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# AHMADIYYA GAZETTE

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## HAZUR'S RECENT BLISSFUL VISIT TO EUROPE

Below is a summary of a very spiritual and enlightening sermon by Hazrat Khalifatul Masih III: delivered at Rabwah on Friday, Oct. 31, 1975.—Ed.

In the beginning of his Khutba, Hazur mentioned about his indisposition which had started with an attack of flu in November last year. He later had intermittent bouts of mild illness followed by an infection of his kidneys or urinary bladder. This was accompanied with fever and chills. The sugar level in the body was also increased. Although the fever subsided, the infection persisted. The doctors were concerned about it, so it was suggested by the Jamaat that he should proceed overseas for a complete medical checkup. Hazur mentioned that he consulted various medical experts in England. After a series of X-rays and various tests he had the necessary treatment. The doctors were satisfied with the results and he was told that he was not suffering from anything serious which they were probably concerned about earlier. Hazur said, "It is just by the Grace of Allah that I was granted health and it was made possible for me to be amidst you

all, and we have achieved what we had desired for. The fact is that a Jamaat and its Imam are two different names for the same spiritual body. Both the Imam and the Jamaat have such a spiritual relationship which is very profound and strong and there should be no break in our relationship caused by my illness which has ended by the grace of Allah." Hazur further said, "I pray to Allah that there may be no change in the relationship between me and you all. I hope that you also pray for the same objective. May Allah grant us good health so that we can carry out our responsibilities which have entered a new stage."

After this Hazur mentioned about the extraordinary blessings of Allah on every step during his European tour with special reference to the laying of the foundation stone of a new Mosque in Gothenburg, Sweden. This will be the first Mosque in that country. He mentioned about the excellent site of the Mosque and how various obstacles regarding the building had cleared. He also mentioned how the weather had become clear during the ceremony of laying the foundation stone despite the prediction of very bad weather

by the weather department in Sweden. The event received wide publicity in the Swedish Press. Many Christians who attended the ceremony later joined in the prayer with the Ahmadies. He said that these were all very special signs revealed by Allah. He also went on to mention that Allah has granted the Jamaats outside Pakistan the ability to bear the financial burden of the building of the Mosque. In the end Hazur mentioned the acceptance of the truth and joining Ahmadiyat of many Yugoslavians living in the Scandinavian countries. About forty Yugoslavian families have entered the fold of Ahmadiyat and by the Grace of Allah their number is increasing. These new converts are so dedicated and devoted that they not only read the Holy Quran regularly but teach their children also and stress upon them to follow the teachings of the Holy Quran. Hazur said that only by following the teachings of the Holy Quran we can have the Blessings of Allah. Every one among us should pay attention to prayers and good deeds, then only can we be the recipients of Allah's blessings and attain other goals. This is the only way that humanity will be able to gather under the banner of Hazrat Muhammad (on whom be peace and blessings of Allah) and acclaim and glorify the existence of our God!

SPEECH TO LAJNA DELIVERED  
BY HAZUR ON AUG. 12, 1973 AT  
THE LONDON MOSQUE

Below we reproduced excerpts from Hazur's address to Lajna in England for what applies to one country equally applies to others. The speech is a clear cut injunction on Pardah to Lajnas every where. — Ed.

Hazur observed; in this country, there is a big attraction of the world, and mothers have to put an extra effort for up-bringing and safe-guarding their children, but they must make this effort. Other-

wise, the garden of the Holy Prophet will not yield that kind of fruit or retain that fertility for which the Promised Messiah has been sent to this world. This is not merely a responsibility but the work is blessed with benign qualities. If we had sense, we would be prepared to bear these hardships and the responsibilities entrusted to us, and think nothing of the difficulties to be faced, the trials to be undergone and the responsibilities to be borne by us. Hazur then went on to explain how through prayers we can remove our difficulties, trials and tribulations and how it was Islam that brought about a unique revolution in this world. Common sense tells us that today's comforts are false: otherwise if this comfort was really a comfort, the world would not have discarded the fashions of yesterday or yester-years. In 1970, there was a trend to mini-skirts, and Begum Sahiba was asked by a local shopkeeper if she could allow the patent to be copied as the wearing of the veil may soon be the next fashionable design. To some extent, the long dress gown (maxi) is a step towards this direction. Instead of serving as an example for them to copy or emulate, an Ahmadi sister is following their fashions. The hem-lines on the BURQA went up and eventually this yielded to a trend of wearing the NIQAB (veil) only. Hazur posed this question: "Why did you not act upon the teachings of the Holy Quran in the first place?" Hazur said that the Holy Quran gave very clear and unambiguous instructions about purdah. It explained that there are two types of ZEENATS (nearest translation: a personal thing of beauty, hidden). One of them is connected with human beings and the second is artificial like the wearing of jewellery and ornaments. It is madness and strictly forbidden in Islam to walk around with lip-stick and trinkets worn as a means of attraction. To hide the bodily ZEENAT, the Holy Quran classifies certain

recent visit to London, which was a treat for the local Jamaat. Munir Shams is presently reported to be visiting Washington and New York Jamaats.

#### CINCINNATI, OHIO

Several members of the Dayton Jamaat attended a meeting in Cincinnati held at the house of Br. Nur Ilahi. Cincinnati was once one of the biggest Jamaats and Dr. Arshad and Br. Nur Ilahi have now decided to regenerate and rejuvenate brothers and sisters available in the town, some of whom have now fallen into inactivity. The Regional Missionary addressed the gathering on the beauties of Islam and the Regional Amir Br. Muzaffar explained the fundamental difference between Christianity and Islam in answer to questions asked by several Christians present at the meeting.

#### NATIONAL PREACHING DAY

As decided by the National Executive Committee, sufficient quantity of handbills (leaflets) were dispatched to various Jamaats to be distributed on the Preaching Day (Nov. 27) along with other local publications. Reports on Jamaats activities and achievements will be published on receipt.

#### ELECTIONS

Elections of Amirs and other office-holders are to be held in January, 1976 on two year basis, in all Jamaats and results submitted to Imam Shahid for confirmation by the third week at the latest. Please stick to the time limit.

#### EFFECTIVE & ACTIVE

At Washington on Nov. 6, 1975, Imam Shahid received 12 students from the American University along with their Professor. Imam Shahid showed them round, lectured on Islam for over an hour and cleared

several misconceptions through answers to their questions.

On Nov. 16, he visited Teaneck, N. J. to select site for the next Annual Convention in consultation with the Jamaat concerned. Earlier he had led the Jumma prayers at the New York Mosque, and later on Nov. 21, flew to Cleveland to lead the funeral prayers for Br. Kamal ud Din Kaloo (details elsewhere).

On his way back to Washington, he visited Dayton and is scheduled to visit Baltimore on Nov. 30, 1975.

#### RECOGNITION

Amir Muzaffar Ahmad Zafr who was recently instrumental in rendering effective social service to the Dayton community, was the distinguished recipient of an award at a special function held by the West Dayton area on Nov. 22, 1975. Earlier, Chief of the Police Staff, Exec. Assistant to Mayor and City Commission and Judge Bush P. Mitchell of the Dayton Municipal Court sent personal communications, appreciating and commending him for 'non-violent services rendered by him and his Jamaat which established influence in the area at a time when fear and tension pervaded the atmosphere.'

#### WELCOME

We offer our heartiest welcome to Imam Masud Ahmad Jehlumi our experienced and properly trained missionary with about a decade's successful missionary work in Europe, mainly at Frankfurt, Germany behind him. He arrived in New York on Nov. 29, 1975. The youthful Imam will Insha Allah prove an asset to our missionary activities in America.

#### WEDDING

Sister Atiyyatus Sabur and Br. Yusuf Amin were married on Nov. 15, at the Fazle Omar Mosque. The 'Nikah' ceremony was attended by a score of Christian friends in addition to members of the Jamaat, who were all

entertained to the Walima on Nov. 16, 1975.

Our heartiest congratulations to the couple. Sister Sabur is a secretary in Project Cure and accepted Islam a little while ago, and is the daughter of a Baptist Minister.

DECEASED

Br. Kamal ud Din Kaloo (in his nineties) breathed his last on Nov. 18, 1975 at Cleveland, Ohio. He was the father-in-law of Dr. Usama, Br. Wasim, Br. Jameel and Br. Naeem.

Imam Shahid led the funeral prayers on Nov. 21. Mian Muhammad Ibrahim and numerous other brothers including Br. Shaheed from Pittsburg also joined. Our sympathies with the members of the bereaved family.

DOCTORATE

Ch. M. Arshad ( M.A. Math, Cincinnati University) has now obtained his doctorate in Vocational Education (Technical) at the Cincinnati University. Our congratulations to him.

NEXT ISSUE

The next issue of the Ahmadiyya Gazette will be published in the first week of February, 1976, to accommodate impressions of our delegation.

Cincinnati has been now formally instituted as a separate Jamaat with Doctor Arshad (formally elected) as its Amir.

BIRTH

Their third, son was born on Nov. 9, 1975 to Dr. Rab Nawaz Malik of Richland Center and his wife, Naeema daughter of late Hazrat Maulana A. R. Dard. Our congratulations.

IMPRESSIONS REQUESTED

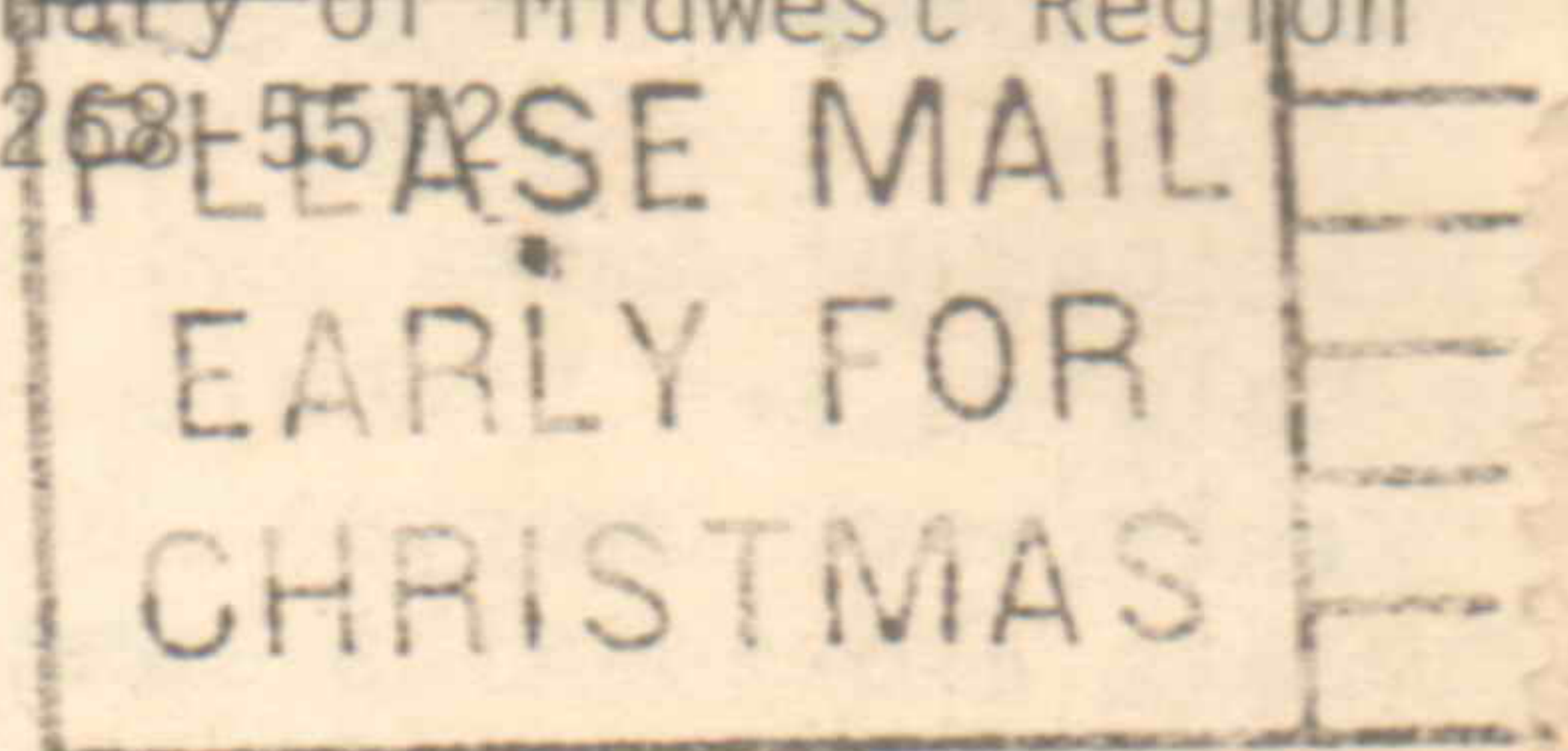
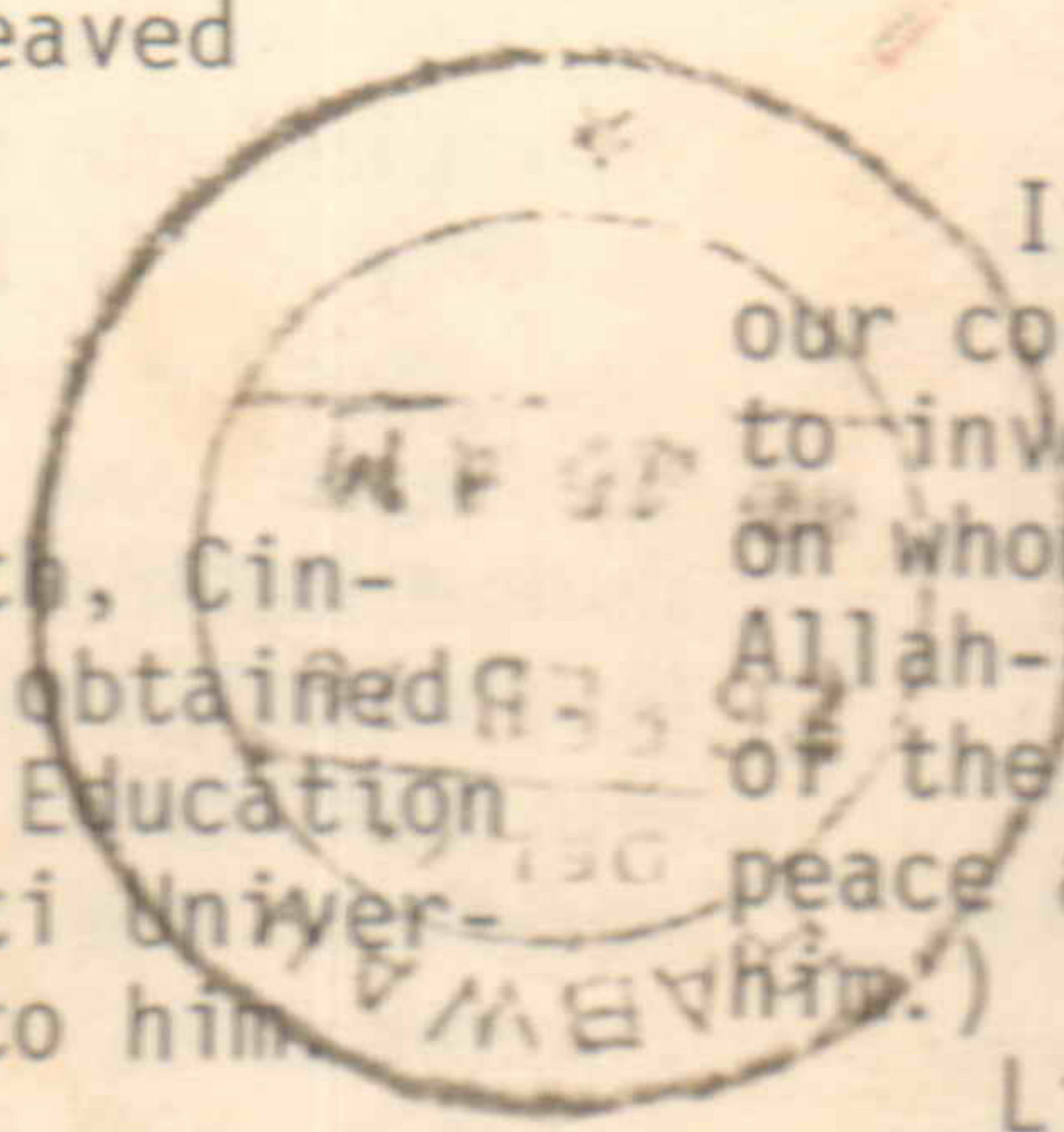
Visitors are requested to communicate to the Editor their impressions about the trip as soon as they arrive back — 20th, Jan. 1976 at the latest.

ISLAMIC TERMINOLOGY

It should be carefully noted by our correspondents that we are enjoined to invoke (Sallalaho elaihe wa Sallaum) on whom be peace and blessings of Allah— whenever we mention the name of the Holy Prophet - Muhammad (May peace and blessing of Allah be upon him.)

Likewise, our new converts to Islam should remember that the term (Alai his Salam)-- may peace be on him-- is exclusively applied to Prophets, and is not used with reference to Caliphs. The term we affix with a Caliphs is (Raze Allaho Unho)-Allah be pleased with him.

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