Page 18A . THE CHARLOTTE POST - Thursday, November 7, 1985 International Year Of Peace Proclaimed

Dear Sir,

Beginning on October 24, the day that the Interna-tional Year of Peace is proclaimed in the United states, Heads of State around the globe (including President Reagan and the U.N. Secretary General) will receive delegations from the Baha'i. Communities that will present a message titled "THE PROMISE OF WORLD PEACE." This message was prepared by the Universal House of Justice, the organization serving as world head of the Baha'i Communities.

This statement is directed to the nation's and peoples of the world. In addition to the Heads of State, a wide variety of national and government officials all over the world will receive the statement and it will be shared with the public. Mrs. Celeste Hicks of the Charlotte Baha'i Community reports that "THE PROMISE OF that "THE PROMISE OF WORLD PEACE" presents a unique view of the world situation. The message will examine the relations of education, religion and the status of women as well as political, social and econo-mic problems, to the establishment of peace. (The Bata'is maintain that peace is possible and can be established by the peoples of the world.) "THE PROMISE OF WORLD PEACE" includes the following: 1. How

the following: 1. How world peace can be estab-lished and what has pre-vented man from obtaining see and how these barpeace and new incoved; 2. riers can be removed; 2. The spiritual principles by which man can translate its disunity into lasting its disunity into lasting peace and the solutions to practical social problems; 3. It reveals the full mea-sure of mankind's destiny on earth and the innate excellence of man's reali-ty; 4. If establishes that religion is a key element creating order in the pro-cess of world unity and the affairs of men; 5. It establishes the achieve-ment of the emancipation of women as one of the establishes the achievs-ment of the emancipation of women as one of the most important prerequi-sites of peace; 6. If estab-lishes a key prerequisite for world peace is the ad-vent of sustained racial milty 2. If calls for an unity; 7. It calls for an all embracing assemblage of men and women coming together to search for solutions to the world's pro-blems through consulta-tion and lays the ways and means as well as the foundations for peace; 8. It rebukes unbridled nation-

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during influence; 10. It states that we must abandon our prejudices of every kind and accept the principle of the oneness of mankind as the first prerequisite for "the reorganization and administration of the world as one country, the home of mankind." These are but a few of

the profound points that can be gleaned from this message of "THE PRO-MISE OF WORLD PEACE" from the Universal House of Justice. The Baha'i Communities worldwide believe and are confident that the age-old dream that peace is pos-sible can be a reality and is at our fingertips. The Baha'is desire to impart to everyone the emphatic pro-mise of Baha'u'llah, the Prophet Founder of the Baha'l Faith that "....these ruinous wars shall pass away and the 'Most Great Peace' shall come."

More than one hundred years ago, the Founder of the Baha'i Faith, Baha'u'llah, (translated from Arabic: "The Glory of God"), wrote letters to the kings and rulers of many countries, calling them to join together and establish a lasting peace. Since this call was not heeded, Baha'is feel that the summons must be made again.

The Baha'i Faith is the newest of the world's revealed religions. Founded in 1844 in Persia (now. Iran), the Baha'i Faith faced decades of bloody repression in the land of its origin. Despite constant op-position, there are now over 111,000 Baha'i communities around the globe, including more than 360 nations and territories. Today, the Baha'is are once again facing severe persecution in Iran. The oppression of the Iranian Baha'is, solely for religious motives, has been con-demed by international or-ganizations, national go-vernments and the media on all continents.

Hallmarks of the Baha'i Faith are belief in the oneness of mankind, the essential unity of the world's great religious teachings and the unques-tionable sovereignty of one God.

The Baha'i Faith derives

Speaking Out tige to join a religious movement which promise that a new and universal Messenger was soon to appear sent by God. When Baha'u'llah was imprisoned in Teheran in 1853. He received what Baha'is believe to be a revelation from God, naming Him as this universal Messenger.

After release from the dungeon in Teheran, the next forty years of Baha'u'llah's life were a series of exiles, imprisonments, persecutions and tortures, perpetrated by two govern-ments and the clergy they supported. It was while Baha'u'llah was under house arrest in Adrianople and again while imprisoned in the barracks of Akka; Palestine (now Israel;, that He wrote letters summoning many

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lowing statement was is-sued by John E. Jacob, President of the NUL, and comments on the report on the health status of blacks and Hispanics issued by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

The Department of Health and Human Services' report on the health status of blacks and Hispanics is disappointing in that it fails to tell us anything about the health of black Americans that we have not known before. In several of our recent annual reports on "The State of Black America" we have covered much the same ground as HHS. We are somewhat encouraged by the fact that the govern-ment has expressed grave concern about the disparity in the health of whites and members of minority groups and has agreed that many of these disparities are preventable.

are preventable. However, the report of-fers very little in the way of reducing these disparities since nothing new in the way of programs or poli-cies is being proposed, and in the absence of some fresh approaches, it is most difficult to see how the health of blacks and other minorities will be imminorities will be im-

heads of state to listen to the new message He was bringing from God and to establish peace. Baha'u'llah passed away in 1892, outside of Akta, while still nominally a pri-soner. For this reason, the World Centre of the Baha'i Faith is located in Isreal. This World Centre is the seat of the Universal the seat of the Universal House of Justice, a body of nine members elected by Baha'i delegates from all countries having a nation-al Baha'i organization. The Universal House of Justice has expressed hope that their message, "THE PROMISE OF WORLD PEACE," will receive "serious consideration.

'serious consideration, conversation, and action within and without the Baha'i Community.' **Richard Hauck**

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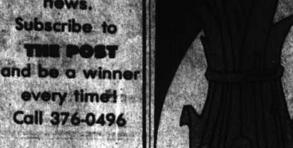
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sane and legitimate patriotism and states that the advantage of the part in a advantage of the part in a world society is best served by promoting the advantage of the whole; 9. It states the banning of nuclear weapons, etc., will not remove the root causes of war as they are too uperficial to exert an en-

its Founder, Baha'u'llah. Baha'is believe that Baha'u'llah is the most recent of God's Messengers -to mankind. A Baha'i is a follower of Baha'u'llah. Baha'u'llah was born in Iran in 1817 to a family of Persian noblemen. He re-jected a life of material comforts and political pres-

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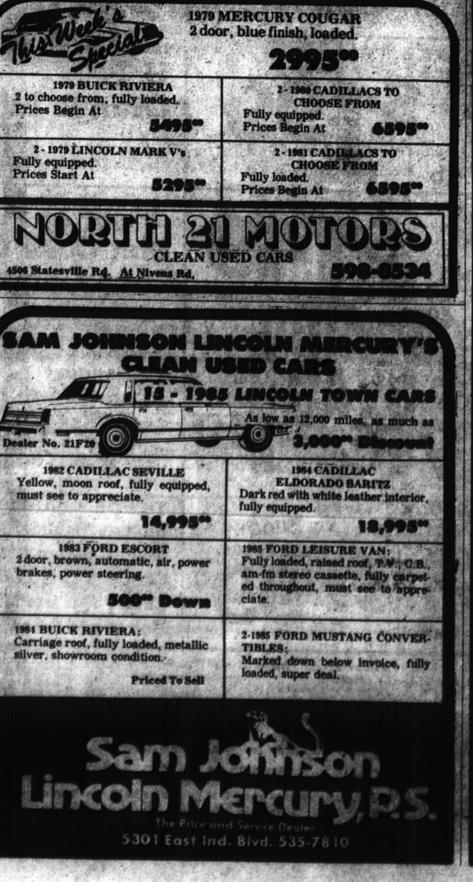
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