

Sat 23.1.26.

Baba's Age!

This afternoon Mr Anpal pleader and Bhavosa Bhajansari and many more of Shri's devotees at Nagar began to pour in, ^{one} after the other in a very excited condition. Their post haste arrival at that odd hour was due to a strong rumour having somehow got spread in Ahmednagar that Shri Baba had left the body! Whether the rumour

originated through some misunderstanding or was
purposely instigated by some mischievous agencies
~~was never found~~ could not be decided for certain.

Be it, as it may there was an ~~was~~ unusual
crowd of people from Ahmednagar to witness for
themselves the rumoured incident. At this Baba
declared with signs that for the next 26 years He would
not leave his body even if the heavens and earth
came together for that purpose, after that it would be
a question of fancy on his part, although He would
not retain his bodily connection after 90 years at
the most.

Sun. 24. 1. 26.

The usual Bhajans and Purans were
held as on every Sunday. In view of the ever increasing
visitors and the consequent large number of motors
and carriages that obstruct the road here and there,
arrangements were made today by marking out
certain areas for motors horse-carriages and bullock-
carts respectively as separate stands respectively near the
Dharmashala. Boards indicating the different stands
were duly put up in a prominent position on those
spots. As has been going on off and on these days a
rehearsal of the "Shivaji" drama was again gone through

Thur. 28. 1. 26.

Babajan's Birthday.

Babajan's birthday was observed today.
The school and dispensary were closed for the day. In
addition to that, it being Thursday the crowd of visitors
was unusual and the colony was ringing with the
or the other of the ceremonies, bhajans etc throughout
the day. Specially the actual "Birth" ceremony in the

evening was witnessed to be a very enthusiastic and devotional function with the ringing bhajan, the sweet Arti repetitions and the devotional swinging of a small 'cradle'. At the conclusion of which Baba distributed sweets to all. At the tea party at Gur Shahnud's place this afternoon Baba dwelt at length on the delicate question of the 'Vital fluid'. The party were clearly explained all the aspects of this very necessary ~~(but generally avoided under a false sense of modesty)~~ ~~open~~ subject which is generally avoided under a false sense of modesty. All lusty discharges were termed to be very bad weather, ^{resulting} through natural or unnatural means excepting the passing of the matter while dreaming. This was said to be due to 1. Vulger thoughts entertained in the day time 2. Indigestion 3. Past sanskars. ~~So far as~~ Hence bad thoughts should not be entertained and the mind be kept engaged in Service with love and devotion. ~~The even the loving relation between man & wife in spite of the~~ Similarly proper care of health should be observed. Excepting the relations between man & wife which are generally based upon ~~to~~ mutual love, such indulgences were again & again during the explanations impressed upon all to be very dangerous as the Sankars were thereby increased enormously. ~~Spending~~ Spending up the body was said to be essential. But not spending it away with discharges! On the contrary the body was to be spent away in the ~~long~~ Service of Love and the Love of God. The rains do a lot of good, without which people would not get food and drink but it should rain, ⁱⁿ ~~at~~ the right way.

Otherwise, Baba added referring to the shower that had come that day "such untimely showers instead of bringing about prosperity, cause damage to crops & human life ~~that~~ through a bad climate" It was for nearly two hours that Baba kept on explaining the subject with signs and writing, ~~to the full~~ completely convincing the party with the home-truths of his assertions.

Fri. 29. 1. 26.

It was raining hard throughout the day, but in spite of that Baba did not miss his frequent daily rounds of inspections throughout the colony.

Every and each department and institution fell the searching attention and enquiries.

Besides, the annual examinations of the school, ^{that} were held today received due attention from Baba in addition to his usual writing work.

Sat. 30. 1. 26.

The school was closed today on account of the examinations that were held yesterday and the boys were given a holiday. The drama rehearsal was gone through twice today.