

Tues 28.7.25

The first round of Babu's inspection began from the Hospital today. He ~~asked~~ ^{enjoined upon} the persons concerned to disinfect the place and beddings of the late Sir Nelsons carefully and thoroughly. In the Marathi schools Shri's attention was drawn to the inadvisability in this atmosphere of letting boys and girls ~~do~~ ^{going} their lessons in one & the same premises, hence ~~today he~~ instructed ~~for~~ however small bolt of them be, and hence he instructed for a separate small room to be ~~to~~ erected for the few girls that are in this institution. Then he came to the grinding room and made up the deficit of 'Atha' (meals) for the day by grinding himself. After this he visited the unteachable section of the school and drew a few figures on his slate and asked the teacher of the infant class through signs to make the boys read what he had written. Foot ball game ~~was~~ has once again been started here of late. Shri took a very lively and active ~~the~~ share therein today. The boys have been informed today, ^{that} they will be allowed a holiday on Saturday next to witness the ~~immersion~~ last Moharrum day and the immersion of the Taziyahs or Taboots when they will also be provided with eatables there at Fagor. Arjuna was also instructed by Shri to inaugurate the 'Saptah' ceremony of Krishna-Janam and do all the needful in the matter under his own supervision.

Wed. 29. 7. 25. At supper time the bread was found to have run short a little. Shri became very excited with the party concerned ~~and~~ in charge of the Kitchen department. So much so that he suddenly began walking rapidly towards Dagar. Bal was the first to run after him with the slate & pencil when after some time Arjoon and Behramji also followed him. At a little distance the latter two over took Baba and after some remonstrations succeeded in persuading him to return back. After his return Shri inspected the drinking water vessels and found some mosquito larvae there in when another storm was begun but this time it soon ended with warnings to those in charge of water service to be careful of filtrations and coverings. Before the divine discussions began a talk on the current affairs was carried on for some time after the supper. Shri warned all to be very careful of their health. At the first signs of any physical irregularity all should alone take recourse to medical help. In serious cases the advice of the civil surgeon should be freely taken and so on. While Baba also coaxed to the Dispensary authorities to send away serious cases of outsiders and other than ~~these~~ those of the mandali to the Government Hospital at Dagar to avoid the police botheration & technical tangles. The question of the "Saptah" ceremony was also brought in for discussion. The general manager informed Baba that a meeting of the mandali took place in the morning and it was decided that this purely Hindoo ceremony should first be avoided if possible in view of the ~~cosmopolitan~~ cosmopolitan nature of Babas followers who included ~~societies~~ the Paris Christians and Mohammedans, besides the hindoos and since specially the holidays of the latter were not so very punctually and grandly observed. Or if at all the 'Septah' ceremony was allowed, it should be held at a reasonable distance of the mandalis sleeping place so to reduce the Bhajan noise.

and avoid the disturbance in sleep and rest. Baba at this
~~said he welcomed~~ At this Shri wrote, that he welcomed the
did not mind at their having a meeting, on the contrary he
would ask them to come together now & then, and discuss and
decide for better arrangements and facilities but they should
not go so far as to set aside his express orders and instructions.

After some more discussions the resolutions about the 'Saptah' was duly withdrawn by all with apologies, and the spiritual topic was begun which lasted till 10. P.M. providing a grand
intellectual & mental treat.

Thur. 30. 7. 25

On account of Thursday there was an unusual
crowd of visitors to Baba. Despite of his Silence there is always
a good number of them coming to Baba, specially every
Thursday & Sunday. Amongst these were some who had
come from Bombay and Poona. The sweets etc brought by the
latter provided a good treat to the boys amongst whom it was
all distributed. Arjoon Gupte was granted a four-days leave
today and accordingly he left Hyderabad in the afternoon
along with the out-stations visitors to catch the evening train to
Poona. All the boys and teaching staff gave "rousing send
off" to "The Director of Depressed Class Education" by
presenting ~~themselves~~ themselves along the Railway line
conforming wiring at the time the train passed Tachkotad
in a orderly line wearing St. Kerchieves & crying Jai-Jai.

Since his vow of silence Shri has begun to write
down a book, and it is in this very connection that he has
been reported in the foregoing pages as doing some work
behind closed doors specially every morning. Accordingly
along with his general management & inspection he
frequently closed himself alone in his 'Gopdi' to attend
his writing work.

Fri. 31.7.25

Amongst the visitors today Baba's senior maternal uncle Dardouji Sherwani was also one. He had come for Shree Varshan from Lon. Baba enquired the health of the mandali the first thing in the morning after his usual bath and after that he went in his ghoydi for the morning writing work.

As per the programme already settled the schools were closed from this afternoon for a day and a half in connection with the Moharrum holiday. All the boys were paid small cash sums & for sweets etc for tomorrow.

The older boys were given four annas each, the younger 1/2 annas and the youngest an anna each respectively.

Shri also distributed with his own hands the monthly wages of the paid teaching staff and other hired labour to the parties concerned when he also warned them all with signs and writing in suitable words to be very careful, hardworking and honest in their duties.

In the absence of the boys the usual sports and Bhajans were not held in the evening, however the night discussions were duly carried out between Shri & the mandali.