



'ĀLAM-E NESVĀN

'ĀLAM-E NESVĀN, a magazine founded in Mīzān, 1299 Š./September, 1920, one of the earliest periodicals published by and for women. Started by Nawwāba Ḳānom Ṣafawī, its principal contributors were members of the graduates' association of the American Women's College of Iran; throughout its life two members of the American staff, Mrs. Boyce and Miss Doolittle, were associated with its production. Other participants were Ṭayyeba Mīr Dāmādī, Ašraf Nabawī, and 'Abbās Aryānpūr Kāšānī. The magazine was published bi-monthly in an average size of eighteen pages; avoiding political questions, it concentrated on such matters as health and hygiene, care of children, domestic science, cookery, dress, and fashion. It also published literary articles and poetry by women writers, and news of the progress of women in Iran and other parts of the world. Its general tone accorded with the prevailing drive towards the greater emancipation of women that was characteristic of the years of Reżā Shah's reign. It ceased appearing after its thirteenth year (1312-13 Š./1933-34), by which time a number of other successful women's journals were being published.

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