

In the presence of Shoghi Effendi in Haifa in April 1957. They translated them into German and then when I was in Germany translated them again into English from which I took them down. Agnes B. Alexander.

We cannot affiliate with any party. No program of any party can agree entirely with the Baha'i Principles. New Commonwealth (an English society) is very near the Cause nevertheless the Baha'is should not become members.

The N.S.A. has to decide about joining movements such as Esperanto and the N.S.A. must study their progress and the condition of membership, and after that the N.S.A. must decide.

The Guardian interprets only, not legislates. The U. H. of J. legislates but has no right to interpret. Both must work otherwise the Cause would be paralyzed. It would be impossible for the U.H.of J. and the Guardian not to be in harmony. Both are Divinely guided and therefore could not be not in harmony. Two things must be observed, divine guidance and the separating in their functions. Separation in function without divine guidance would be dangerous. If one principle overlaps another then chaos results. Imagine the importance of divine guidance. The individual believer may get guidance direct from Baha'u'llah. The individual attracts inspiration, but to the U.H.of J. and the Guardian inspiration is given by Baha'u'llah. The individual cannot be sure whether the inspiration is true or not, therefore he has no right to force his ideas on another and especially not to the Administration Institutions, but the Guardian and the U.H.of J. are sure of their inspiration.

We may pray to God but it is better to pray to Baha'u'llah or the Bab. We may also pray to 'Abdu'l-Baha or to the Greatest Holy Leaf, or even ask a friend of ours that they may ask Baha'u'llah to help us. If we pray it is necessary to have the right conception, that is, we should understand their stations.

"The final revelation is God Himself. There can never be a final revelation". Because the world of God and the world of the manifestation can never be mixed. There will be no decline as there has been in other Manifestations, even this is a culmination. The spiritual forces released by Baha'u'llah will be for 500,000 years. His laws are for the coming 1,000 years, then a new Manifestation under the shadow of Baha'u'llah will either take the laws, change them, or abrogate them. Since the beginning of mankind all has developed to this time of maturity when the whole world will be united.

The lesser and greater Prophets are the same in their reality, but not in their station.

If the friends are teaching they should mention that mankind has reached the stage of maturity because this shows the greatness of this revelation.

If anyone wants to retire from the Cause, that the Cause may not suffer through him, then the Assembly might investigate the matter, and if it is not necessary for him to retire, then the Assembly must try to guide him, but if he insists we cannot hold him back.

The Guardian must watch over the decisions of the U.H. of J. He cannot change them but he must be sure that the U.H. of J. is doing the right thing.

The following is from notes taken by Mrs Anna Grossman and Miss Elsa Grossman while (back to top of page)

the Administration is the germ and pattern for the World Order. Not democratically; not autocratically. The N.S.A. is the source for the life of the Baha'i Community of a country.

Each race has faults,- the Jews may even have more faults than others.

In the teachings America is the arm, Germany the brain. The arm is very important because it sometimes lifts very heavy weights and the Americans have already opened many doors.

Germany is now, as the whole world, in the state of evolution and in the future will progress culturally, politically and spiritually.

As the United States of America has opened to the Cause the whole American continent, Germany will become the center of Europe and open in the south the Balkans, the northern countries, Russia and in the west, France to the Cause.

Mr. Benko who died in Sofia was the first German martyr. He was the first German Baha'i to establish the Cause in another country.

Crises are a sign of growth. Each growth develops new crises and enemies. These bring new growth. It can be compared with the human body. Therefore we should now avoid crises, only those due to our own fault. For this reason we should always welcome difficulties. The friends should bring their problems before the N.S.A.

The Shrine lies in the center of Mt. Carmel, and Haifa lies in the center of the world, geographically, spiritually and through the U.H. of J. which will have its permanent center in Haifa, administratively. The tomb of Baha'u'llah is consciously and unconsciously the spiritual power center for the world.

I hope that in Germany there will be Baha'i congresses for Europe, in middle Germany. The Catholics (in Germany) come now because they have suffered.

The Egyptian Courts have proved that the Baha'i is an independent Faith with its own laws, prayers, pilgrimage, etc. and therefore the Baha'is cannot remain Muslims and the same will happen with the Christian churches. The date is not fixed; it depends on our development. (He asked if in Germany there were Baha'is who still belonged to the church.) He, said, it is tradition when they still belong to the church. The friends should avoid always the dead forms but have a living perception..... The friends can visit the churches but not belong to them. The Baha'i Faith is something entirely different from any religion before. It is different from Christianity. Here in Haifa the powerful Christian missions have joined against the Faith. The Master said that all Christian sects would join in enemy against the Faith. The Catholic church will strongly attack the Faith. This then will be the end as it was in the Caliphate and the Sultanate.... (Baha'u'llah was three times banished).

The nations will remain and not be dissolved. They will become a union similar to the United States. The nations will become independent but not unlimited independence.

The Administration is the stronghold for the Faith and the Friends to protect them against the attacks from the enemies from without.

(The Guardian emphasized that the Baha'is should keep the Baha'i Feast. He said this after his question.) Do the friends in Germany still keep Easter, Christmas, etc.?

There is no higher development than Unity. For 500,000 years the name of Baha'u'llah will not disappear. During the 500,000 years there will come many prophets who will again and again change the laws. They also will be attacked but not as fiercely as in the beginning of this cycle... and the worst of all evils, the war will disappear forever.

Since the beginning of this planet there has not been a Universal Manifestation and no universal cycle. All the Manifestations we know and also those of which we do not yet know the names, belong to this cycle. (The Revelation of Adam may have been 6,000 years ago.)

Muhammed Ali was really chosen as the successor of 'Abdu'l-Baha, and if he had not opposed Him, he would have become after the Master's death His successor, and after Him the male line of his family. (In book of the Covenant.) 'Abdu'l-Baha once asked him why he opposed Him. He said because he didn't know whether he would survive Him.

Gabriel in the Quran means the Holy Spirit and in the teachings he is the creative spirit. the rays of the sun, the union between the Manifestation and God.

The individuality continues in the next life.

The Baha'is should be grateful to the British government for their services rendered the Cause. The British government recognizes the Baha'i religion as an independent religion. The Baha'i marriage certificate is officially recognized.

The principle of moderation is everywhere in the teachings and even in the religion.

The Quran should be valued higher than the Bible because it is divinely inspired. The Bible contains many historical parts and even the gospels are not authentic and do not accord with each other. The Quran requires monogamy.

The N.S.A. is the Trustee. The Community owns the Baha'i property but the authority is the Trustee.

It was possible for the British government to free the Baha'i property from taxation because they assured them that they would not sell, let or build on it.

The Jewish race will be changed because it is in the center of the Cause.

World Order is identified with the Kingdom of God.

Queen Marie recognized Baha'u'llah as the Father. She and her daughter Ilesna ordered in a Bookshop in England all available Baha'i literature.

Peace depends on unity and unity on this Revelation, therefore the Administration is the pattern for the World Order.

The lesser peace will be established by the nations. The Baha'i nations will then establish the Most Great Peace.

The Guardianship will last until the new Manifestation, that is a thousand years. There are three leading National Houses today; America, for the Americans; Germany, for Europe; and Persia for the East.

The Baha'is cannot be free Masons. The principle of secrecy cannot be united with the Baha'i principles.

The "Seven Valleys" revealed the mystical aspect of the Cause and the "Book of Laws", the aspect of law.

The soul of man has a beginning but no ending. Creation has no beginning and no end. The Larger ~~Government~~ Covenant God made with the Manifestations. The Lesser Covenant Baha'u'llah established with mankind.

One can declare oneself as a Baha'i without considering age, but cannot vote.

All prophets have been tried. (Gl. page 12)
The mysterious power first creates differences and later on unity. The Temple is the symbol of Baha'i civilization. The administration is like an infant at present. The U/h. of J. will perfect the administration. Every idea must be incarnated in an institution, otherwise it would not produce its full effect.

No Manifestation before Baha'u'llah and the Bab said, "I am God". Spiritually dead means not condemned. Virtue and recognition of the Manifestation is expected of every man and woman in this world. Baha'u'llah has proclaimed His Mission before all in the world.

The "ark of Noah" is the administration Order. The great flood is symbolic.

This is the final revelation for this planet. We cannot think of anything greater than the unity of the planet. The Master said the cosmos is infinite, the world of being is infinite, always greater combinations. Every new combination needs a new revelation, so revelation cannot be final.

The coming of the Father means the culmination of a cycle, not a final revelation, not that God has become flesh.

The Cause will deal with the governments and shake them and then absorb them.

Sadrst'ulmontsha. It is a symbol, a tree to direct one in the desert and beyond that tree there is nothing. It symbolizes the Manifestation who shows us the way and the last point beyond which is nothing.

Baha'i property in Palestine is valued at \$1,000,000.

The Guardian said we should not tell the new believers immediately that they must leave the church. They should reach such a spiritual station, such a love to Baha'u'llah that they will of themselves wish to leave the church.

The Guardian said that the Japanese nation was the only one of the east that has not taken the bad side of Western civilization.