin, Sylvia Kaye, Babu Vadlamudi, Philip Morrison, Edward Goldberg; (seated) Angela Quow and Mayor White.*



## It Happened in Idaho

A little over a year ago the Idaho Falls membership count stood at eight believers. At the State Convention a recommendation was made that a slide show on Idaho be compiled and shown in California by personal emissaries in the hope that pioneers might come to Idaho — and also that someone might move to Idaho Falls to help form the assembly. This was done; and, as a result, pioneers *did* move in, but not in time for Riḍván.

"In early March we received word that a Bahá'í family was being transferred by his organization to Idaho Falls from another Idaho town. Our assembly goal was achieved!"

With the *election* at Riḍván, a year of rewarding expansion and continual consolidation began. They report: "New tests, new growth, and a deepening awareness of what the 'new world order' would be like, and a constant amazement at the power of consultation at work."

The report continues: "Friendships formed while doing volunteer service work in the school libraries helped in giving us an integrated community. In a few short months the community had three Negro members, including a pioneer from California. We felt this truly a special bounty — a Bahá'í Community with nearly twenty percent of a minority race, especially in a town with strong racial prejudice...."

"Friendships made in the course of volunteer P.T.A. work helped smooth the way for attainment of another Nine Year Plan goal, that of obtaining recognition of Bahá'í Holy Days in the local schools for the first time in Idaho.

"In the early days of our community, one couple held regular Friday night firesides and also conducted children's classes once a week. These important activities still continue, now as a primary community responsibility with adult study classes and children's classes scheduled weekly. Study material from the Bahá'í Publishing Trust serves as the guide for conducting these classes in a planned, orderly manner.

### Training for Future

"Training in conducting meetings, speaking, and being moderator and chairman has been a goal of community weekly meetings. All members of the community take part in these activities realizing they someday may be pioneers.

"Help with study activities was extended to the Bahá'í group in Pocatello. This proved to be a mutually rewarding experience for both communities; they saw a spark grow into a flame.

"Our members have spoken to service clubs and church groups, and one member has arranged to give talks to the comparative religion class of a nearby college each semester.

"A Sunday morning public service, patterned after those given in the Wilmette House of Worship, has afforded another opportunity to inform the public and to broaden the experience of the Bahá'ís.

"Proclamation in our community is an ongoing thing. Our phone listing, obtained at reduced cost as a religious organization, resulted in an enrollment. A consistent, steady effort has been the guiding principle, especially in newspaper publicity: A weekly paid advertisement; a

weekly fireside listing in the 'Heard About Town' column; weekly notices of all activities on the church page; submitting releases and pictures from the National Bahá'í Public Information Office (when appropriate); a letter to the editor for Race Unity Day; and four contributions to 'The Friday Pulpit,' a church page feature. These all provided an opportunity to explain Bahá'í principles.

"Free radio publicity on a local FM station has been obtained through use of the taped series *A World in Harmony*. This has been a regular Sunday morning feature for over two years, and was the impetus for another soul finding the Faith. Being accused as 'devil worshippers' by a person calling into a local radio station resulted in an invitation to discuss and answer questions about the Faith on the most popular talk show in the area — for one whole hour!

### Proclamation at State Fair

"Proclamation on a larger scale took place when we decided to man a fair booth at the Eastern Idaho State Fair. Invaluable experience was gained by all the Bahá'ís in explaining the Faith on a person-to-person basis. To follow up this regional proclamation, the film *And His Name Shall Be One* was shown in Pocatello, Blackfoot, and Idaho Falls, with twenty-one non-Bahá'ís attending in Idaho Falls, the largest number of seekers at one function here to date, and most of them youth.

"Several times the community has met together to say the 'Remover of Difficulties' 500 times to provide us with a source of inspiration for renewed teaching efforts and to help in solving the many and continuing problems in a spirit of detachment.

"Realizing the importance of the National Fund we voted to become a \$1000 assembly. An interesting sidelight regarding the fund concerns our newest member, who decided on enrollment earlier than she had first intended because she felt the 'spiritual' need to contribute 'materially.' Would that all Bahá'ís had that wisdom.

### Hosts for Area Youth Meet

"The community felt fortunate in hosting the first Area Youth Committee conference. The youth were welcomed by the Mayor, and the occasion was used to present *The Proclamation of Bahá'u'lláh* to him. Idaho Falls members were so inspired that we initiated another youth deepening conference for January 2-4. It was attended by fifty Bahá'ís and non-Bahá'ís from Montana, Utah, and Idaho.

"'Endeavor, ceaseless endeavor' has had its effect in bringing together a community of eighteen members on a firm foundation essential for growth and dispersal. Incorporation papers have been drawn up and approved by the National Spiritual Assembly. We hope to have this goal achieved by Riḍván.

"Future plans include the showing of the *New Wind* film in April, and the starting of their own firesides by the youth and pre-youth. We are striving to be obedient to the laws of Bahá'u'lláh, as a community and as individuals. From Faith, and now from experience, we know that Shoghi Effendi's guidelines really work."

## Youth Fund Goal

### What we have learned—

The record of youth contributions to the National Fund this year has been inconsistent to the point of being incomprehensible. The monthly total of youth contributions has fluctuated more than 500%, with a low of \$3,071 in June and a high of \$15,706 in January. The complete monthly record available at this time is as follows:

April	\$ 7,292
May	4,622
June	3,071
July	3,840
August	4,022
September	5,731
October	9,727
November	10,458
December	8,703
January	15,706
February	7,927
March 1st—26th	8,975
TOTAL	\$90,074

It seems obvious that, unless a miracle takes place, the American Bahá'í Youth will not meet their goal of \$200,000 by Ridván. The question remains — why?

The goal for contributions to the National Fund given to the 5,000 youth of the United States by the National Spiritual Assembly was well within their grasp, representing only \$40 per youth for the year. Hundreds of youth across the nation made contributions of much more than this, and some were able to sacrifice many times this amount. Yet total contributions have fallen far short of the mark.

It is clear that the root of the problem lies in a failure to heed the repeated call of the Universal House of Justice for *universal participation*. We have learned that the heroic sacrifices of a dedicated few are no longer sufficient to meet the needs of the Cause. It is only the united effort of the whole organism which will carry us to victory. The Universal House of Justice recognized this key fact as early as 1963. In that year it raised the call of universal participation and has repeated it again and again.

Either we have not understood this call, or we have not taken it seriously. The goal of pulling every single Bahá'í youth into the arena of dedicated service seems so far beyond our reach. But yet, as always, the answer is simple.

The Universal House of Justice explains: *The real secret of universal participation lies in the Master's oft-expressed wish that the friends should love each other, constantly encourage each other, work together, be as one soul in one body, and in so doing become a true, organic, healthy body animated and illumined by the spirit. In such a body all will receive spiritual health and vitality from the organism itself, and the most perfect flowers and fruits will be brought forth.* WELLSPRING OF GUIDANCE, p. 38-9

If we heed this advice in the coming year, the goal for youth contributions to the National Fund will be reached and surpassed.

## Communal Living

One of the most popular social practices reaching across America today is the living together of unrelated persons of opposite sexes without regard for the laws of marriage. Believers, particularly from among the youth, are experimenting with this immoral practice under the delusion that this is another area of service to the Cause of God. Because of the many consequences arising out of such experiments, the National Teaching Committee asked the National Spiritual Assembly for a clarifying policy statement on this matter.

The National Spiritual Assembly's response is as follows:

We appreciate very much the lofty motives and devoted efforts of those seeking to teach our beloved Faith in teams, but feel that arrangements in which unmarried Bahá'ís of different sexes take up residence in the same house with the intent of establishing a center of Baha'i activity are not in keeping with the Bahá'í standards of chastity. Although these friends should be encouraged to pursue their team-teaching objectives, they should be advised against "communal living" that will reflect adversely on the reputation of the Faith. Of course, there is no objection to a group of unrelated individuals of the same sex taking up residence in the same dwelling.

—NATIONAL TEACHING COMMITTEE

## Spanish - Speaking Teaching Committee

The National Teaching Committee has appointed a special advisory committee for the purpose of reaching the Spanish-speaking people of America. The committee will concentrate on reaching the large Mexican-American minority in the Southwest. The first meeting of this committee was convened in El Paso, Texas, March 7-8, 1970, with the following membership:

Mr. William Harrison, El Paso, Texas  
 Mr. Barney Baiz, Jr., Tucson, Arizona  
 Mr. Pedro Tijerina, Odessa, Texas  
 Mr. Reynaldo Cruz, Jr., Phoenix, Arizona  
 Mrs. Marilyn Herrera, Guadalupe, Arizona

This new teaching committee has delegated itself to be a team that leads by example. It proved itself in action on the evening of March 7, 1970. After meeting in the Bahá'í Center in El Paso on Saturday afternoon and reciting many Bahá'í prayers in Spanish, the committee dispersed into the surrounding neighborhood of predominantly Mexican-American people inviting them to a fiesta spontaneously planned for that evening. Results of this effort exceeded the estimate of any of the believers. By 9:00 p.m. the center was filled with lovely, laughing Spanish-speaking children. After the 10:00 p.m. El Paso curfew, the children had to go home, but were replaced by teenagers and many adult inquirers. The entire El Paso Spiritual Assembly participated in this event and all were exceedingly pleased by the spirit of the gathering and the receptivity of the pure souls who attended the party.

Follow-up activity in El Paso is planned, along with other key cities in the Southwest being contacted by the new committee to emphasize teaching among the Spanish-speaking minority the area.

Marzieh Gail's

# The Sheltering Branch

A Review

by

Annamarie Honnold

(101 pp., England: George Ronald 1959)

First American Edition, Bahá'í Publishing Trust, Wilmette, 1970

In *The Sheltering Branch* author Marzieh Gail depicts a quick glimpse of 'Abdu'l-Bahá, Exemplar of the Bahá'í Faith. Despite the brevity of the book — a mere 101 small pages — both the Master's exemplary life and the essence of His Message are warmly portrayed.

This spiritual essay is a gem — suitable for Bahá'ís and others, as well. Deflected by the title, a seeker at a library might pass it by. Obviously, the title must mean most to Bahá'ís, for the author has chosen her title from passages of Bahá'u'lláh's Writings, such as, "*Verily, those who withhold themselves from the shelter of the Branch are indeed lost in the wilderness of perplexity . . .*" and "*Blessed is whosoever sought shelter beneath it (the Branch of Holiness) and is of those who rest therein.*"<sup>1</sup> Bahá'ís, discovering this book, will respond with sheer delight; eagerly they will pass it on to those who search for words and ways of assurance in these troubled times.

*The Sheltering Branch* reminds one of an exquisite piece of woven cloth. With skill and ease the writer weaves a warm and colorful pattern. Her strands stem from a variety of sources: the diary of her mother, Florence Khánum — found after her death; the Writings of Bahá'u'lláh, 'Abdu'l-Bahá, and Shoghi Effendi; the Qur'án; and throughout she threads her own commentary, lending an intimate quality to the whole.

## 'Abdu'l-Baha

Impressions and anecdotes taken from the manuscript of Florence Khánum naturally have "only the status of all other pilgrims' reports," but they help to give "an impression of the Master as seen through Western eyes. . . ." She found Him "dazzlingly, spotlessly . . . shining, from snowy turban-cloth, to white, snowy hair falling upon His shoulders, to white snowy beard and long snowy garment. . . . Although it was high noon, in summer. . . . His attire was crisp and fresh-looking, as though He had not been visiting the sick, and in prison, and toiling for mankind since early morning. Often a deliciously fresh rose was tucked in His belt."<sup>2</sup>

While Florence Khánum was in 'Akká, the Master had His birthday with never a word about that 1844 event. Instead, He spoke of the Báb and of His Message. 'Abdu'l-Bahá was born during the very night when the Báb made His declaration. But the birthday was celebrated; two

hundred guests were expected. The Master Himself helped knead the bread which was baked in the ovens. Later, He helped pass the platters of lamb and rice and fruits. He poured out His love in word and act. When He spoke, He said, in effect, "*If one of you has been wounded in heart by the words or deeds of another, during the past year, forgive him now; that in purity of heart and loving pardon, you may feast in happiness, and arise, renewed in spirit.*"<sup>3</sup>

Throughout, the book is rich in spiritual food. Only a skilled writer could pack so much into so little space. She gives the reader much to savor: God and His Manifestations; man, the purpose of creation and the oneness of mankind; peace, love, and justice; science and economics; dreams, health, and death — and more! Quickly she disposes of Satan, reincarnation, and original sin, all of which are discredited in the Bahá'í Faith.

## Society Founded on Justice

Written as an essay, only topic headings divide the book. In one section Mrs. Gail clarifies the Bahá'í meaning in "Love is not Enough." Society cannot be founded only on love and forgiveness; "society must be founded on justice." Bahá'í Houses of Justice "are the most effective agency for the changing of human nature, and man's perfectibility is always the Master's *leitmotif*." Justice will be found through consultation, prayer, and unity.

'Abdu'l-Bahá said, "*The shining spark of truth cometh forth only after the clash of differing opinions.*"<sup>4</sup> And what of vengeance? What did Christ mean "about turning the other cheek?" Again she draws on the wisdom of the Master: ". . . *what Christ meant by forgiveness and pardon is not that, when nations attack you . . . you should be submissive. . . . No, the words of Christ refer to the conduct of two individuals towards each other. . . . So, if some one assaults, injures, oppresses, and wounds me, I will offer no resistance, and I will forgive him. But if a person wishes to assault Siyyid Manshádi [sitting at table] certainly I will prevent him.*"<sup>5</sup>

Elsewhere, the author ponders "The Gift of Health." Today doctors talk of psychosomatic medicine; 'Abdu'l-Bahá fed spiritual vitamins to the sick of soul. Health and inner peace are compounded of many ingredients: kindness, service, unity, and prayer; the avoidance of anger and jealousy; absolute love for others; contentment; a

combination of work and relaxation; obeying Bahá'í laws; moderation and discipline; cleanliness and personal purity. Always the Master was the Exemplar.

### "The Coming of the Glory"

In the final section on "The Coming of the Glory," Mrs. Gail's assurance of the forward march of this nascent Faith is made abundantly clear. In 1959, when this book was published, Bahá'ís were working in 251 nations and dependencies (314 by 1969) on the face of the planet. But when Bahá'u'lláh moved into exile with His family in 1853, traveling from Tíhrán and Baghdád, the party met not one believer. Over the years enemies and persecutions were numerous. 'Abdu'l-Bahá regarded articles adverse to the Faith as "the harmless twittering of sparrows." "6 In America in 1912 He referred to the "kind of movement or cause which from a very small, inconspicuous beginning goes forward with sure and steady progress, gradually broadening and widening until it has assumed universal dimensions. The Bahá'í movement is of this nature." "7

The reviewer is reminded of the words of historian H. G. Wells, written in the first third of this century: "... there may emerge a moral and intellectual revival, a religious revival, of a simplicity and scope to draw together men of alien races and now discrete traditions, into one common and sustained way of living for the world's service. We cannot foretell the scope and power of such a revival; we cannot even produce evidence of its onset. The beginnings of such things are never conspicuous. Great movements of the racial soul come at first 'like a thief in the night,' and then suddenly are discovered to be powerful and worldwide."

### A Delightful Essay

Marzieh Gail's book is charming, delightful. But it is far more. We earth people catch a glimpse of the divine way of life. Speaking of 'Abdu'l-Bahá, the author explains that

"We have tried to hint at His teaching methods, since He is above all the great Teacher, making reality come alive, instead of lying in the death of the abstraction." 8

Reality does come alive in her book. Tucked within its small covers is ample evidence that religion, reborn in the nineteenth century, emerges today alive, relevant, purified. If we came to the book convinced, we are reinforced; if we search in doubt, we are jarred to further study. But almost surely we are left inspired — for such is the nature of love.

*The Sheltering Branch* is an essay about love: the love of the writer for the Bahá'í Faith; the love of her parents for 'Abdu'l-Bahá; the love of 'Abdu'l-Bahá for God, Bahá'u'lláh, and all mankind. We come away feeling that we know the Master and love Him more, and that we want to grow in love for all mankind, for we have bathed in the warmth of One Who even in this century walked the earth as the most Christlike of men.

Marzieh Gail's mother "was the first American Bahá'í to marry a Persian. . . ." Her father was the late Mírzá 'Alí-Kuli Khán, "a noted Bahá'í scholar and translator who served in 'Akká for more than a year as an amanuensis of 'Abdu'l-Bahá. He was a member of the Persian delegation to the Peace Conference at Versailles." 9 Devoted to the Master, Who was still a prisoner, he and his young wife, nursing their first child, went on pilgrimage to 'Akká in 1906.

Mrs. Gail has written a number of books and articles on the Bahá'í Faith and other subjects, and these have won her wide acclaim. She is also a gifted Persian-English translator. Among her translations into English is 'Abdu'l-Bahá's *The Secret of Divine Civilization*.

[*The Sheltering Branch* is available in the United States from the Bahá'í Publishing Trust, Wilmette, Illinois 60091.]

References: (1) *Bahá'í World Faith*, pp. 206, 205.

*The Sheltering Branch*: (2) p. 75; (3) pp. 70-71; (4) p. 50; (5) p. 51; (6) p. 98; (7) p. 96; (8) p. 100; (9) see jacket.

## Bahá'í House of Worship

Wilmette, Illinois

### Daily Visiting Hours

10:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

### Sunday Devotions

3 to 3:30 p.m.

### Sunday Public Meetings

3:45 p.m.

## Calendar of Events

### Feasts

May 17—'Azamat (Grandeur)

June 5—Núr (Light)

### Holy Days

May 23—Declaration of the Báb

May 29—Ascension of Bahá'u'lláh

### Conferences

June 19-21—National Bahá'í Youth Conference

June 26-28—National Bahá'í Indian Conference

Bradenton, Florida, State-wide Bahá'í Gathering, February 1970.



## Florida

### Clearwater's Proclamation Week

The Clearwater Bahá'í Group became vitalized when Stanwood Cobb telephoned he would be arriving in about two weeks. Then Philip Marangella appeared on the scene. And then:

Within an eleven day period, January 19-29, the Clearwater Bahá'ís, eight in number, held six public talks, six evening firesides, three television interviews, one radio interview, one half-day Bahá'í deepening institute, and donated a total of twenty-two books to two public libraries.

Mrs. Jean Frankel Cook joined Mr. Cobb and Mr. Marangella as a panel for the Saturday evening discussion of "Truth for a New Day." And this public meeting was highlighted by the arrival of Hand of the Cause of God John Roberts.

During this proclamation period, a library display was up for four days in a Senior Citizens Activity Center, and eight days in the downtown public library. Eighty-five copies of Mr. Cobb's *Tomorrow and Tomorrow* were sold in conjunction with his talks. An almost-fifteen year old youth volunteered his entire savings to the expenses of the week and to the National Bahá'í Fund. He had vowed to sacrifice until it hurt. His generosity made many things possible.



Above: Hand of the Cause of God John Roberts (third row, far right), Philip Marangella (second row, second from left), and Stanwood Cobb (second row, second from right) at Clearwater's proclamation meeting. Below: Stanwood Cobb presents an autographed book to Mrs. Christine Morris, Librarian, Northeast Branch Library, Clearwater.



## Washington

The Lakewood Community, Pierce Co. No. 3, Bahá'ís presented copies of *Foundations of World Unity* and *Bahá'í World Faith* to the manager of the Tenzler Memorial Library in Lakewood, Tacoma, as part of their World Religion Day activity. Mrs. Lillian Rodriguez Chadwick, center, and Charles Sperling, right, made the presentation. Earlier, Mrs. Bertha Sperling had completed her pilgrimage, and she and the Faith received a fine, long write-up in the *Suburban Times*.



Lakewood Community, Pierce Co. #3, Tacoma, Washington, presents book to library.

## Michigan

When Radio Station WMRP called on Thursday, February 19, and asked if a representative of the Bahá'í Faith would take part in a new panel program, "Faith for Today," which was to be aired for the first time on Friday, February 20, let it be known that the Spiritual Assembly of the Bahá'ís of Flint carried through. Mrs. Jessie Peters, a member of the Assembly, participated during a forty-five minute prime time broadcast. Part of the program was a call-in question period.

## Pioneers



Our pioneers in the Dominican Republic: Left to right, Sheila Rice-Wray, and four pioneers who have gone there since Ridván 1969, Mrs. Carol Hoff, Maria Aybar, Dale Woods, and Rowell Hoff. At rear: Board of Counsellors member Artemus Lamb.

## Northwest Bahá'í Children's Conference—July 19-25

The conference opens with dinner on July 19 and closes after breakfast on July 25. Rates: \$11.00 per person. Family rates are available. The conference is for children of ages three through fourteen.

Information may be obtained from the registrar, Mrs. Ethlyn Lindstrom, 4874 Cedar Street, Astoria, Oregon 97103.

## Wisconsin

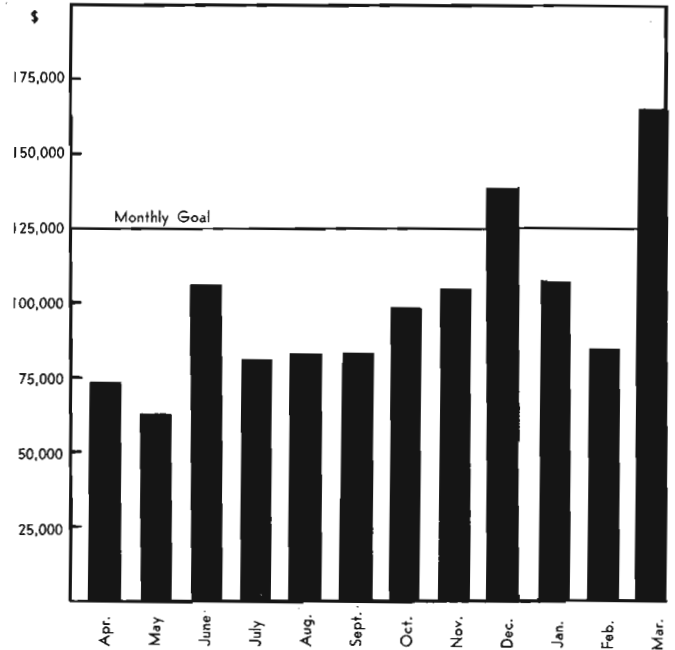
Some thirty-five Wisconsin Bahá'ís responded to a call of the Wisconsin State Goals Committee to attend a special training institute in Milwaukee on January 30-February 1. The purpose was to enlist and train Bahá'ís to go throughout the state to visit with isolated believers and small communities and groups, as well as to place books in libraries and open new cities to the Teachings.

Dr. Peter Khan, Auxiliary Board member, and Mrs. Khan, of Ann Arbor, Michigan, prepared and presented programs of inspiration, methods, and encouragement for the meetings. The five sessions were a steady study, discussion, and discovery of the sources from which Bahá'ís may derive guidance and plans for firesides and proclamation, and also review the laws which govern our daily activities. Basic texts for the institute were *Well-spring of Guidance* and *The Advent of Divine Justice*.

Albert and Maude Reimholz of the Brookfield Community and Mrs. Vivian Fellows of the Wauwatosa Community were in charge of the arrangements for the institute.

## National Bahá'í Fund

MONTHLY INCOME: 1969-1970



INCOME	March 1970	Fiscal Year to Date
Regular Contributions	\$108,511.23	\$ 895,717.79
Special Contributions	2,800.00	168,621.39
<b>Total Contributions</b>	<b>\$111,311.23</b>	<b>\$1,064,339.18</b>
Estates	52,608.87	117,481.48
Other Income	584.54	22,091.50
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$164,504.64</b>	<b>\$1,203,912.16</b>
Budget	\$125,000.00	\$1,500,000.00

Wisconsin Teacher Training Institute, January 30-February 1, 1970



## Colorprints of Houses of Worship

The color, matte-spray-finish photographs of the Houses of Worship and World Center, listed on page six of the Audio-Visual and Special Materials catalog, are out of stock indefinitely. To fill the need for color pictures of the Bahá'í Houses of Worship for both framing and exhibit use, two colorprint sets are now available from the Bahá'í Publishing Trust in Wilmette.

### Bahá'í Temples Colorprint Set

This set includes one full-color print of each of the four Houses of Worship: Kampala, Frankfurt, Sydney, and Wilmette. Each print is on 11½ x 12½ embossed card-stock with white border, with legends in large type for display purposes.

50-G-6001 Bahá'í Temples Colorprint Set

- One set, four prints . . . . . \$ 1.75
- Ten sets . . . . . \$12.50

### Wilmette Temple Colorprint Set

This set consists of two colorprints of the Wilmette House of Worship. The first is identical to the picture in the Temples Colorprint Set above. The second is a beautiful aerial picture of the House of Worship and gardens, showing Wilmette Harbor, Lake Michigan, and the cities of Evanston and Chicago in the distance.

50-G-6602 Wilmette Temple Colorprint Set

- Two prints . . . . . \$ 1.00
- Ten sets . . . . . \$ 6.50

**WHEN ORDERING:** Order through your Community Librarian. Community audio-visual orders of \$10.00 and over are sent postpaid (under \$10.00 add 10% handling.) All personal orders (of any amount) must include payment plus 10% handling.

## New Mexico

The Gallup Bahá'í Community "had a wonderful time" during the Intercalary Day period. Following their regular Thursday evening fireside, they held a party on Friday evening with about forty present, half of them non-Bahá'ís.

On Saturday, February 28, Sandø Berger of McKinley County opened his one-man art show at the Public Library, with paintings and sculpture. This was followed by a buffet supper at the Laites, and then a talk by Lisa Janti, who came especially for the opening of the exhibit. Mostly non-Bahá'ís at this affair.

On Sunday, a party for the children of the neighborhood and from the Navajo Reservation. All had a good time.

## IN MEMORIAM

Miss Elizabeth Brooks  
Rochester, New York  
February 14, 1970

Mark Burnside  
Winslow, Arizona  
February 21, 1970

Mrs. Rena Demastus  
Staunton, Virginia  
February 18, 1970

Lloyd C. Elliott  
Lansing, Michigan  
October 31, 1969

Mrs. Minnie Hansen  
Plainfield, Wisconsin  
February 1970

Miss Valerie Joyce  
Burlingame, California  
February 20, 1970

Miss Rhea M. Keegan  
Takoma Park, Maryland  
February 8, 1970

Mrs. Elise R. Mancha  
Los Angeles, California  
February 14, 1970

Howard V. Rhude  
Farmington, New Mexico  
February 11, 1970

Mrs. Ellnor M. Roberts  
Pocatello, Idaho  
February 24, 1970

Miss Elsa H. Steinmetz  
Bern, Switzerland  
March 13, 1970

Miss Rezsí Sunshine  
Argentina, South America  
March 6, 1970

Mrs. Melissa Toms  
South Windham, Maine  
No date

Mrs. Rose A. Tutiven  
Chicago, Illinois  
December 9, 1969

Harrison Wheatley  
Battle Creek, Michigan  
February 21, 1970

Hugo Q. Woodyear  
St. Albans, New York  
March 8, 1970



Mr. Francis Czerniejewski (left), Superintendent of Buildings at the National Bahá'í Center, Wilmette, accepts an Award of Merit issued in the name of "The Bahá'í House of Worship" "for lighting excellence." The award was presented by the Chicago Lighting Institute recently. Some of the engineers and officials of firms taking part in the project are shown with Mr. Czerniejewski.