

Bahai Followers Give Big Offering

One of the most unusual collections ever taken at a church service in Chicago was participated in Tuesday, May 3, by followers of the Bahai faith when 200 members and delegates attending the 24th annual Bahai convention in Wilmette gave jewelry and money amounting to \$30,000.

The offering resulted from the pleas of Dr. Zia M. Bagdadi of Wilmette and Mrs. Mary Maxwell of Montreal. They explained that unfinished work on the dome required \$30,000.

The response was immediate and some of the listeners took rings from their fingers and placed them on a table. Mrs. Agnes Parsons of Washington, D. C., uncoiled a necklace, valued at several thousand dollars, from her neck. Dr. Bagdadi gave a rare Persian coin, presented to him by Abdul Baha, founder of the Bahaiists.