

Bahá'í News

Davison Bahá'í School Announces Program for "Homecoming" over Labor Day Weekend

One of the high-points of the season takes place at the Davison Bahá'í School over the Labor Day weekend, September 5, 6, and 7. Traditionally, "Homecoming" provides the exciting and fruitful conclusion to the summer session at the school, and is the occasion for a giant get-together before regional Bahá'ís scatter for another several months.

Area youth will open the weekend session at 10 a.m. on Saturday, September 5, and will also have charge of the program that evening. On Saturday afternoon a symposium on "Teaching the Faith" will be conducted: Speakers will be Winston Evans of Nashville, Tenn.; Archie Tichenor of New Jersey, and Violet Wuerfel of Ann Arbor, Mich. These three people constitute the major teachers and speakers for the weekend.

Sunday morning Miss Wuerfel, recent winner of one of the Valley Forge Medals for outstanding teaching of American citizenship in public schools, will speak on "America's Spiritual Mission."

The public talk on Sunday afternoon at 3 p.m. will be given by Winston Evans, and is entitled "The Search for Truth." Refreshments will be served; Bahá'ís have found this an excellent time for introducing their friends to the School and to other Bahá'ís.

Sunday evening Archie Tichenor will speak on "Reaching the Eyes and the Ears of the World." Mr. Tichenor's experience in audio-visual work will provide the background for his talk.

The program will be officially closed on Monday morning, September 7th, when Mr. Evans paradoxically draws the curtain with a talk—"Make a Beginning!"

In addition, "Homecoming" scheduling at Davison always allows plenty of time for special events, such as reports from friends recently returned from faraway places, and also provides ample allowance for visiting and individual exchange of news and activities.

This excellent program will attract another capacity crowd such as Davison enjoyed for Homecoming last year, so those planning to attend overnight or for the weekend are advised to send in reservations as early as possible to assure accommodations. Write: The Registrar, Davison Bahá'í School, 3208 South State Road, Davison, Mich.

New National Teaching Committee Appointed

The friends are requested to note that there has been a complete change in the membership of the American National Teaching Committee this year. The members are: Hugh Chance, chairman; Mrs. Velma Sherrill, secretary; Lloyd Sherrill, and Paul Moon.

The National Spiritual Assembly urges the full cooperation of local spiritual assemblies, Bahá'í groups, national committees, and individual believers in all the plans made by this committee for the acceleration of teaching on the home front.

All correspondence with the American National Teaching Committee should be addressed to: Mrs. Velma Sherrill, secretary, Room 1311, 411 N. 7th Street, St. Louis 10, Mo.

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Reference Library Committee Material Listed

The National Reference Library Committee calls attention to the following material, prepared and distributed under its direction, that may be useful in teaching: Mimeographed record prepared by Mrs. Juliet A. Cole from *Star of the West* items, *Early History of the Bahá'í Faith in the United States* (15 pages).

This is to be ordered at 35c per copy from the National Reference Library Committee.

Four mimeographed articles written by Mrs. Gene Crist as a "bridge" between Christianity and the Bahá'í Faith: *God's Everlasting Covenant*, *Progressive Revelation*, *Prophecy*, and *The Return of Christ*; cost, 75c for the set.

Mimeographed compilation prepared by Mrs. Crist on *Teaching the Bahá'í Faith*; cost, 20c separately or 15c if ordered with the set.

These are to be ordered from the National Reference Library Committee; Mrs. Marian C. Lippitt, secretary; 1587 Virginia Street East; Charleston 1, W. Va.

Recording of Dr. Giachery's Talks Available

Hand of the Cause Dr. Ugo Giachery, during his brief visit to the United States in April, addressed two Bahá'í audiences in the middle west and two in the east. A tape recording was made of his talks at West

WORLD CRUSADE BUDGET

Seventh Year: 1959-1960

Annual Budget	\$400,000.00
Total Requirements: May 1 to June 30	66,666.00
Total Contributions: May 1 to June 30	52,250.00

Total Requirements for June	33,333.00
Total Contributions for June	26,900.00

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Englewood, N.J., and in New York, and copies are now available at \$3.75 postpaid. They should be ordered from the Audio-Visual Education Committee, 126 Evergreen Place, West Englewood, N.J.

Since Dr. Giachery's talks on these occasions were for Bahá'ís only the tapes should be played only at meetings for believers.

Photographs of Guardian's Monument, Temple Models Are Now Available

The Bahá'í Sales Committee announces that copies of the photograph of the Guardian's monument (published in the March 1959 issue of BAHÁ'Í NEWS) are available at \$1.00 each. The size is 6 x 8 inches.

Models of the Bahá'í House of Worship, in plaster with antique finish, are again available at \$20.00 each, plus shipping charges.

Orders for these items, with accompanying remittance, should be addressed to: Bahá'í Sales Committee, 112 Linden Ave., Wilmette, Ill.

Ventura Meetings Attract Favorable Publicity

The Bahá'ís of Ventura, Calif., began a series of weekly public meetings on January 23 to proclaim the teachings of the Bahá'í Faith. These meetings were sponsored by the Los Angeles Bahá'í community, who

furnished speakers for each meeting.

Topics such as "What is Bahá'í?," "Religion for Modern Life," and "Bahá'ís and World Affairs" stimulated wide interest in Ventura and in many outlying cities. Attendance was termed very good.

One of the gratifying results of these meetings was the cooperation received from the local newspapers, which formerly were uncooperative. When the meetings were started a display advertisement featuring an illustration of the Temple and "Words for the World" was planned for each Saturday's issue.

A result of this publicity has been the request for a feature story on the House of Worship and its function. Of even greater importance, there were two enrollments at Riqvân, and several contacts continue to attend firesides.

"Perhaps other small groups will find encouragement from this report," the Ventura correspondent writes. "It is definitely the result of prayer, hard work, a unity of spirit, regular publicity, and cooperation."

Marriages

Evanston, Illinois: Miss Sue Williston to Mr. Khalil Aktar-Khavari on June 6, 1959

Wilmette, Illinois: Miss Judith Ann Bernstein to Mr. William S. Hatcher on June 6, 1959

Detroit, Michigan: Miss Manijeh Roshan to Dr. Siavash Varjavandi on December 12, 1958

Portland, Oregon: Dr. Mabel B. Easter to Mr. Fred S. Young on May 15, 1959

Los Angeles, Calif.: Miss Catherine Iyott to Mr. Orville Jones, Jr. on June 16, 1959

San Diego, Calif.: Mrs. Marie Ray to Mr. Gregory Lee Boddy on May 29, 1959

In Memoriam

Mrs. Alice Austin Seeger
Fruitport, Michigan
May 18, 1959

Mr. Sylvanus H. Hart
Hempstead, L.I., N.Y.
March 17, 1959

Mrs. H. H. Casselman
Reseda, Calif.
April 7, 1959

Mrs. Genevieve Talley
Penn Yan, N.Y.
April 4, 1959

Mr. E. George Washington
Monrovia, Liberia
May 30, 1959

Mrs. Anna Cooksey
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May 25, 1959

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