

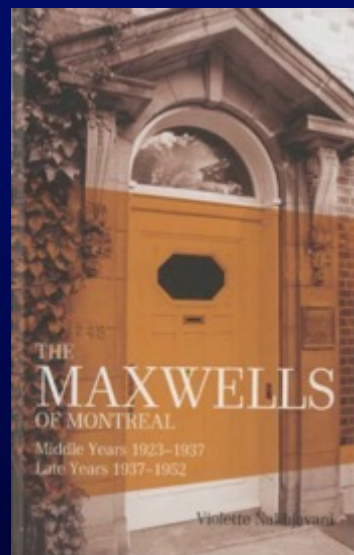
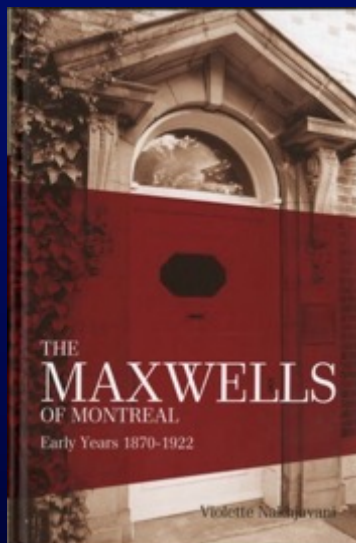
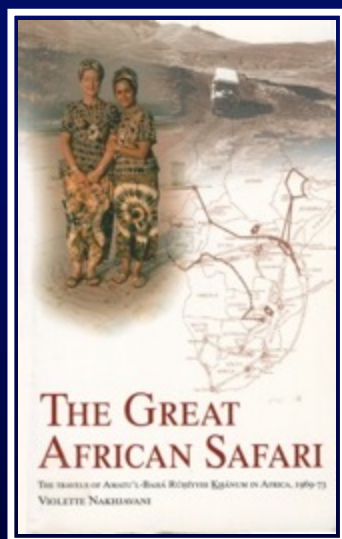
Amatu'l Bahā
Rūḥūyyih Khānum

Some Sources Consulted for this Presentation



**Five Books
by Mrs.
Violette
Nakhjavani**

**(shown with Mr. 'Ali
Nakhjavani, her
husband).**



The Baha'i Heritage Project



<http://heritage.bahai.us/about/>



'Abdu'l-Bahá (1844-1921)



Shoghi Effendi Rabbani (1897-1957)



May Maxwell (1870-1940)

**William Sutherland Maxwell
(1874-1952)**



Mary Maxwell (1910-2000)

'Amatu'l-Bahá Rúhíyyih

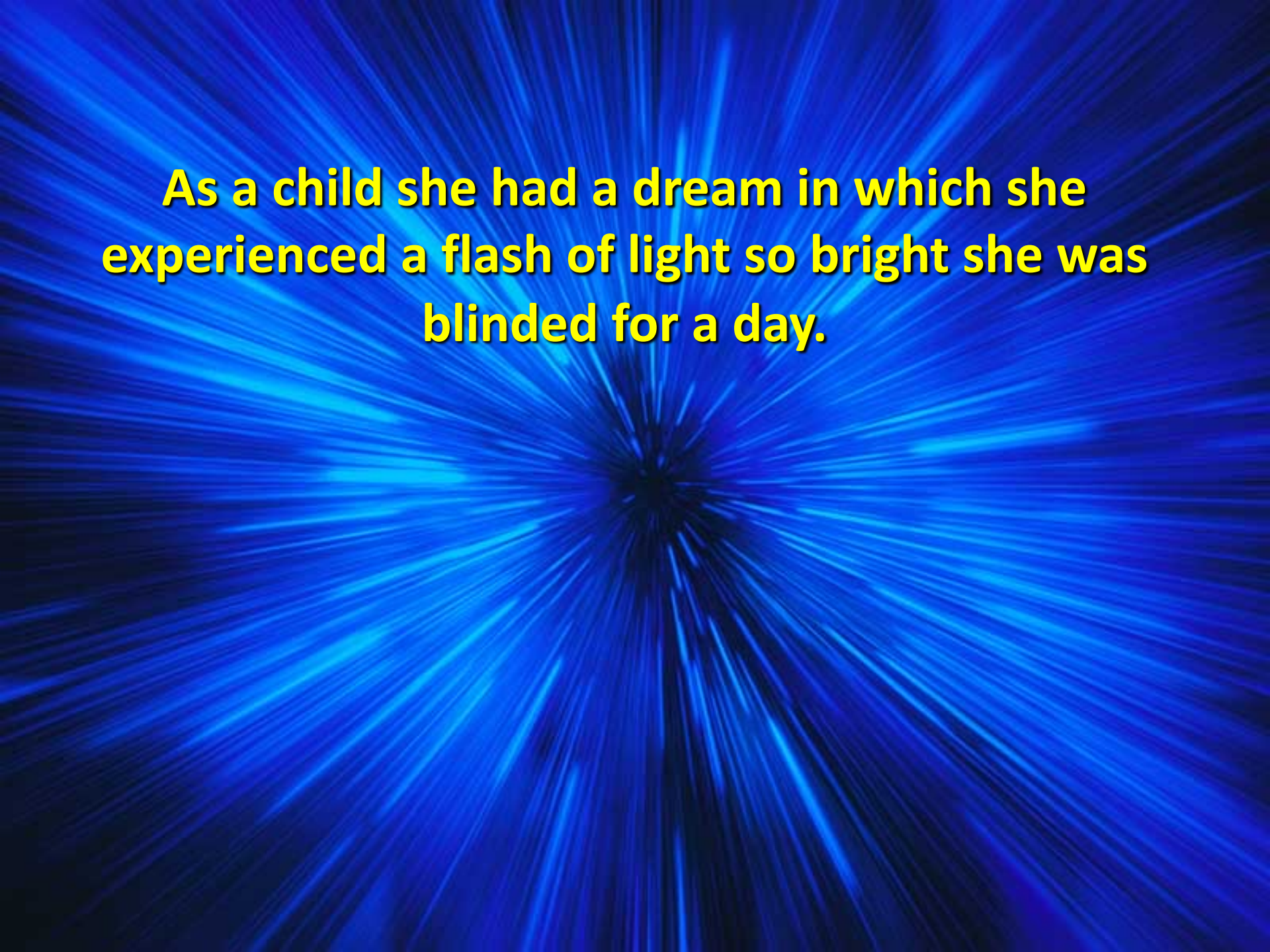
Khánum

A black and white portrait of a woman, May Ellis Bolles (Maxwell), from 1870-1940. She is wearing a light-colored, lace-trimmed hood or veil that covers her head and shoulders. Her hair is dark and styled in a bun. She has a neutral expression and is looking directly at the camera. The background is solid black.

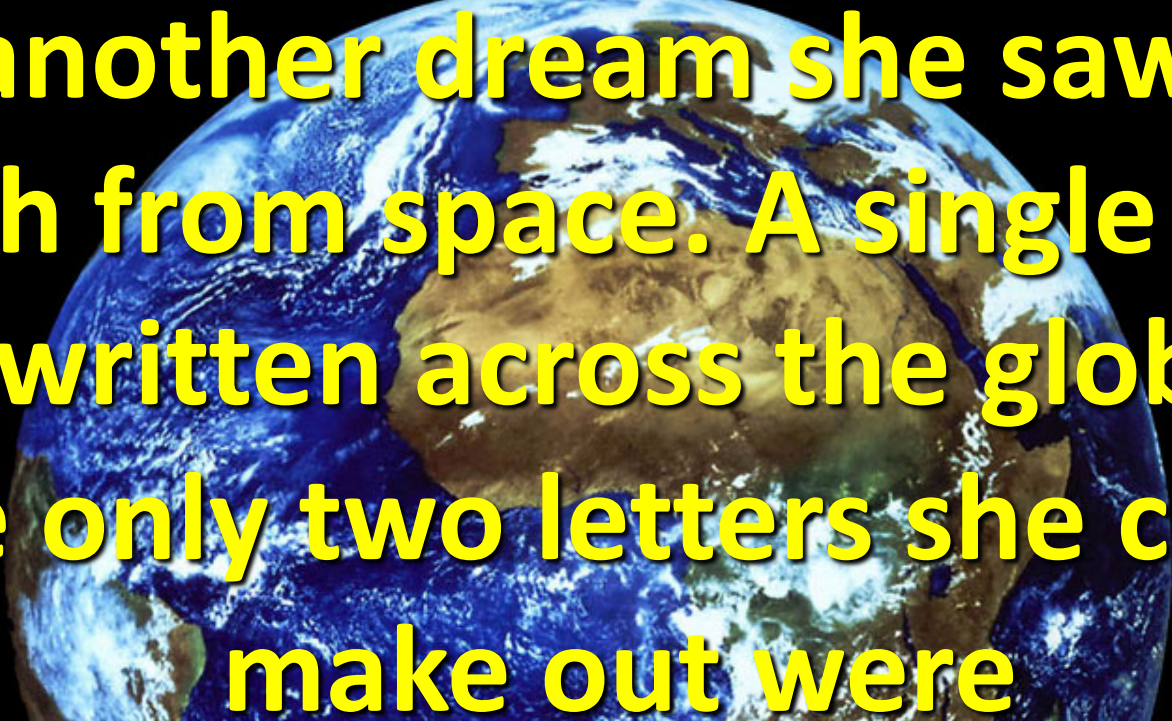
May Ellis Bolles (Maxwell) 1870-1940)

A portrait of a young woman with reddish-brown hair, wearing a white lace hood and a high-collared dress with a blue and yellow brooch. The background is black.

May Ellis Bolles (Maxwell) 1870-1940)




As a child she had a dream in which she experienced a flash of light so bright she was blinded for a day.



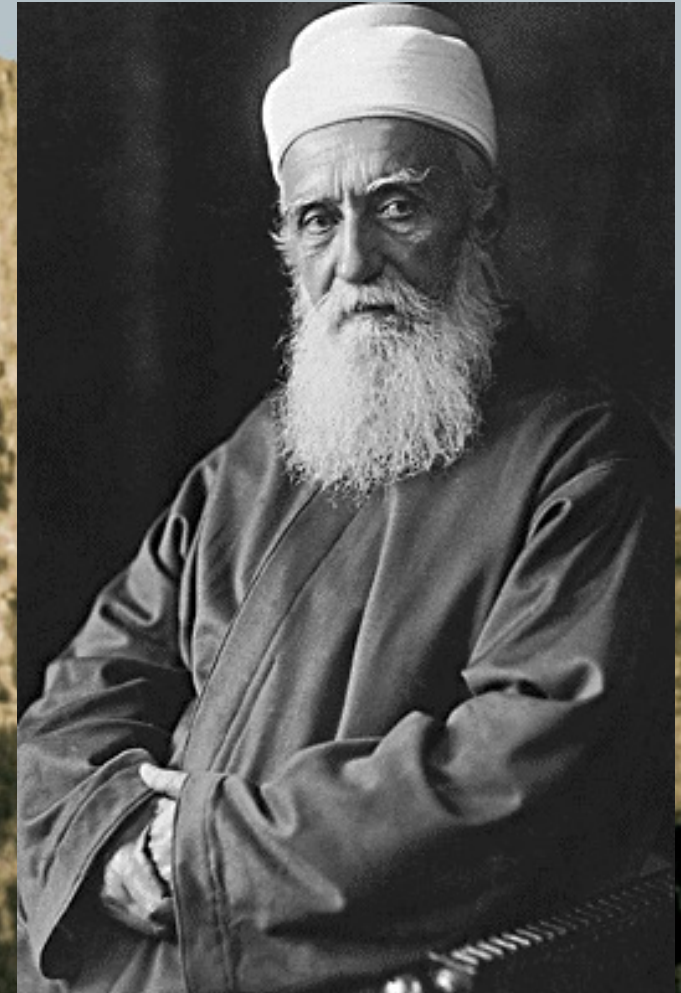
In another dream she saw the earth from space. A single word was written across the globe but the only two letters she could make out were

“B” and “H”



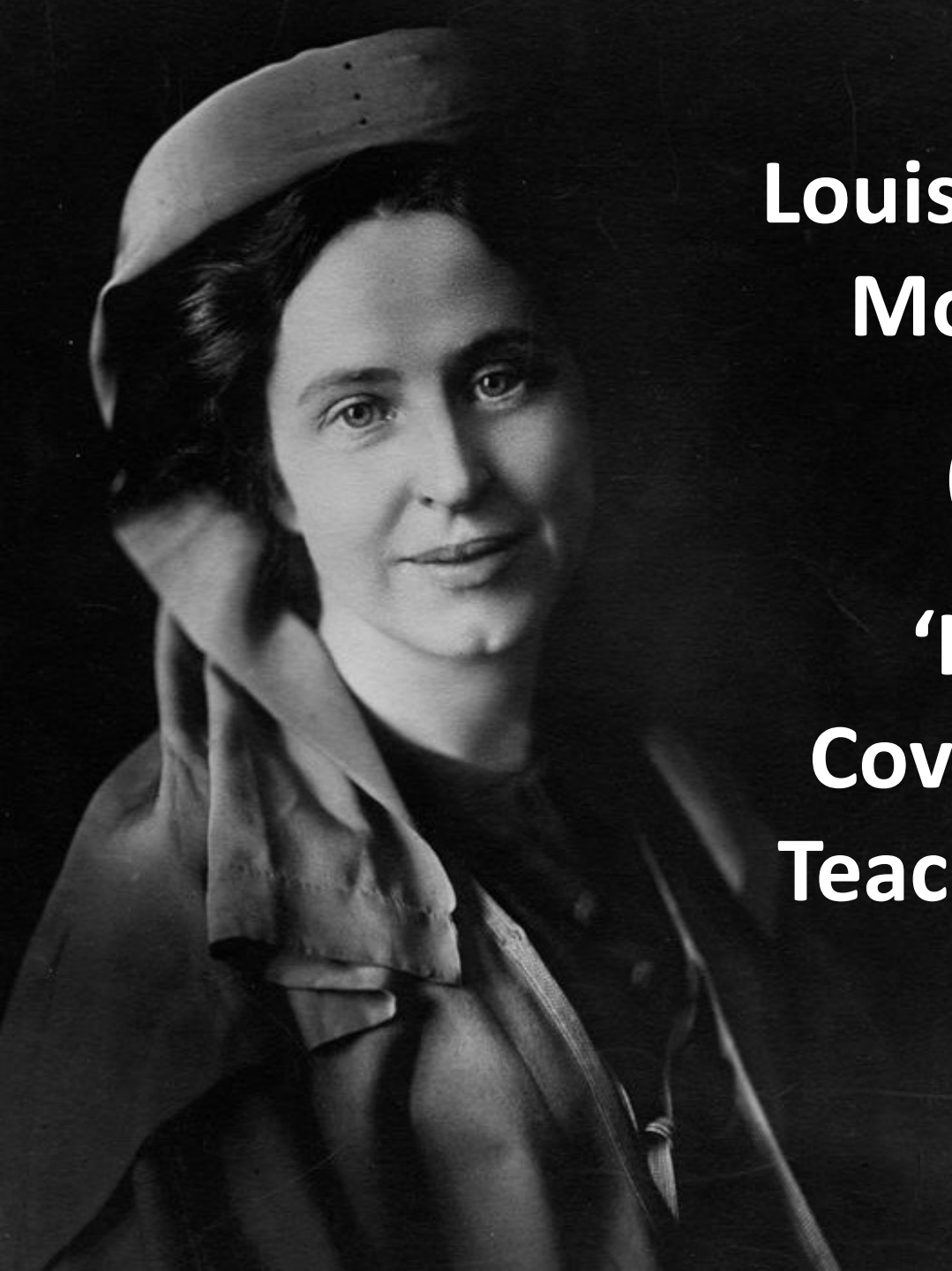
May also experienced a vision in which a Man in eastern garb beckoned to to her from across the Mediterranean Sea.

When May reached Akka and met 'Abdu'l-Bahá she was amazed to discover He was the same Man she had seen in her vision years before.





**Edward & Lua
Getsinger were
among the the
earliest Bahá'ís
of North
America.**



**Louisa ("Lua") Aurora
Moore Getsinger**

(1871-1916)

**'Herald of the
Covenant' 'Mother
Teacher of the West'**

**Phoebe Hearst
(1842-1919)**

**Financed the
First Western
Pilgrimage of
1898-1899**





**First Western Pilgrims
(Mrs. Hearst not in this photo.)**



PARIS
November
1898

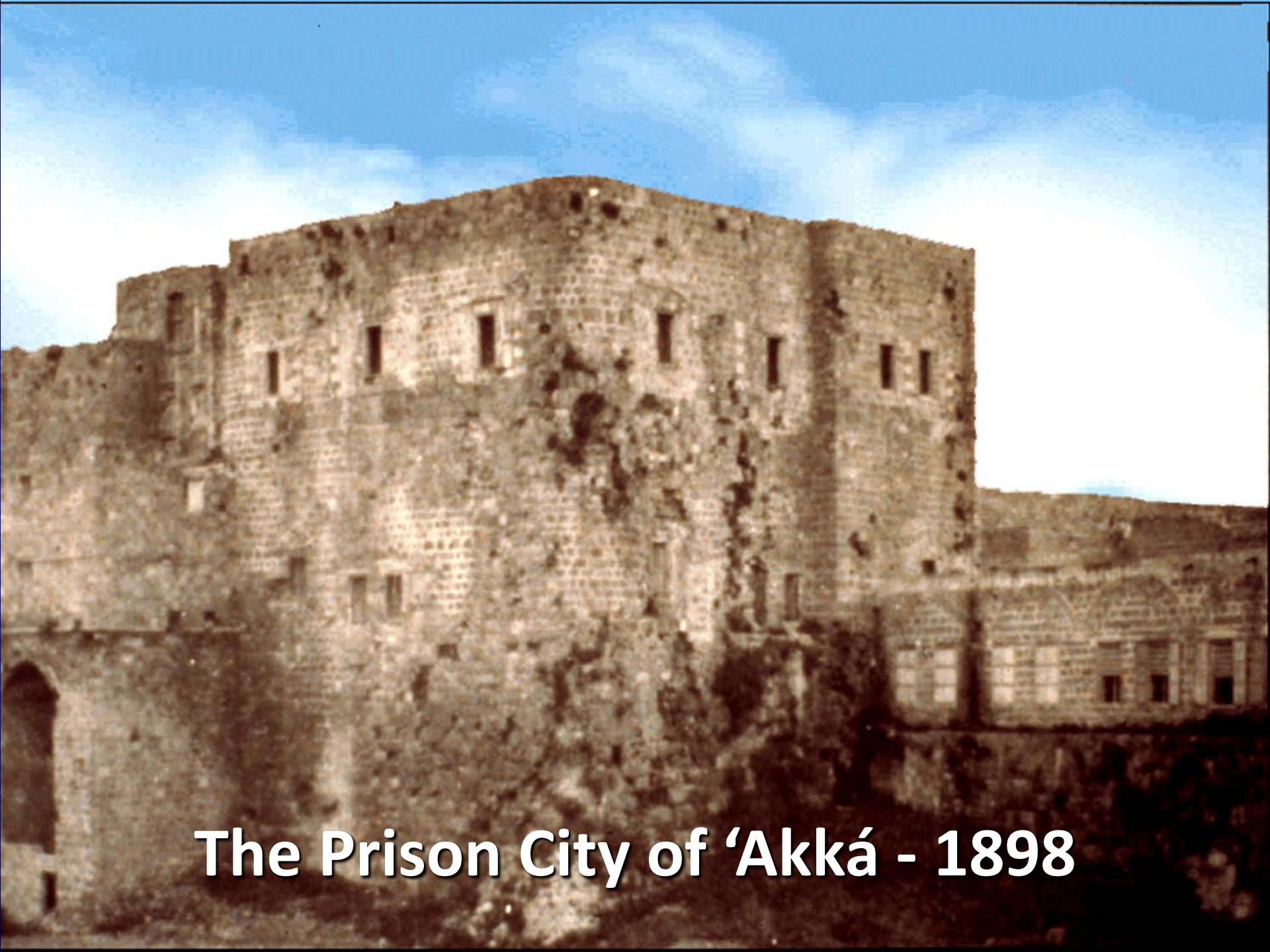


**May Bolles was ill
at that time.**





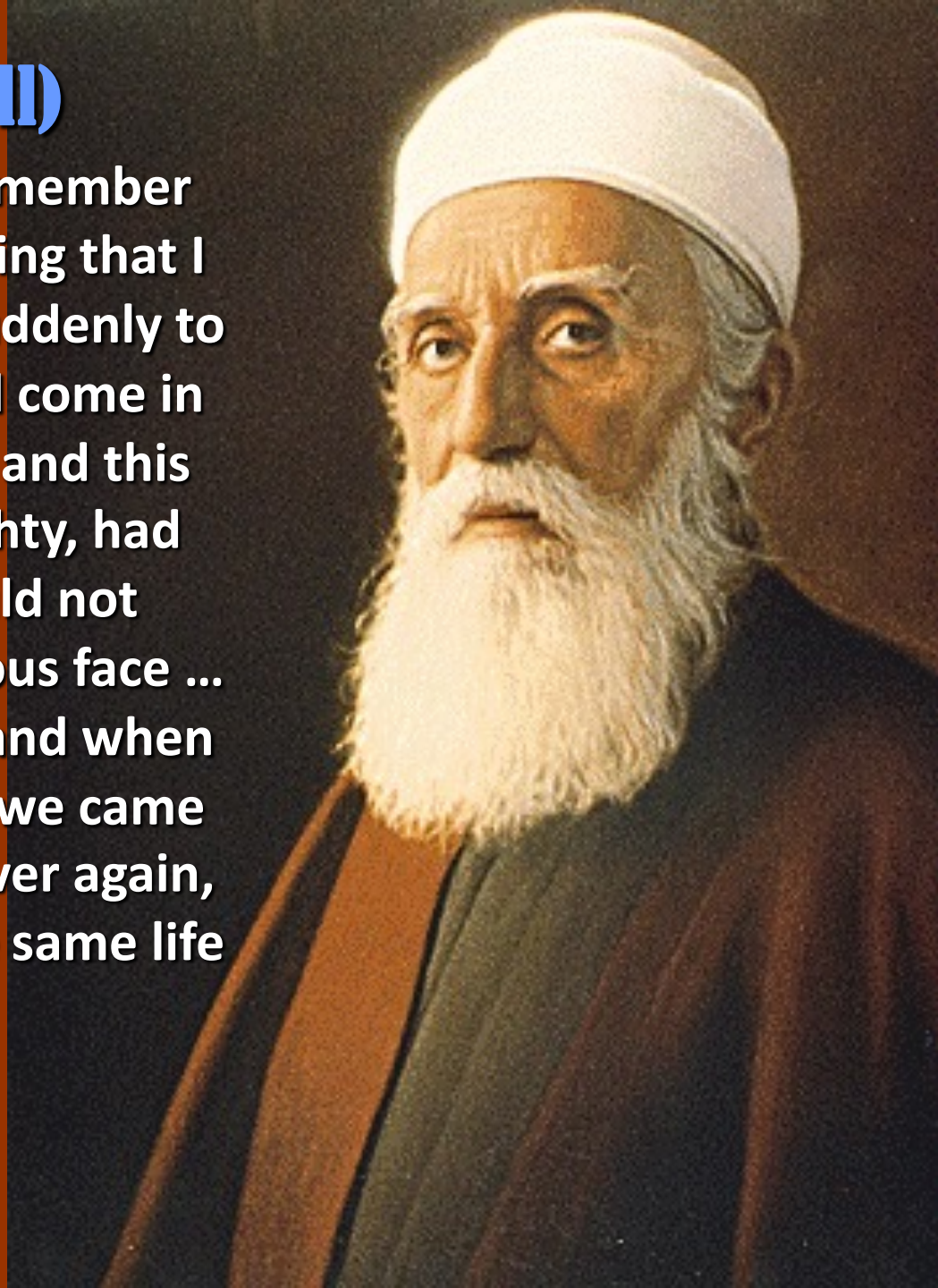
Lua Getsinger

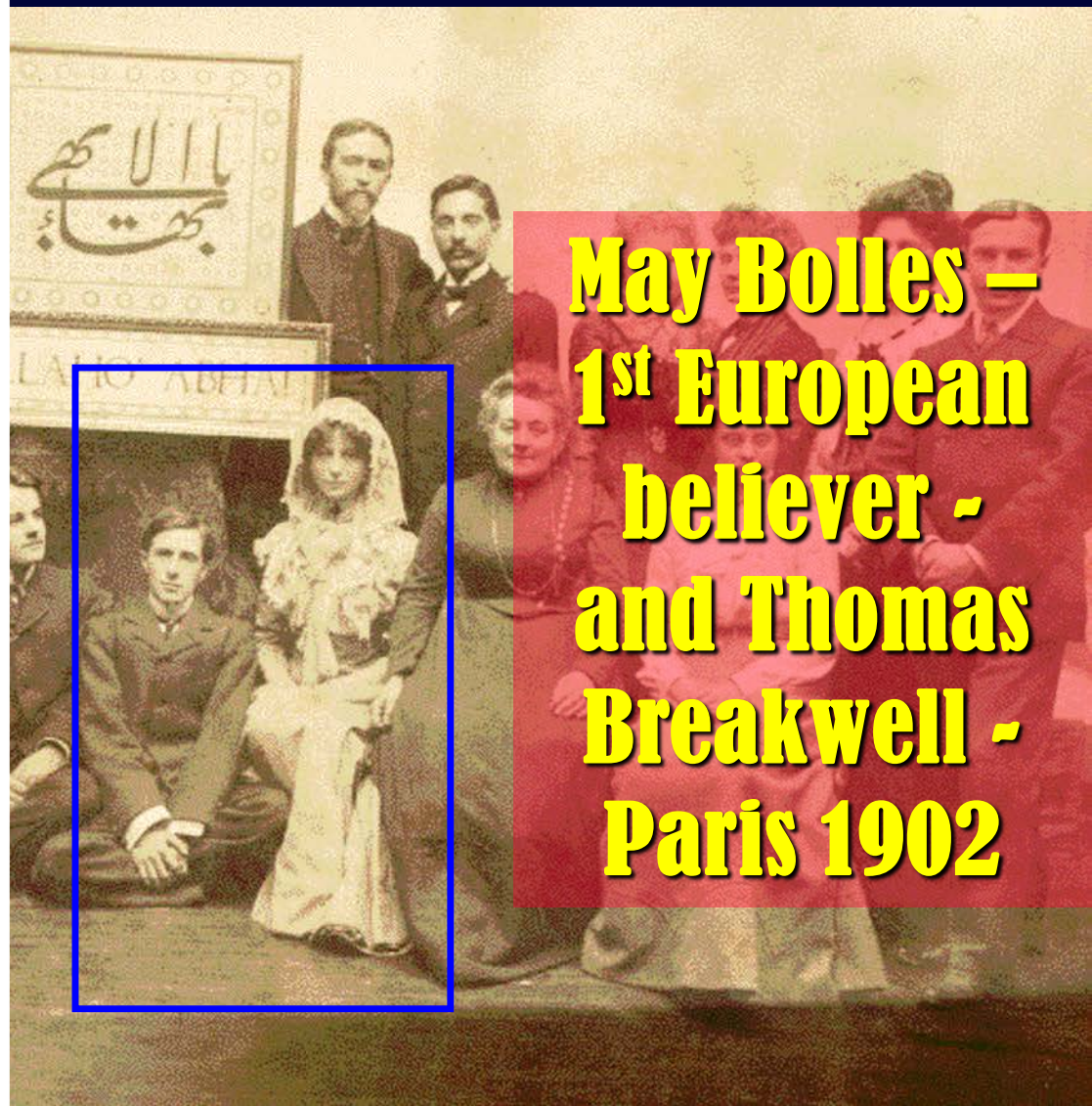
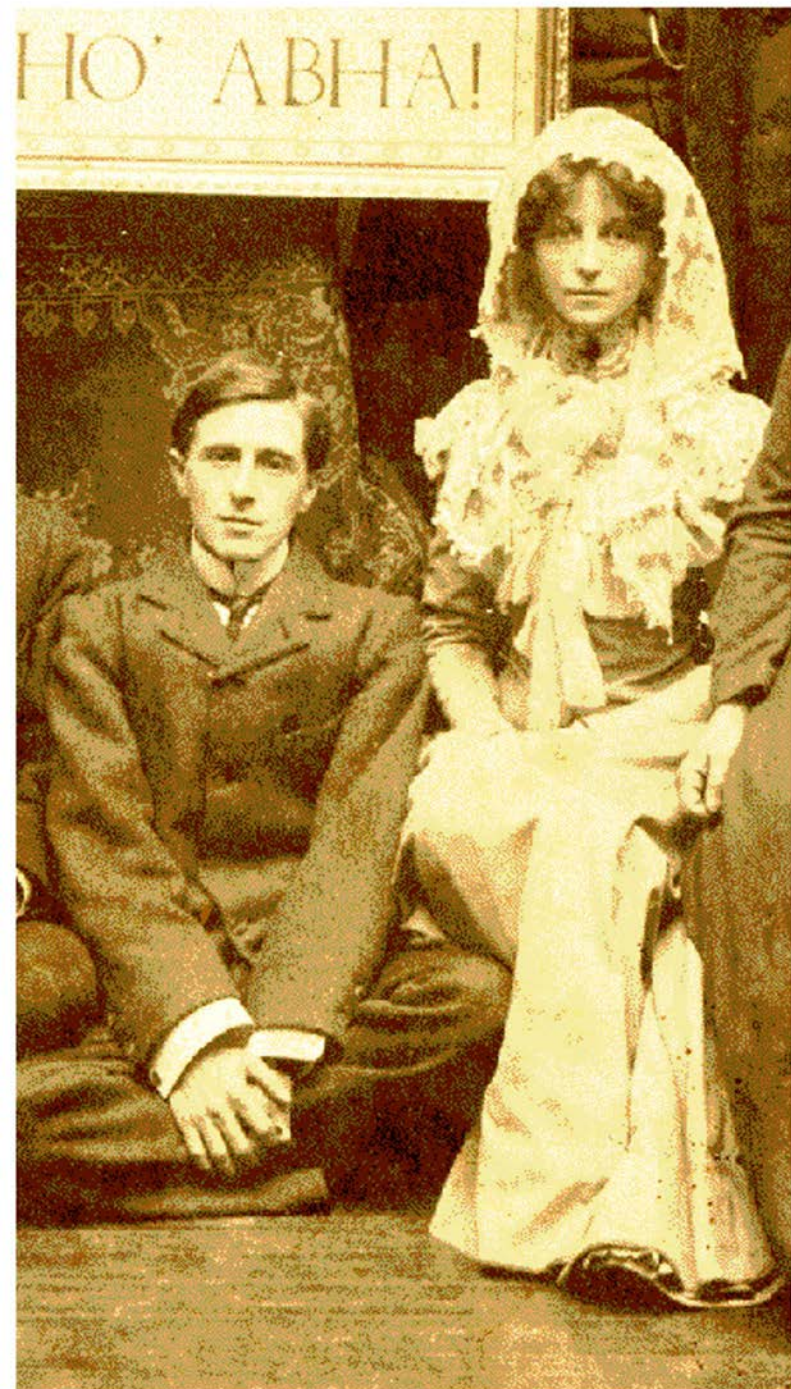


The Prison City of 'Akká - 1898

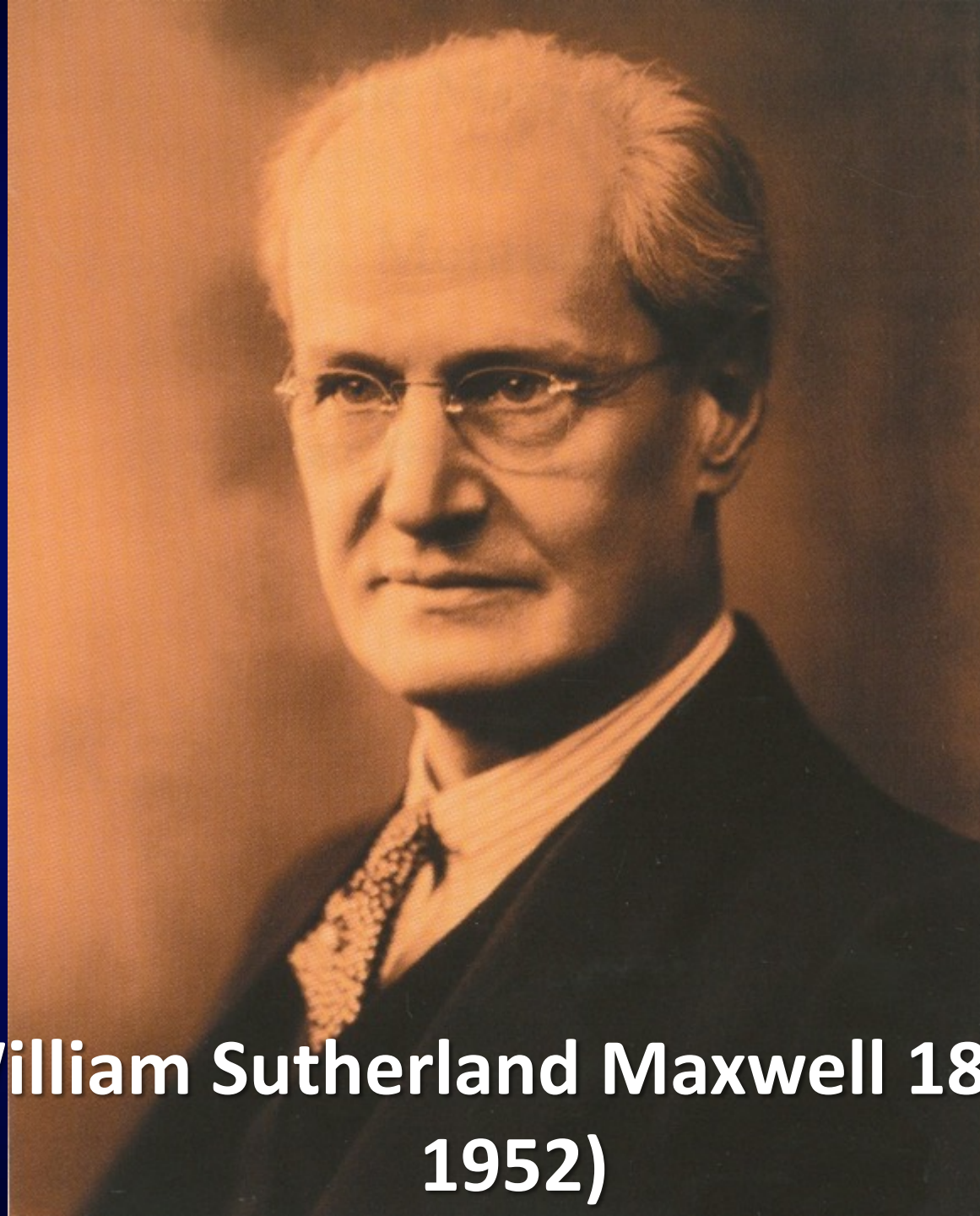
May Bolles (Maxwell)

"Of that first meeting, I can remember neither joy nor pain, nor anything that I can name. I had been carried suddenly to too great a height, my soul had come in contact with the Divine Spirit, and this force, so pure, so holy, so mighty, had overwhelmed me ... We could not remove our eyes from His glorious face ... existence seemed suspended; and when He arose and suddenly left us, we came back with a start to life; but never again, oh! never again, thank God, the same life on this earth."



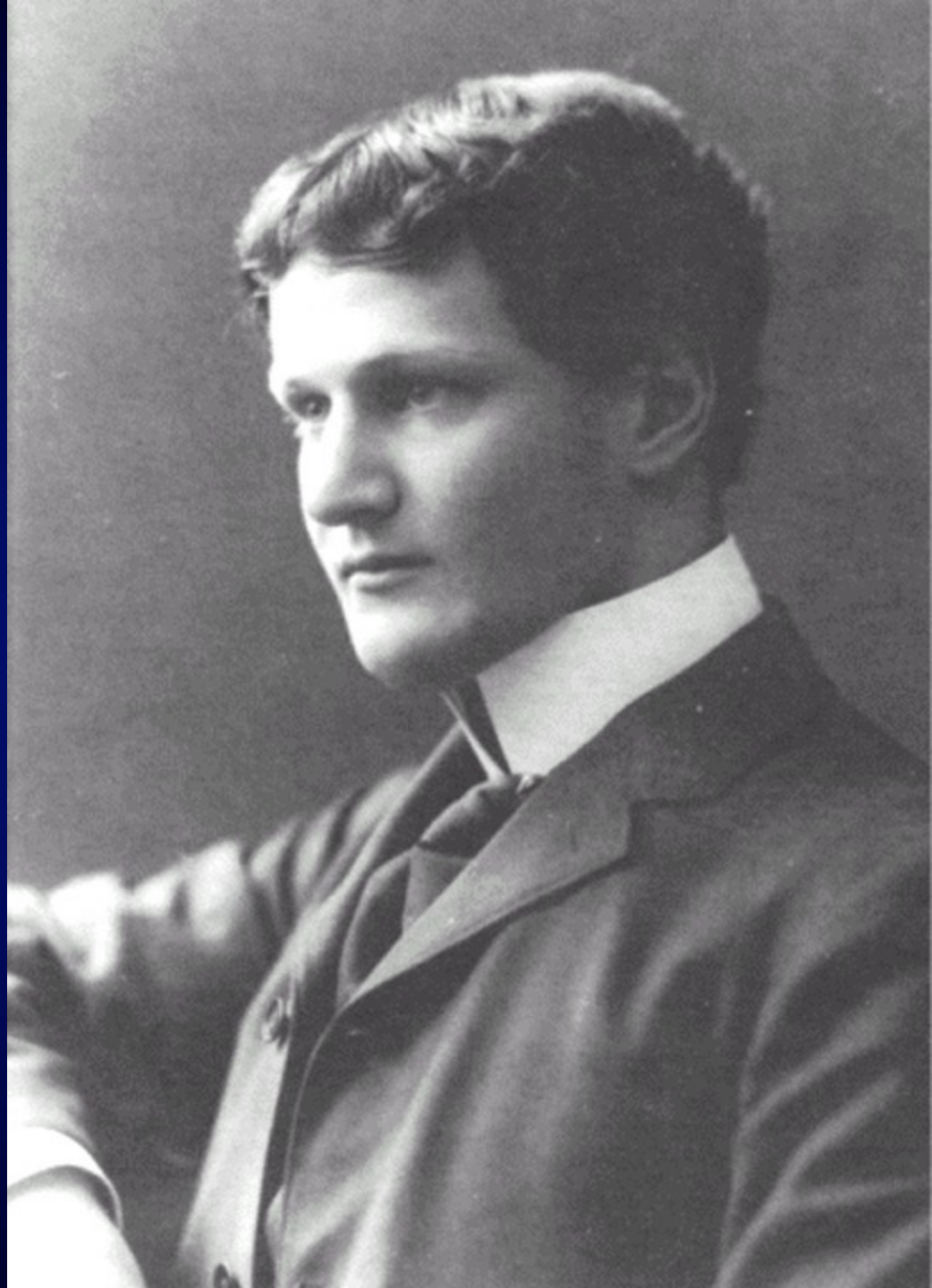


**May Bolles –
1st European
believer -
and Thomas
Breakwell -
Paris 1902**



**William Sutherland Maxwell 1874-
1952)**

**William
Sutherland
Maxwell as a
young man**





**William
Sutherland
Maxwell & his
bride May Bolles**

1902



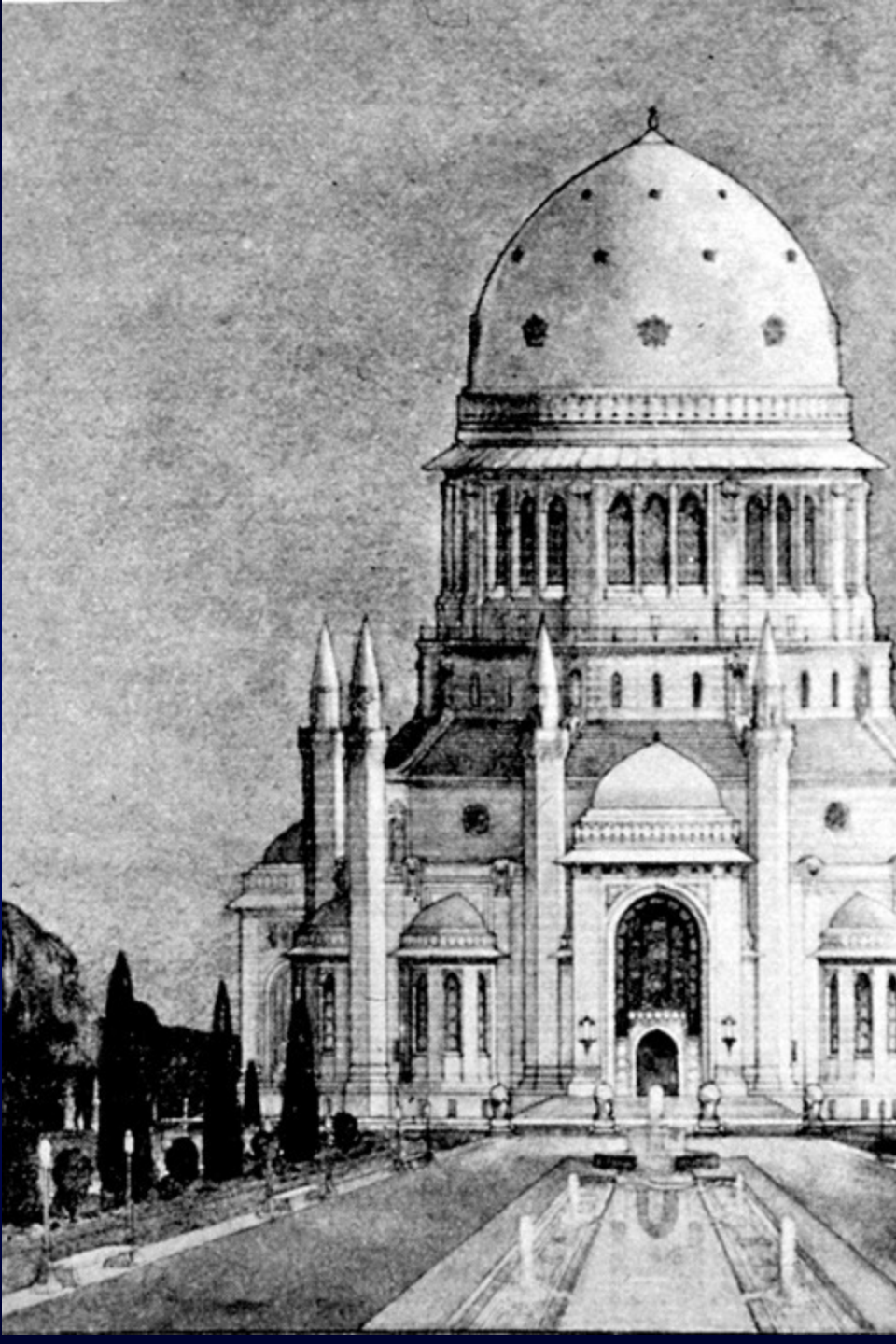
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Royal Victoria Hotel - Montreal



Wings of Hotel Chateau Frontenac designed by WSM and his brother.



**William Maxwell's
Design for the
Wilmette House of
Worship. There
were 15 designs
submitted and
displayed at the
1920 National
Convention.**

The Dawning Place, p.88.

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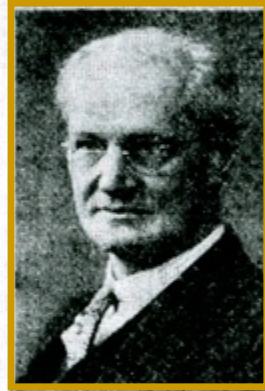
TORONTO, CANADA, TUESDAY, APRIL 25, 1939

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MONTREAL ARCHITECTS HONORED BY P.Q.A.A.



LOUIS A. AMOS



W. S. MAXWELL



PERCY E. NOBBS

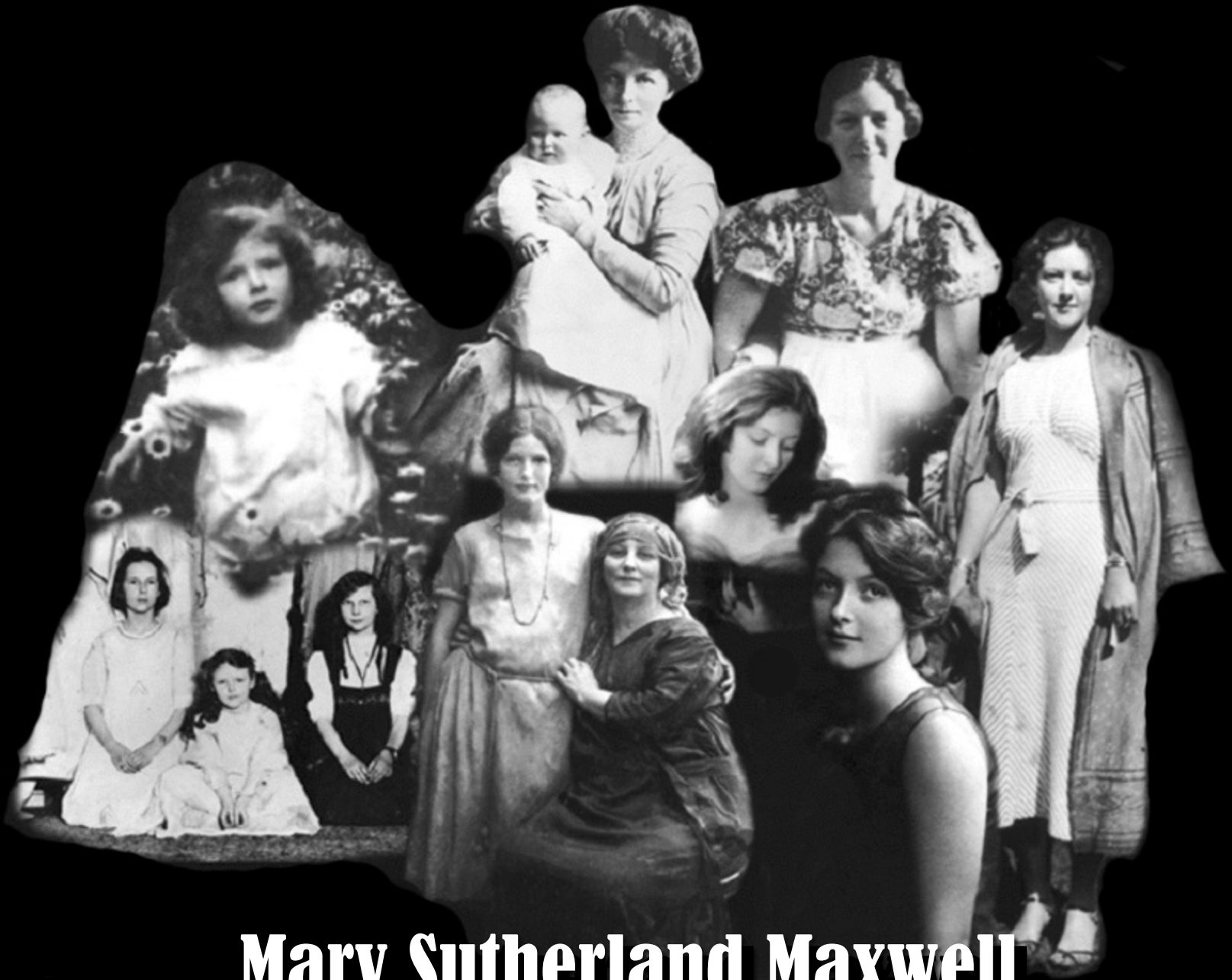
With Professors Ramsay Traquair and Jules Poissvert, the above Montreal architects were honored for their outstanding contributions to the profession, with the presentation of bronze medals of the Province of Quebec Association of Architects at the Association's annual banquet last evening at the Cercle Universitaire, Montreal. An account of the proceedings will be published in these columns tomorrow.

**William Sutherland Maxwell honored
for his architectural work in 1939.**

PART I

The Early Years

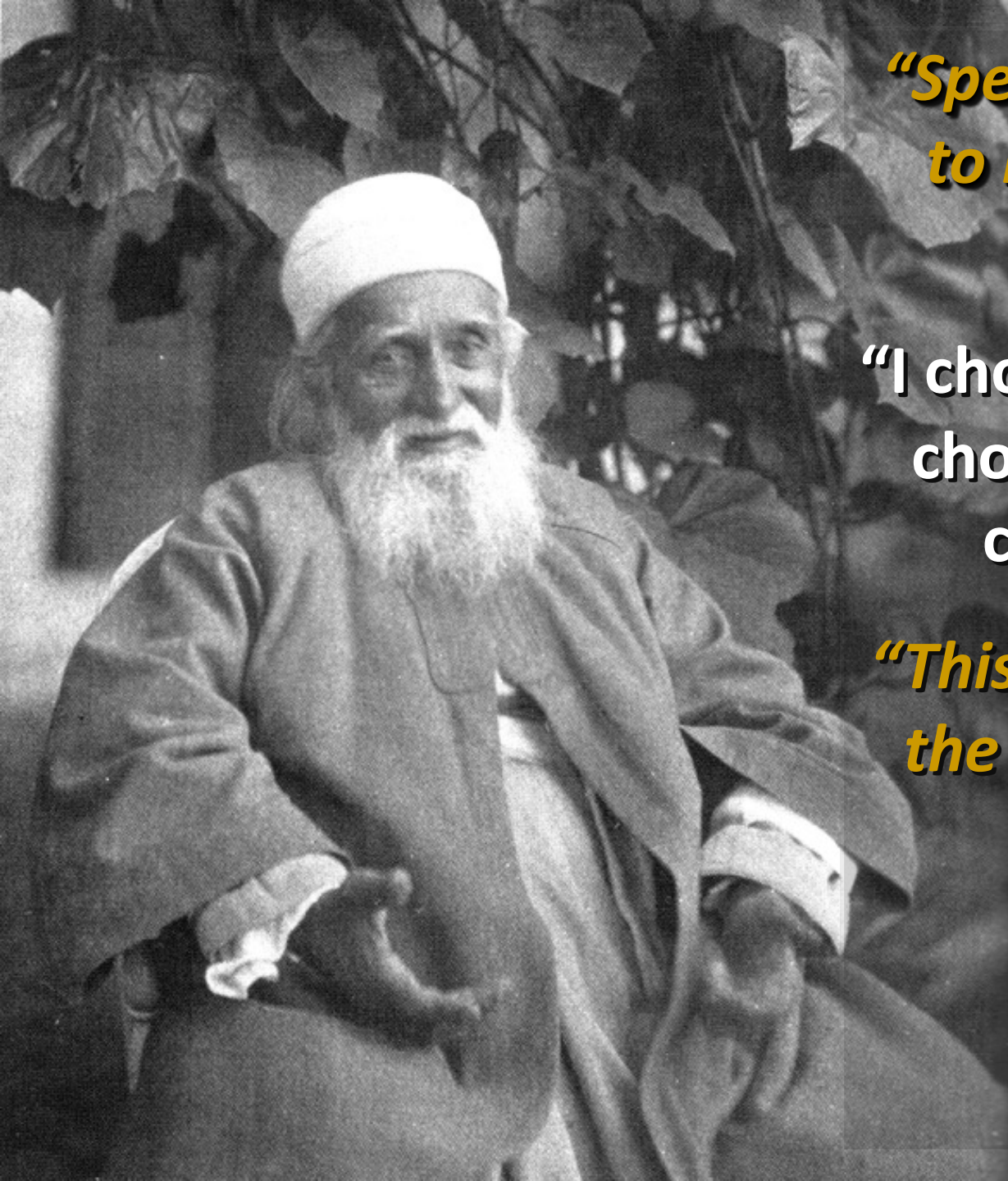
1910-1937



Mary Sutherland Maxwell



William & May went on pilgrimage in 1909



***“Speak, do you choose
to have a child, you
may choose!”***

**“I choose whatever God
chooses — I have no
choice but His.”**

***“This is the best choice,
the Will of God is the
best choice.”***

My dear Agnes, "I am going to confide to a secret. Our dear Lord has favored His maidservant past all her hope ... In a few months Inshallah, the babe He is sending to my husband and me will be born ...

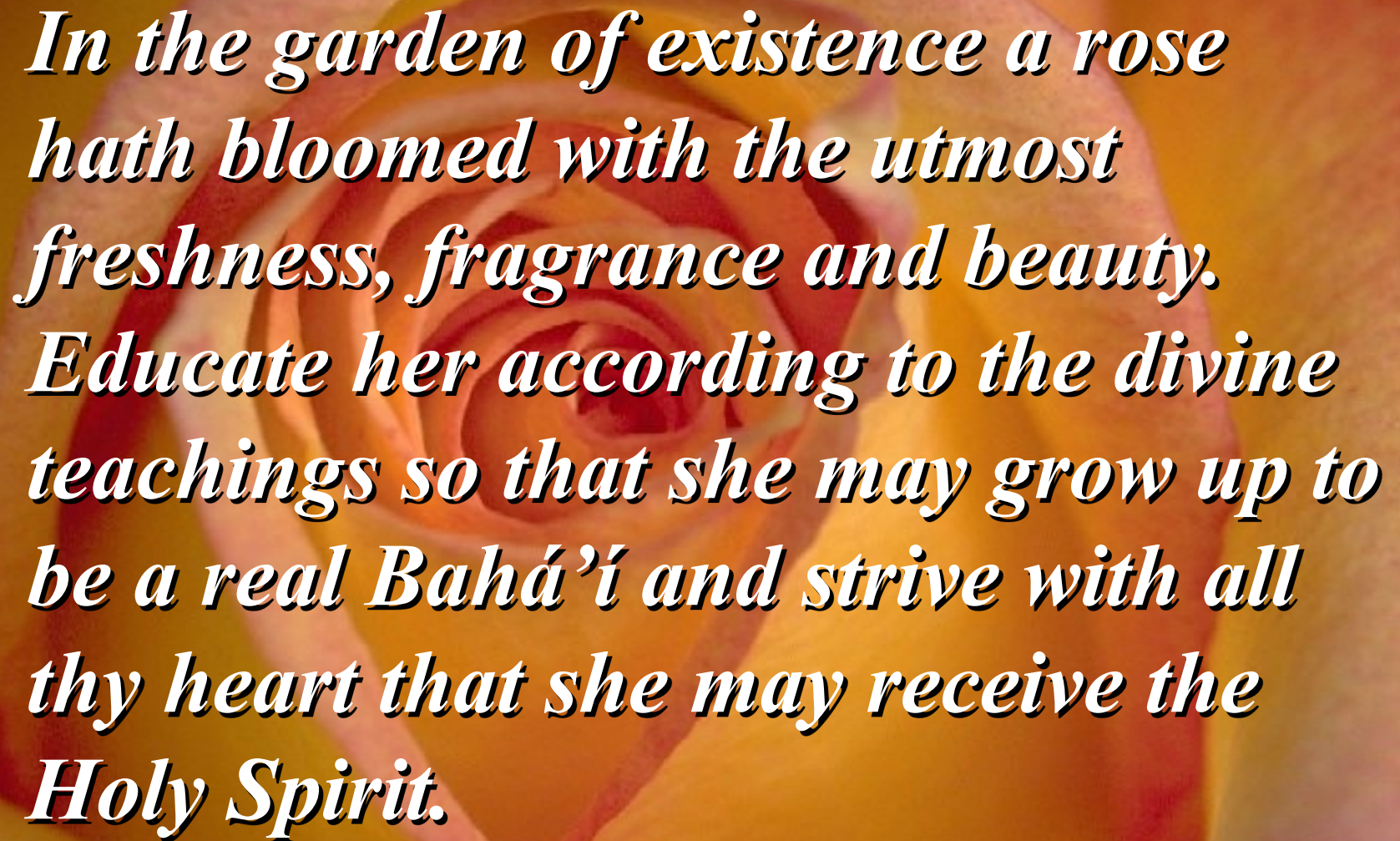
Agnes Alexander

*Three - Four
HONOLULU*

**Mary Sutherland
Maxwell**

**Born August 8,
1910 in New
York City**



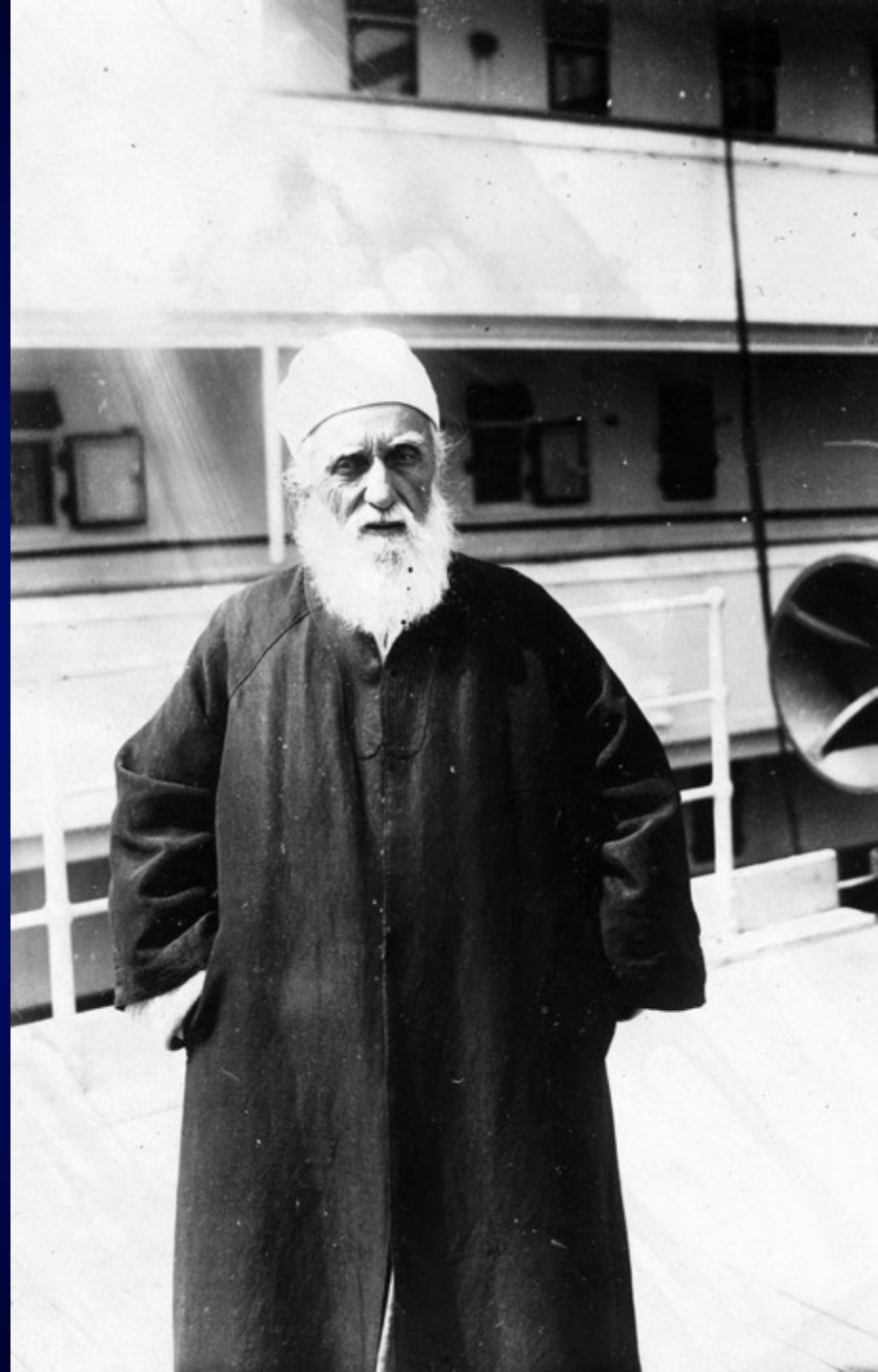


*In the garden of existence a rose
hath bloomed with the utmost
freshness, fragrance and beauty.
Educate her according to the divine
teachings so that she may grow up to
be a real Bahá'í and strive with all
thy heart that she may receive the
Holy Spirit.*

— 'Abdu'l-Bahá

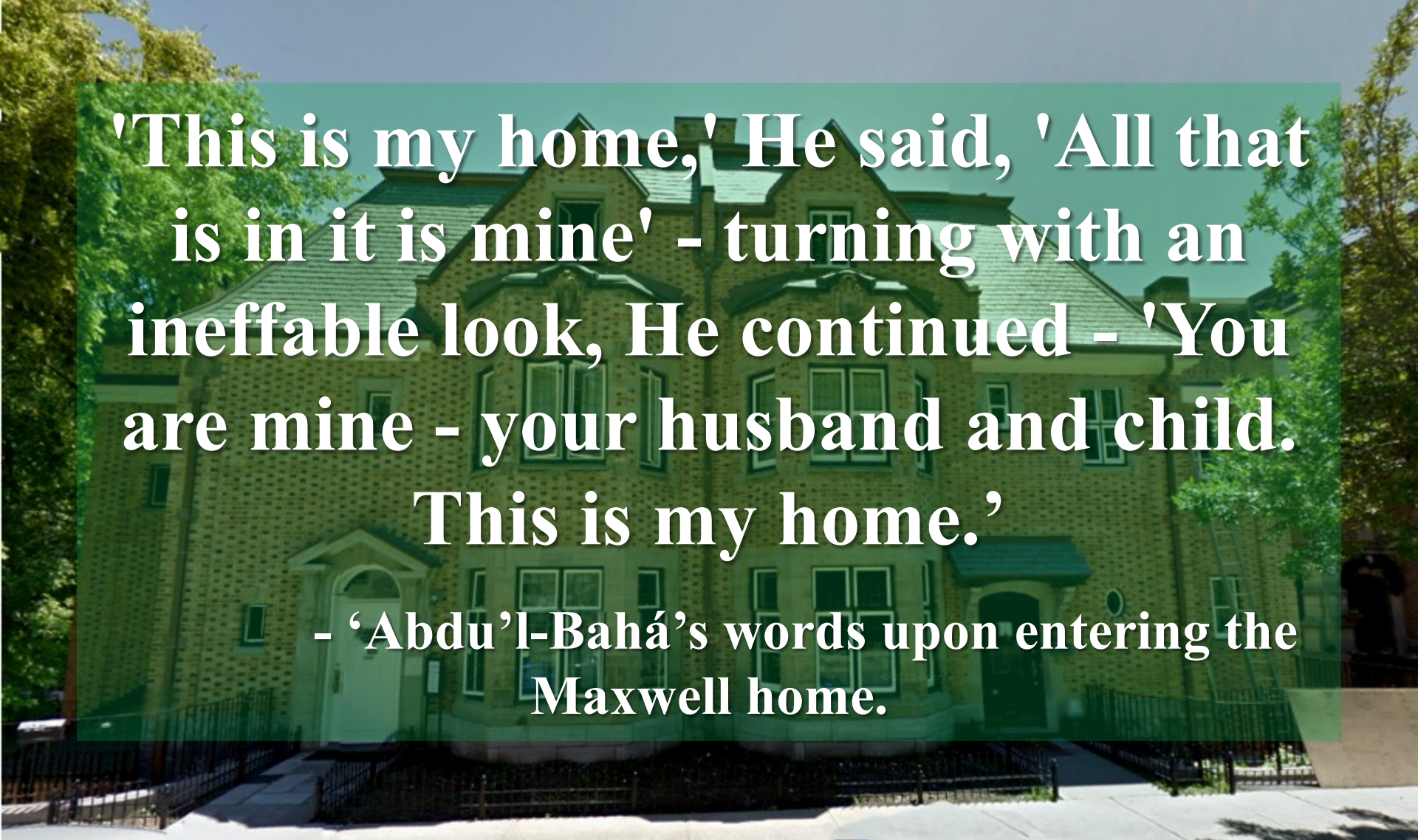
'Abdu'l-Bahá's North American Tour 1912

April - December



**‘Abdu’l-Bahá arrives at
Montreal Railway
Station August 30, 1912**





'This is my home,' He said, 'All that is in it is mine' - turning with an ineffable look, He continued - 'You are mine - your husband and child. This is my home.'

- 'Abdu'l-Bahá's words upon entering the Maxwell home.

'Abdu'l-Bahá spent three nights, four days at the Maxwell Home.



**“Wake up ,
‘Abdu’l-Bahá!”**



2 year old Mary

Some Scenes of Montreal, Canada where Mary Maxwell grew up





**The St
Lawrence
seaway
dominates
the setting
of the city**



Age 4

**All dressed
up.**

May Maxwell

“This picture reveals almost all of Mary. If we were so developed that we could see the inner things as well as the outer we would know all about Mary by studying this picture. Here she is in her own world—the kingdom of Nature which she so loves ...

Age 5

**Bursting through a
bed of daisies**





1919

**Unveiling
the *Tablets*
of the *Divine*
*Plan***

**MCALPIN HOTEL
NEW YORK CITY**



**Young Mary Age
8**

CANADA

• Montreal

35 MI / 56 KM



New York

Vermont

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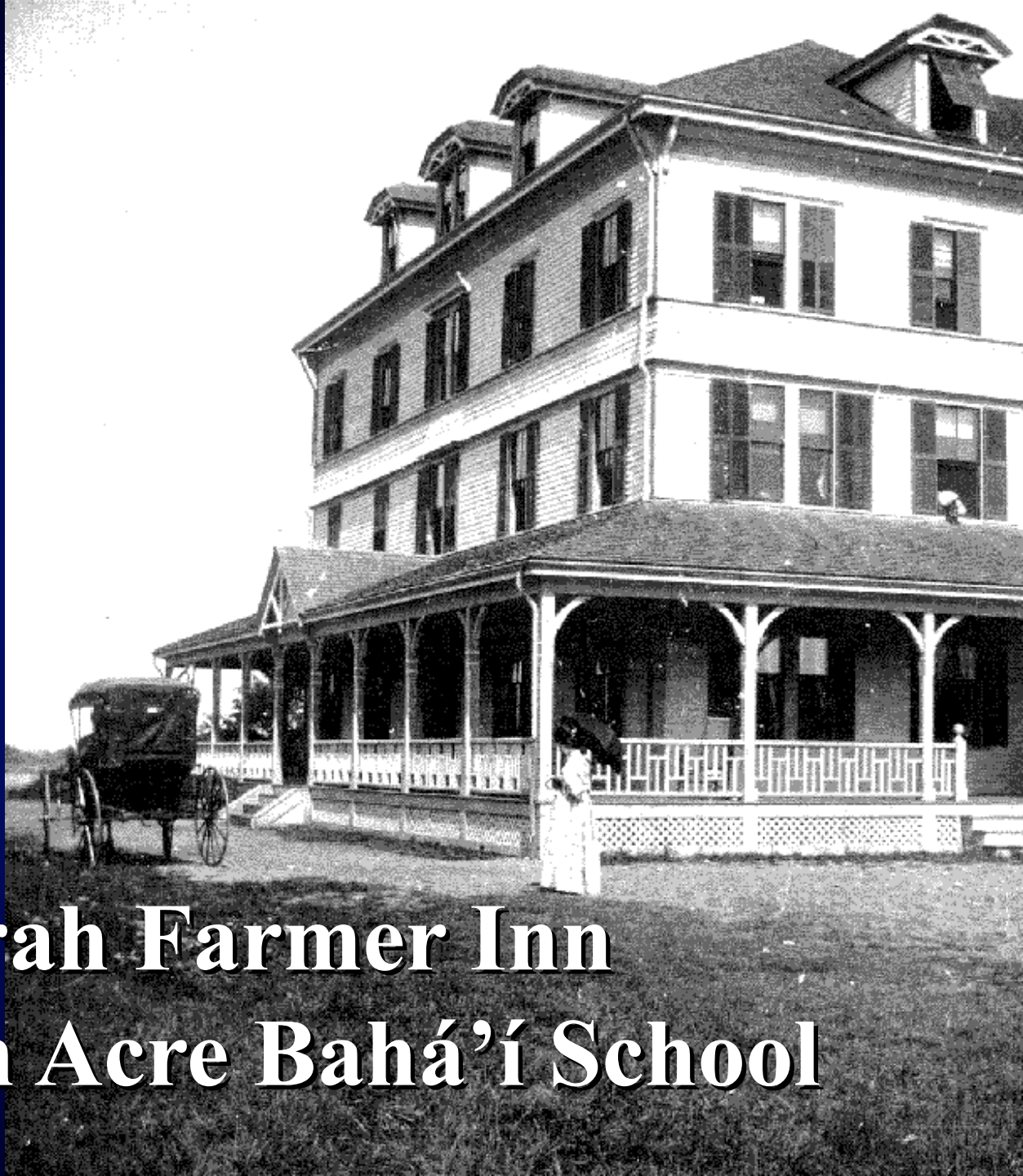


Montreal

215 MI / 347 KM

Green Acre

Eliot, Maine



**Sarah Farmer Inn
at Green Acre Bahá'í School**



**Young Mary
associated
with the
leading
Bahá'ís of
the West
from her
earliest days**

Martha Root

**Juliet
Thompson**

May Maxwell





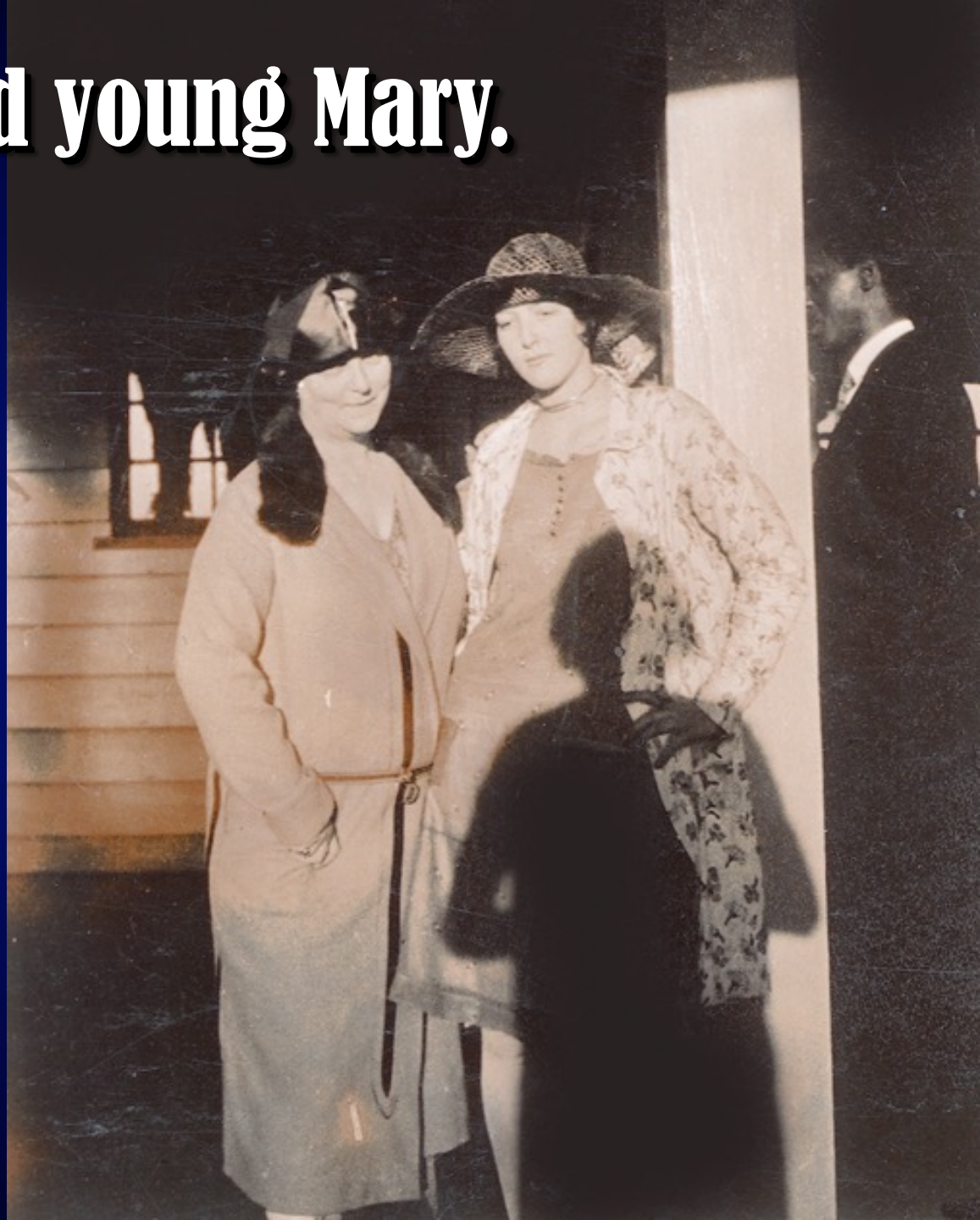
**Marion
“General” Jack
who the
Guardian later
said was an
“example” to
future pioneers.**



**Young Mary
plays an
angel in a
Green Acre
play.**

(Type casting?)

May and young Mary.





1923

1st Pilgrimage

**Photo Taken in
Egypt**



**Age 12, riding
'Petty' in front of
the Western
Pilgrim House,
Haifa. 1923.**

Mary Maxwell, age 12, riding 'Petty' in front of the Western Bahá'í Pilgrim House, Haifa, 1923



**Shoghi Effendi
near in time
when Mary
Maxwell first
met him.**



Age 13

c1923



**Mary does the
“Egyptian
shimmy” for the
Greatest Holy Leaf
who is overcome
with laughter.**



**Juliet
Thompson**

**On her 2nd
pilgrimage in 1925
Mary was
accompanied by
Juliet Thompson &
Margarite 'Daisy'
Smythe.**



Age 15

c1925

**Mary at the time of her second
pilgrimage**



Age 16



**First Letter from
Guardian**

29 May 1928

My dear co-worker:


**I am much pleased to learn of
your growing activities in the
Cause & I will supplicate from the
depths of my heart in your behalf
at the holy Shrines that the
Beloved may graciously guide you
& assist you to render
inestimable services to His Cause
in the days to come.**

Your true brother,

Shoghi



**The Montreal
Youth Group
c1930 - after her
21st birthday she
was elected to the
LSA of Montreal.**




**At the
construction
of the
Wilmette
House of
Worship**

September 1933

J. B. Toloff
Evangelist
1911

Age 23



**Mary at Green Acre
- where she gave a
course on the *Dawn-
Breakers* in 1934**



**Only photograph
of three Maxwells
together in
Canada, 1927.**

This is the only photograph found of the three Maxwells of Montreal together. It was taken in 1927 when Mary was 17 years old

**Mary and her
mother in
Brussels,
Belgium in 1935.**

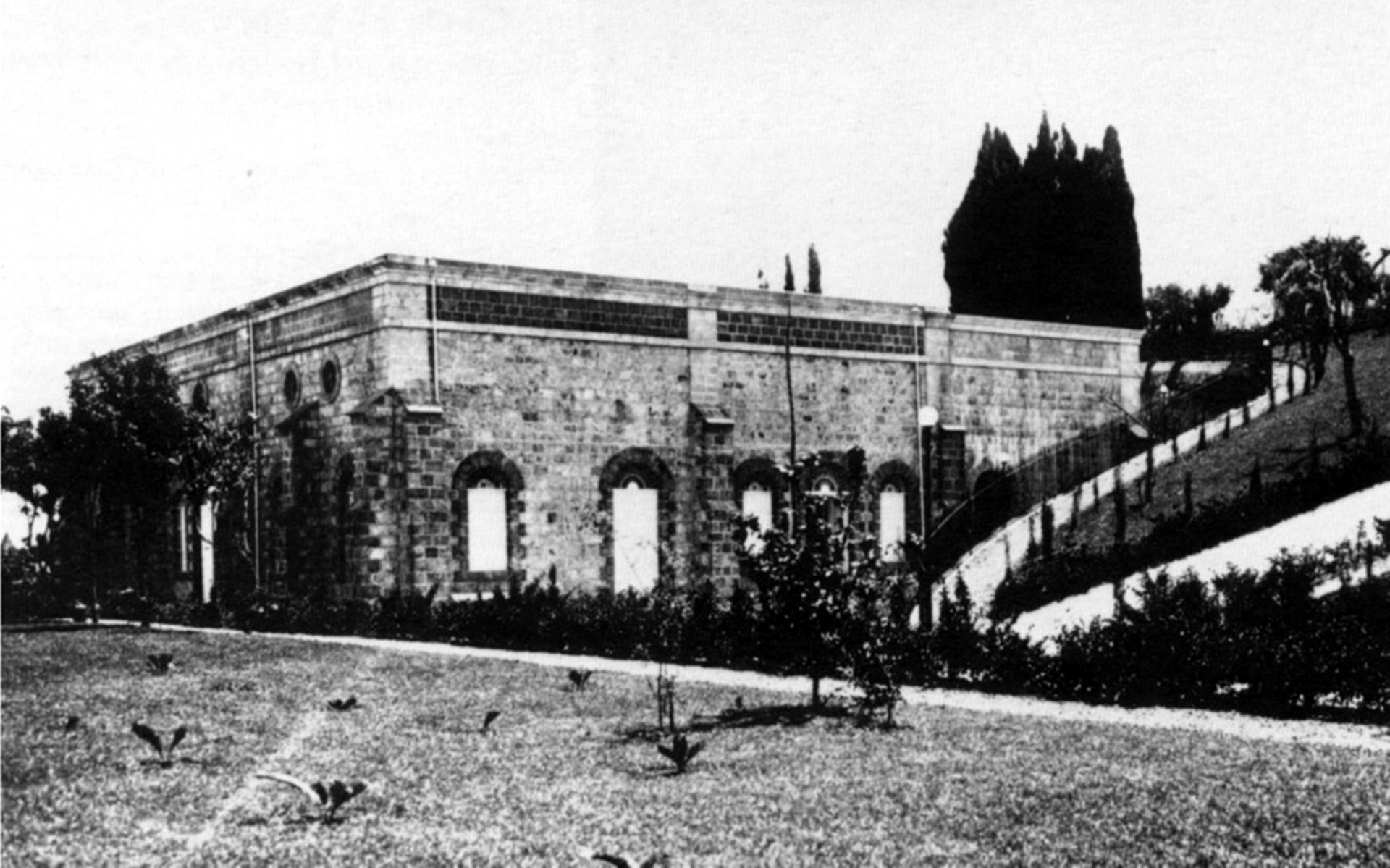




PIONEERING FIRST COUSINS

**Jeanne Bolles and Mary Maxwell in Stuttgart,
Germany, 1936**

Pilgrimage to Bahá'í Shrines in Israel begins January 12th, 1937







Aziz Yazdi
Port Said, Egypt



“Mary Maxwell!”

***“The Guardian is
married and you will
never guess to whom.”***

H A I F A N O T E S
of

Shoghi Effendi's Words

Taken at Pilgrim House during the Pilgrimage
of Mrs. May Maxwell and Miss Mary Maxwell
January, February, March
1937

VOLUME 1

(The classifying under headings was done by me
in order to keep the subjects often referred
to together.)

**The two volumes of 'Pilgrim's
Notes of Mary and her Mother
May (Jan-Mar 1937) 'go viral'
and cause quite a stir at the
1938 National Convention in
America.**

See volume 2 of The Maxwell's of Montreal.

[My own attempt at Pilgrim Notes in 1967.]

PART II

Years of Marriage

1937-1957

العباس
ABDOLBAHA ABBAS

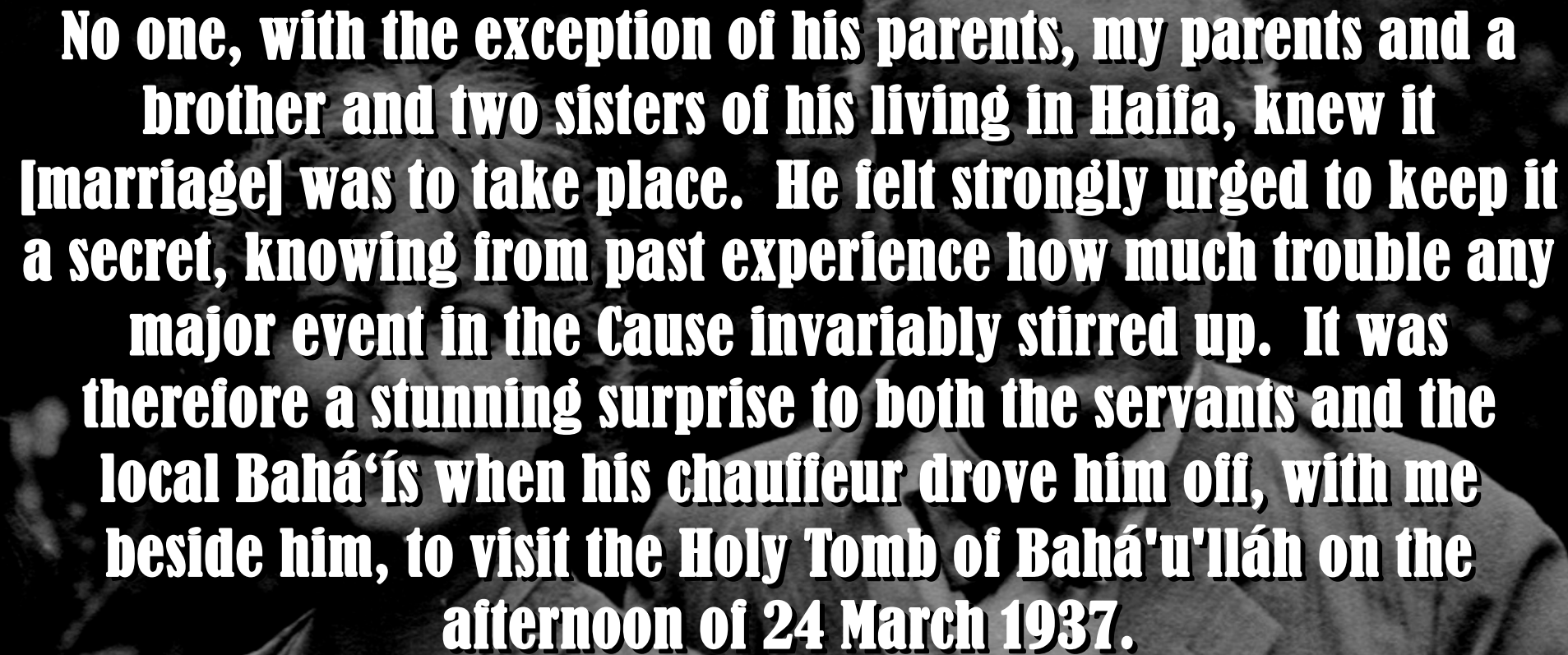


**Marriage
to the
Guardian
1937-1957**



Mother & Father-in-Law of Shoghi Effendi

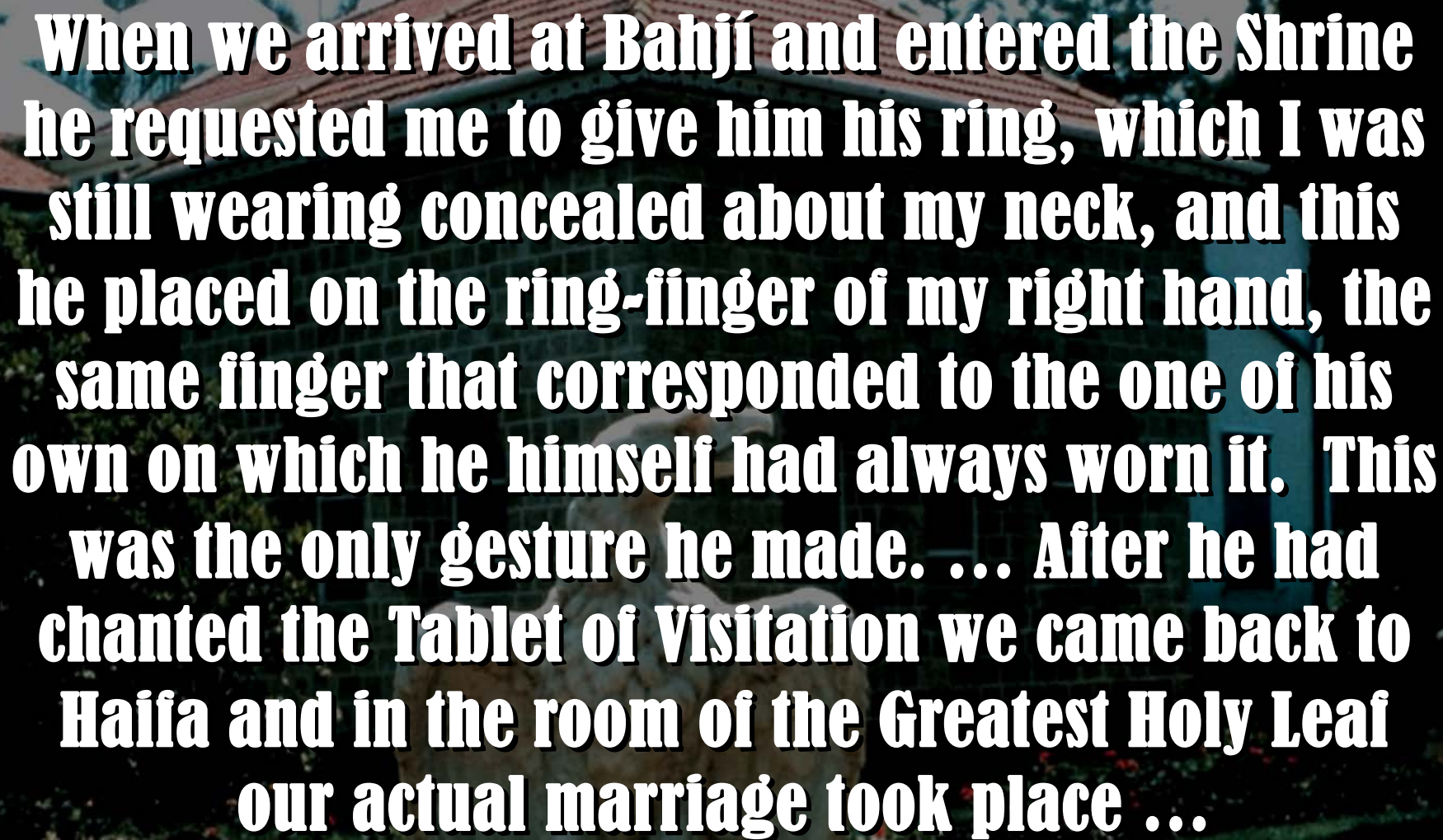
May & William Sutherland Maxwell



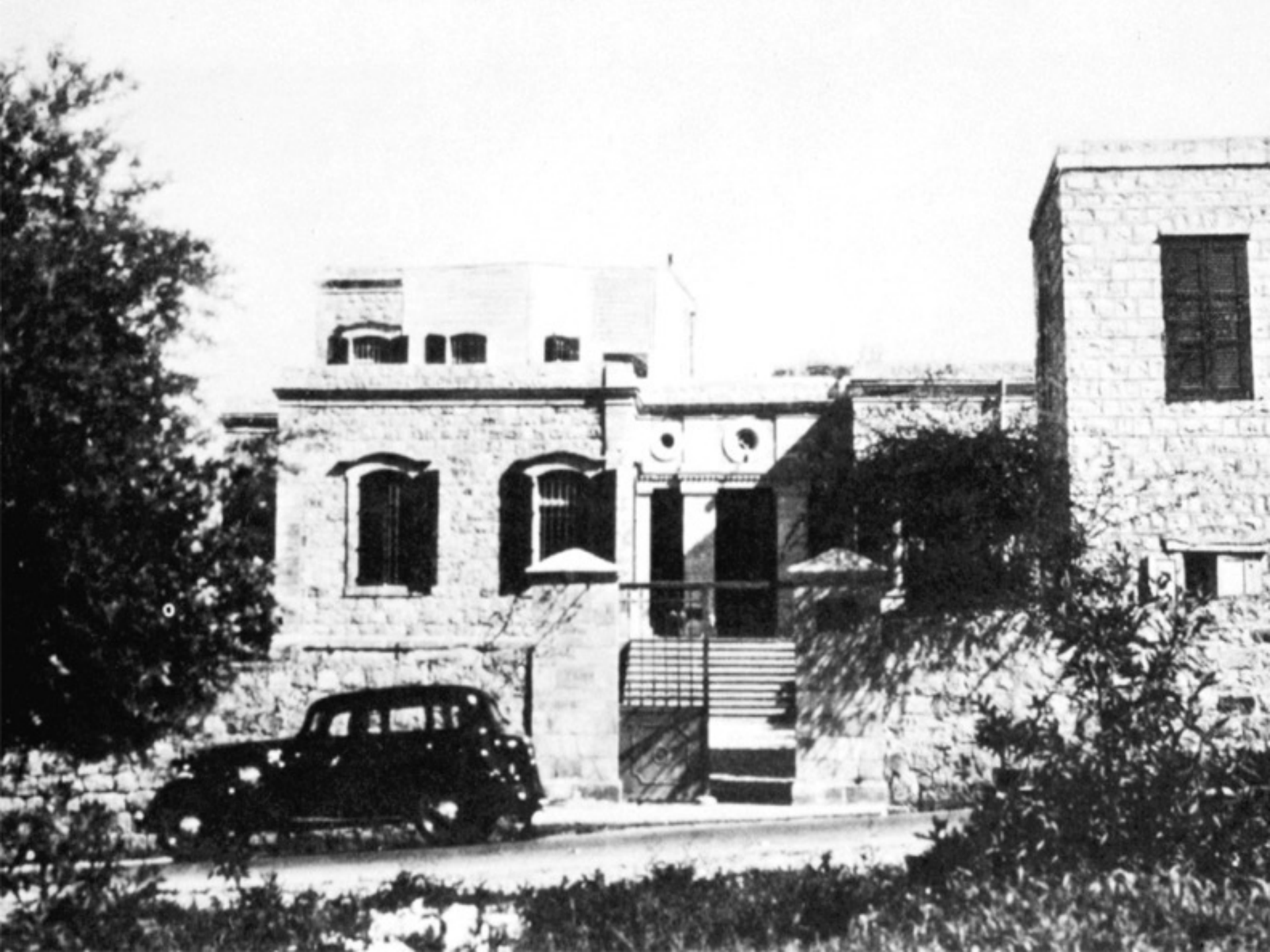
No one, with the exception of his parents, my parents and a brother and two sisters of his living in Haifa, knew it [marriage] was to take place. He felt strongly urged to keep it a secret, knowing from past experience how much trouble any major event in the Cause invariably stirred up. It was therefore a stunning surprise to both the servants and the local Bahá'ís when his chauffeur drove him off, with me beside him, to visit the Holy Tomb of Bahá'u'lláh on the afternoon of 24 March 1937.

Mother & Father-in-Law of Shoghi Effendi

May & William Sutherland Maxwell



When we arrived at Bahjí and entered the Shrine he requested me to give him his ring, which I was still wearing concealed about my neck, and this he placed on the ring-finger of my right hand, the same finger that corresponded to the one of his own on which he himself had always worn it. This was the only gesture he made. ... After he had chanted the Tablet of Visitation we came back to Haifa and in the room of the Greatest Holy Leaf our actual marriage took place ...



THERE was no celebration, no flowers, no elaborate ceremony, no wedding dress, no reception. ... At dinner-time, quite as usual, the Guardian appeared, showering his love and congratulations on my mother and father. ... My parents also signed the marriage certificate and after dinner and these events were over I walked home with Shoghi Effendi We sat for a while with the Guardian's family and then went up to his two rooms which the Greatest Holy Leaf had had built for him so long ago.

عبد الباق
العباسي

ABDUL-BAHA ABBAS



Amatu'l-Bahá

**‘Handmaid of the
Most High’**

Rúhíyyih

‘Spirit’

Khánum

‘Lady’

Social and Personal



Miss Mary Maxwell, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Sutherland Maxwell, of Montreal, whose marriage to Shoghi Effendi Rabbani, Guardian of the Baha'i Faith, which took place in Haifa, Palestine, on Saturday last, is announced. Mr. and Mrs. Maxwell were present at the ceremony. The bride and groom will live in Haifa, which is the centre of this faith. The groom is the grandson of Sin Abdul Baha Abbas and great-grandson of Baha 'ollah, founder of the movement and formulator of its principles.

1937-04-03
The Montreal
Gazette (Canada)

Mary Maxwell's
Wedding to
Shoghi Effendi
Rabbani

SOURCE:
Google Timeline
Newspapers



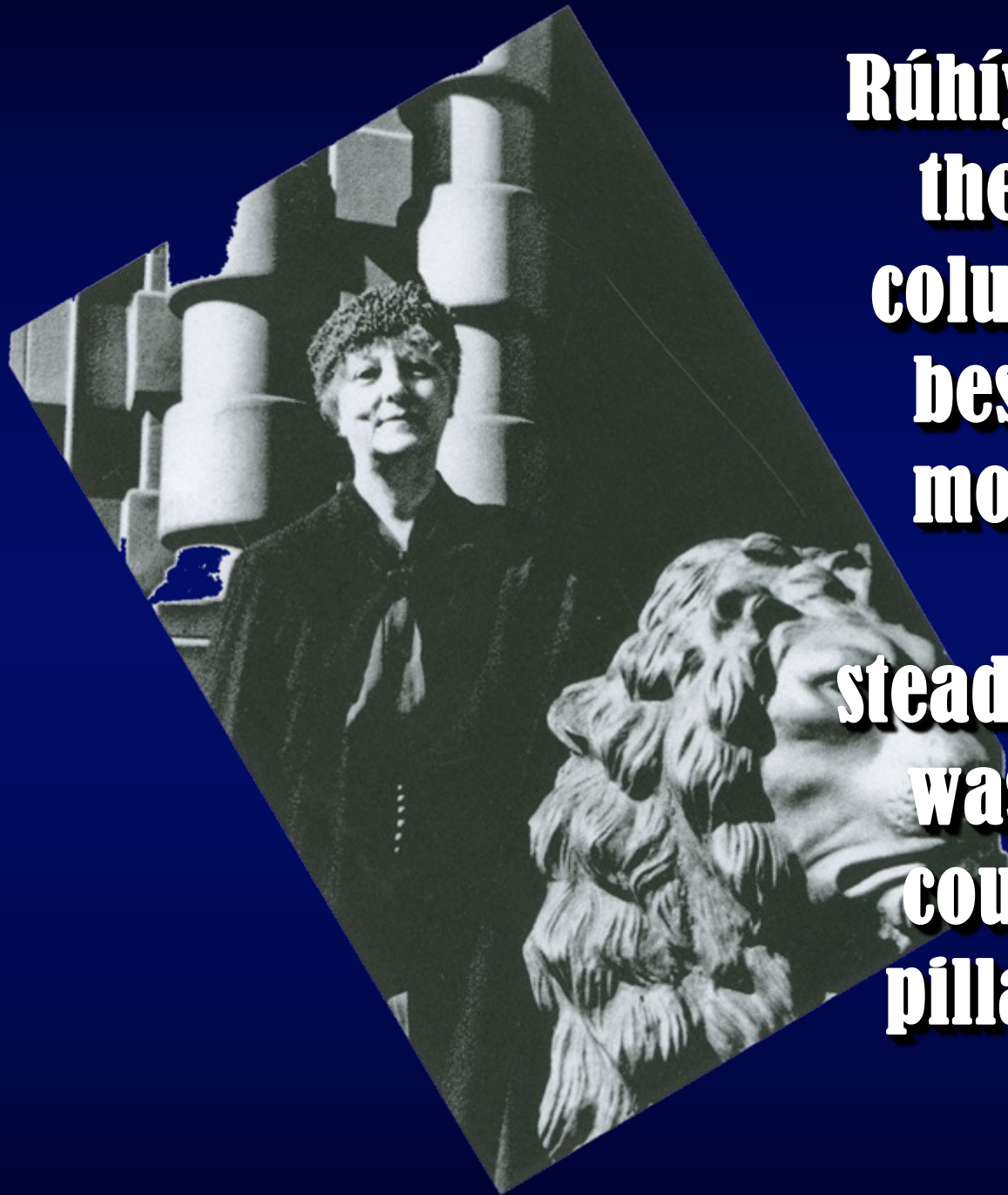
1939-1945

The Passing of May Maxwell in Argentina in 1940

**‘Amatu’l-Baha loses
her ‘soul-mate’**







**Rúhíyyih Khánum said
the symbols of the
columns and the lion
best expressed her
mother's nature of
courage and
steadfastness. "...[S]he
was lionlike in her
courage and a true
pillar of the Faith in
every way."**

Shoghi Effendi's attempts to console Rúhíyyih Khánum over the loss of her mother by telling her how her mother was going around the Abha Kingdom saying, "Do let me tell you about my daughter." until each holy soul became tired and passed her on to someone else.

p.38 A Tribute to 'Amatu'l-Baha Ruhíyyih Khanum



בהא
BAHA St.



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IRAN St.

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Shoghi Effendi then invited William Sutherland Maxwell to come live in Haifa. He resided across the street from the house of 'Abdu'l-Bahá.



By 1941 all of 'Abdu'l-Bahá's family had abandoned the Guardian. From that date forward 'Amatu'l-Bahá became Shoghi Effendi's principal secretary.

Protection in all matters.
With Bahá'í love,
ever your devoted
Co-worker,
P. R. Rahmani.

May the Almighty protect &
sustain you in these days
of turmoil & strife, & enable
you to promote the best
interests of His Faith, reinforce
the basis of its institutions,
& stimulate the enthusiasm
of its supporters.

Your true & grateful brother,
Shoghi



Haifa,
December
14th, 1941.

Dear Bahá'í sister:

Your letter of August 23rd
and October 20th, reached
the Guardian recently, to-
gether with the pictures of
your Bahá'í Center and
the grave of our dear
Mortimer Rand, both of which
he was very pleased to
receive.

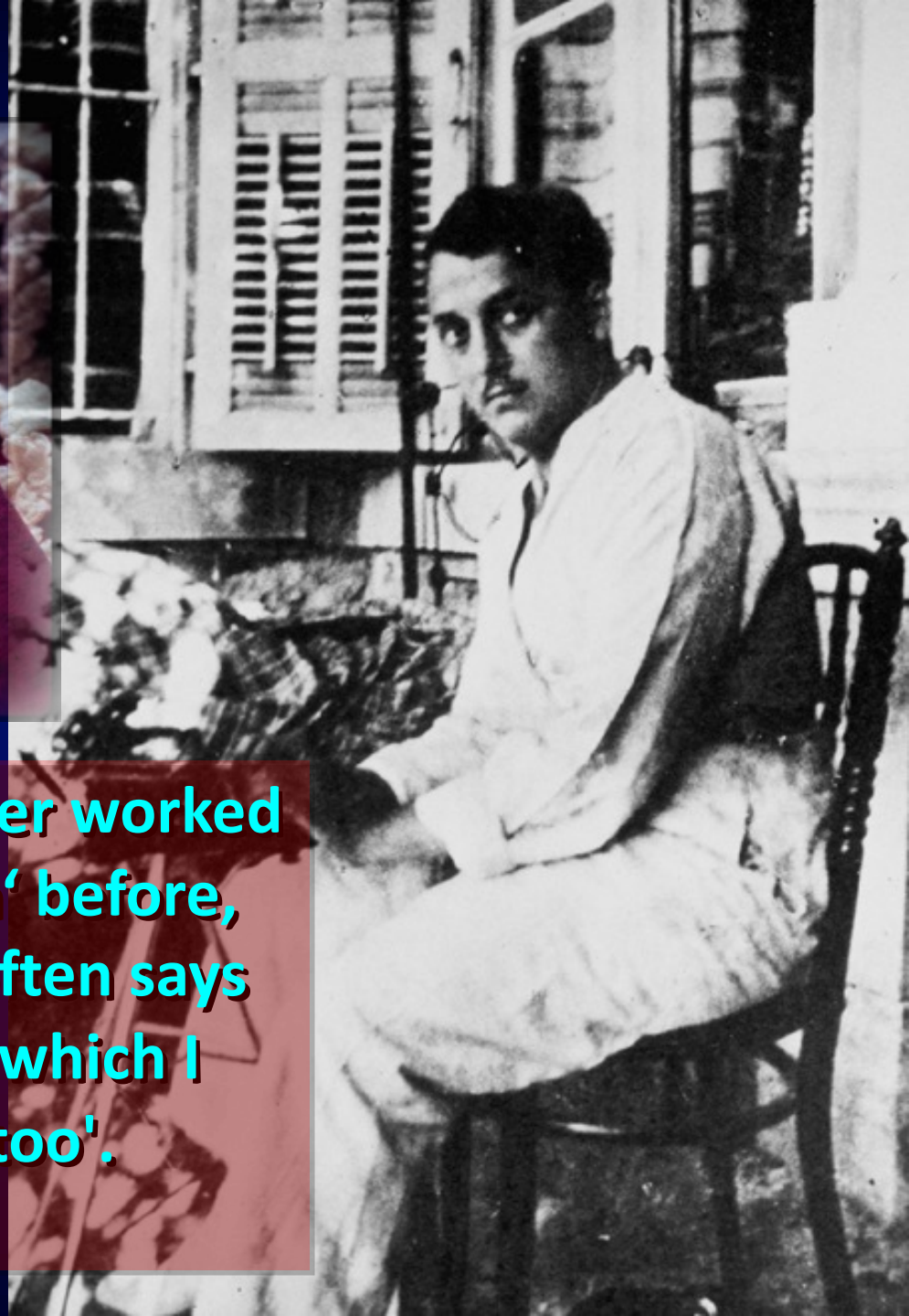
His thoughts these last
few days have been con-
stantly with the dear friends
in Hawaii, and his parents
he is awaiting a reply
from the U.S.A. to his letter

**Rúhiyyih Khánum's
Diary Nov 29, 1943**

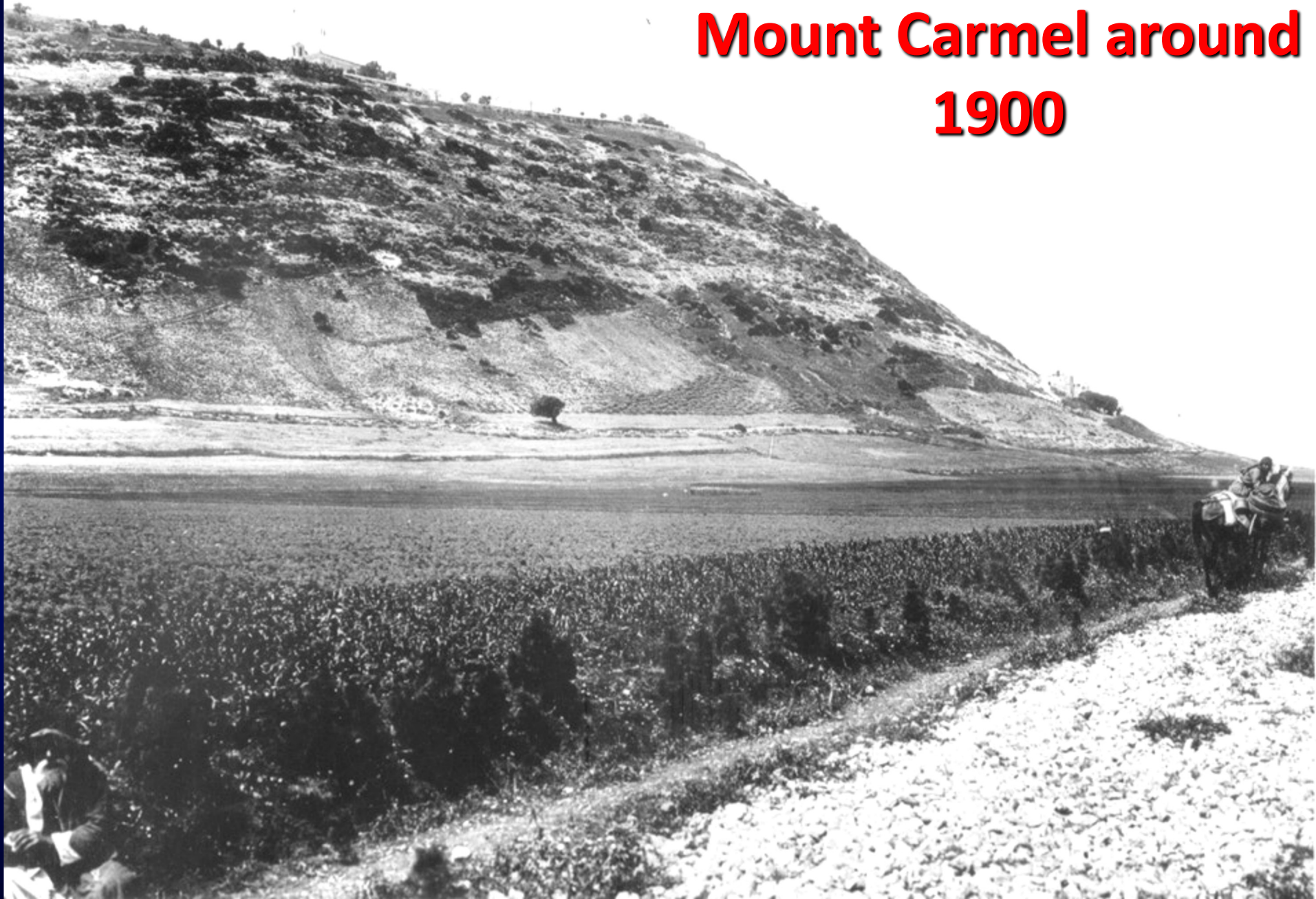


God
Passes
by by SHOGHI EFFENDI

I don't think the Guardian ever worked so hard during his 'vacation' before, and I am sure I didn't! He often says 'this book is killing me' to which I invariably answer 'me too'.



Mount Carmel around 1900



**Cypress Trees mark the
spot chosen by
Bahá'u'lláh for the
Shrine of the Báb**



First 6 rooms under construction by the Master



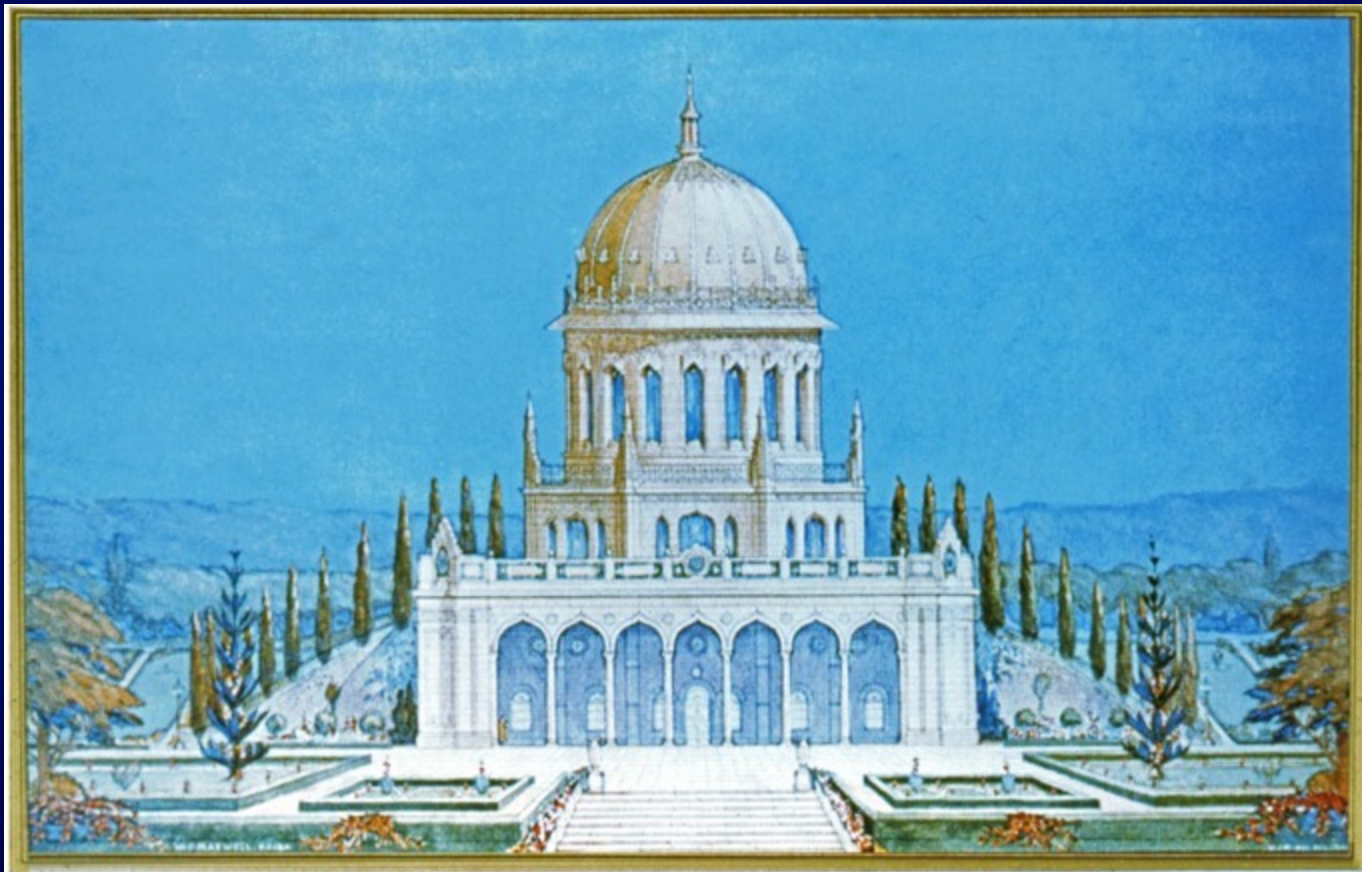
First 6 rooms completed in the time of the Master



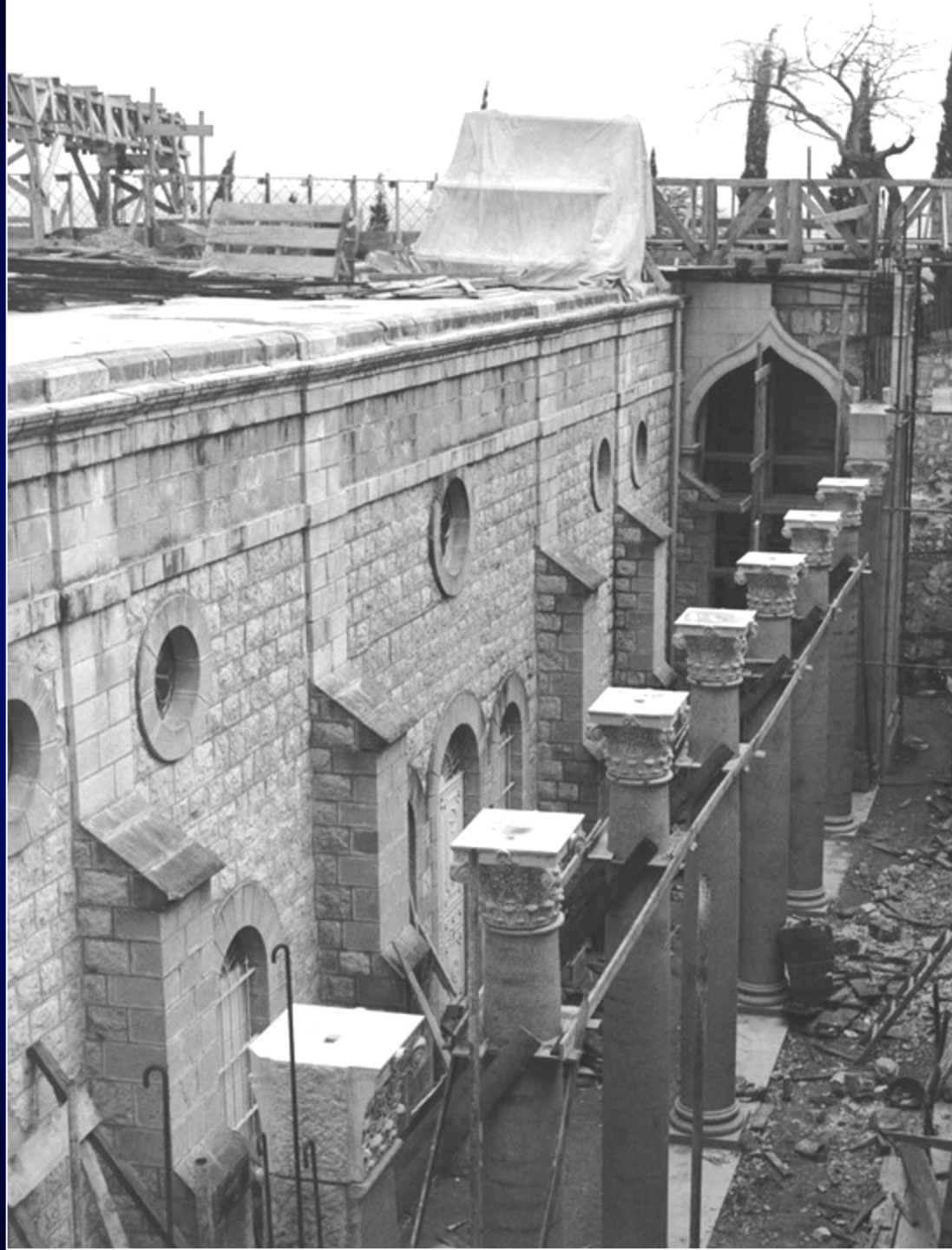
Some early changes by the Guardian



Collaboration on the Shrine of Báb between WSM and the Guardian



William Sutherland Maxwell's watercolor of design for the Shrine of the Báb











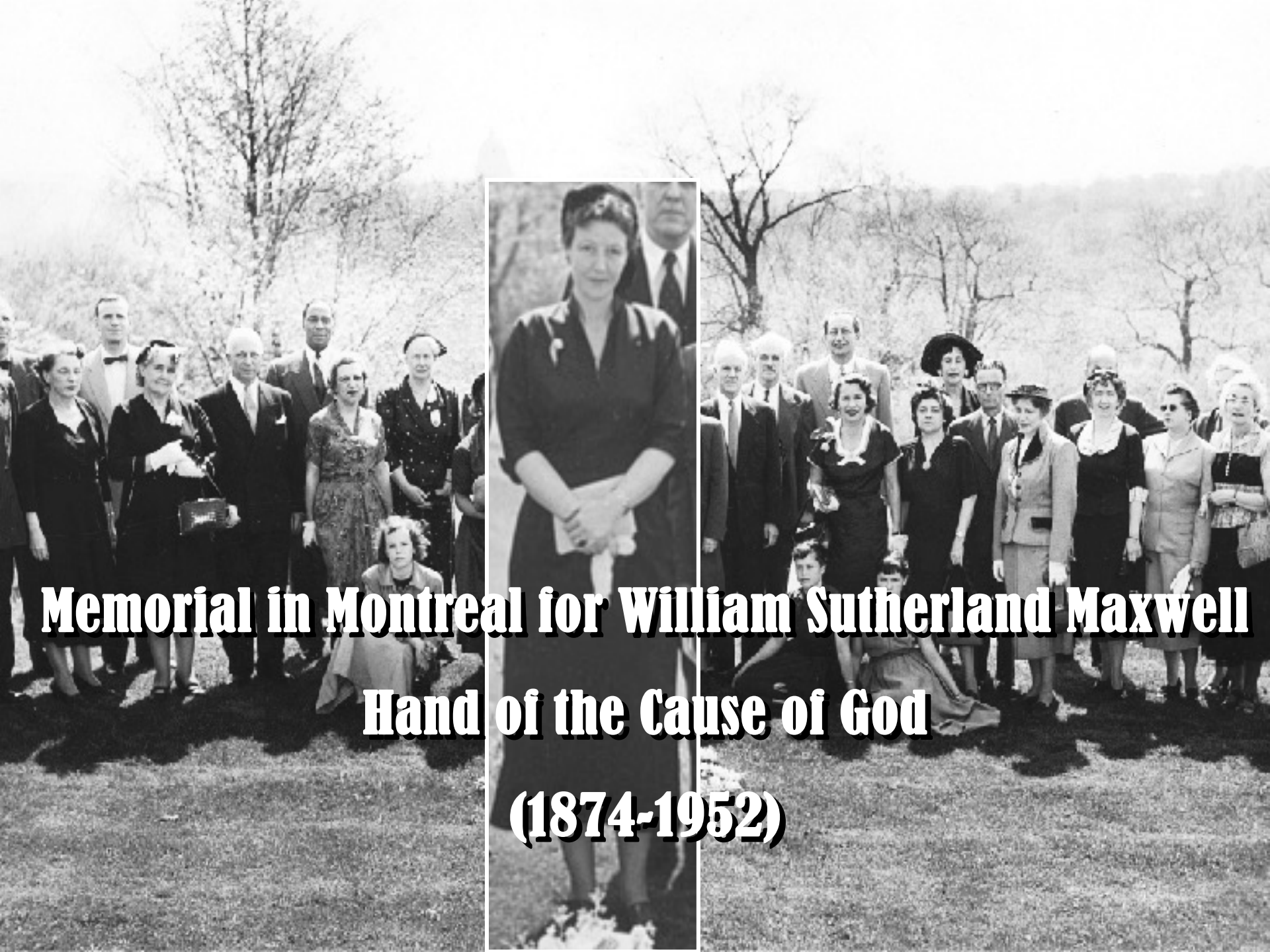
**Shoghi Effendi
elevates William
Sutherland
Maxwell to the
rank of Hand of
the Cause of God
on 24 December
1951 in the First
Contingent of 12
Hands named.**





26 March 1952

William Sutherland Maxwell, Hand of the Cause of God, architect of the Shrine of the Báb, dies in Montreal 3 months after being named Hand. Shoghi Effendi named a door in this Shrine after Mr. Maxwell.



Memorial in Montreal for William Sutherland Maxwell

Hand of the Cause of God

(1874-1952)

**'THE mantle of Hand of Cause
now falls upon the shoulders of
his distinguished daughter,
'Amatu'l-Bahá Rúhíyyih
Khánum, who has already
rendered and is still rendering
manifold no less meritorious
self-sacrificing services at World
Center of Faith of Bahá'u'lláh.'**

-Shoghi Effendí

26 March 1952





Wilmette, USA
Dedication, May
1953

Bahá'í House of Worship
all are welcome



**Reading Shoghi
Effendi's address
at the dedication**



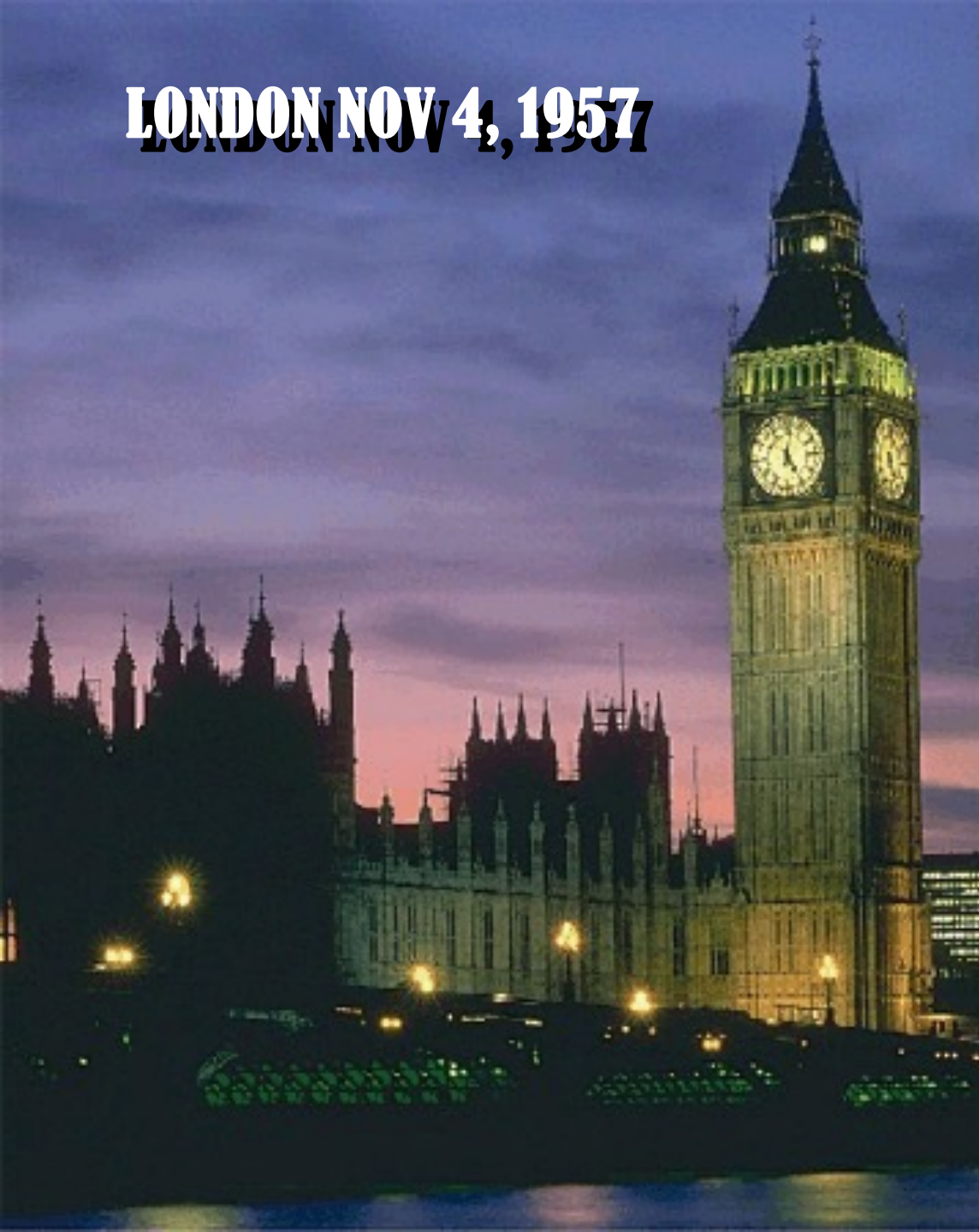
Donates Maxwell House to the National Spiritual Assembly of Canada



1548, Pine Avenue West, Montreal



LONDON NOV 4, 1957

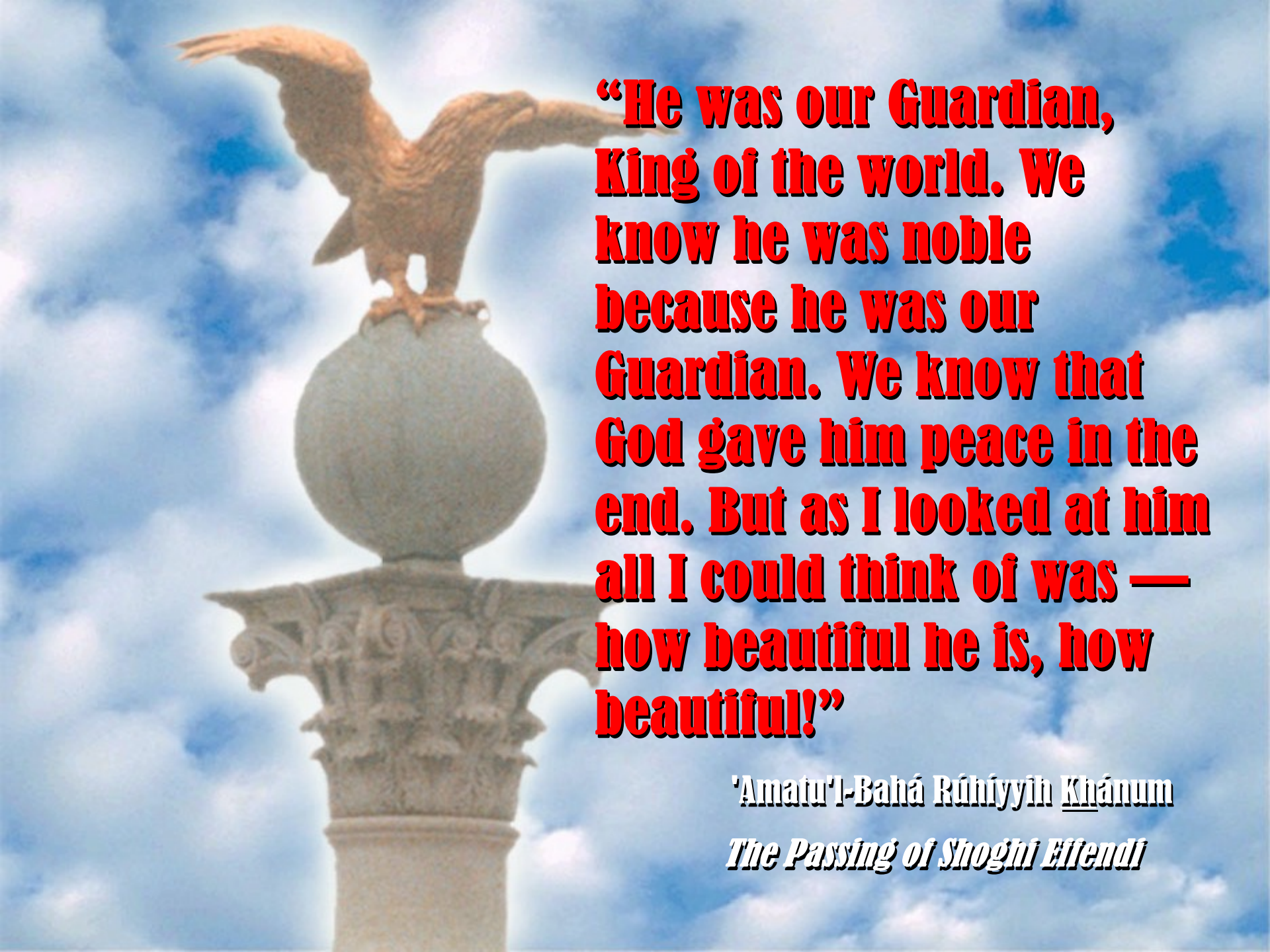


When I went to his room in the morning to ask him how he was I did not recognize that he was dead. His eyes were half-open with no look of pain, alarm or surprise in them. He lay as if he had wakened up and was quietly thinking about something in a relaxed and comfortable position.



LONDON NOV 9, 1957
Great Northern
Cemetery





**“He was our Guardian,
King of the world. We
know he was noble
because he was our
Guardian. We know that
God gave him peace in the
end. But as I looked at him
all I could think of was —
how beautiful he is, how
beautiful!”**

'Amatu'l-Bahá Rúhíyyih Khánum

The Passing of Shoghi Effendi

PART III

The Interregnum

1957-1963

The Interregnum 1957-1963

interregnum

Temporary authority or rule exercised during a vacancy of the throne or a suspension of the normal government.

- New Shorter Oxford English Dictionary

Two Chief Tasks of the Hands during the Interregnum:

- 1. Complete the goals of the 10 Year World Crusade (1953-1963).**
- 2. Arrange for the Election of the Universal House Justice at the end of the World Crusade (1963).**



The Hands met at Bahji every fall to make their plans for the coming year. These meetings were called "conclaves". The first one was held 18-25 November, 1957.

**Kampala
Cornerstone laying
1958**

**Though still grieving,
she wore the clothing
chosen by Shoghi
Effendi for this
occasion.**

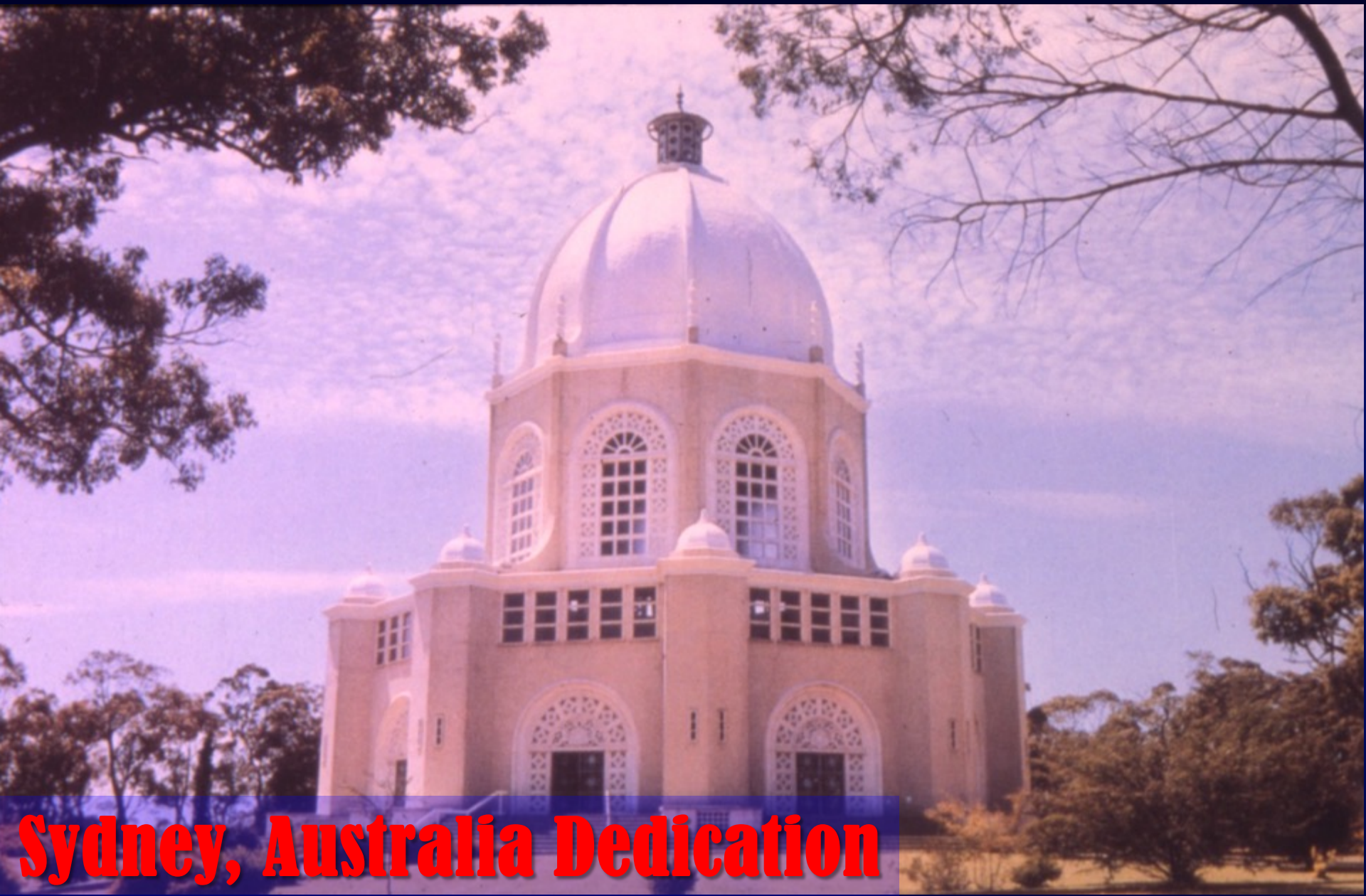


1960s

14 January 1961

**Dedication of Mother
Temple of Africa**





**Sydney, Australia Dedication
1961**

21 April 1963

**Election of First Universal House of Justice in
the House of the Master**



**World
Congress Royal
Albert Hall
London 1963**



'Amatu'l-Bahá Khánum recalls Shoghi Effendi at the World Congress





**Khánum with
‘Uncle Fred’ – the
1st Australian
aborigine who had
never flown in a
plane before the
London Congress**

**(Airplane:
“kangaroo pouch”)**

PART IV

Leading Ambassador of the

Bahá'í Faith

1964 - 1997





INDIA

**February-
October 1964**



**With Prime
Minister
Indira
Gandhi (who
was
assassinated
13 days
later).**

A photograph of the Lotus Temple in New Delhi, India, at night. The temple is illuminated with warm, golden lights, highlighting its unique lotus-like structure with multiple layers of petals. The sky is a deep, dark red, suggesting a sunset or sunrise. The foreground is dark, with some blurred lights and silhouettes of people, indicating a public space or plaza.

New Delhi, India
Cornerstone 1977
Dedication 1986



BAHA'I HOUSE OF
WORSHIP OF THE
INDIAN SUB-CONTINENT

DEDICATION CELEBRATION
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**Bolivia
1967**

She “gave me the gift of life, but better still, the beloved mother of my soul”.

Rúhiyyih Khánum

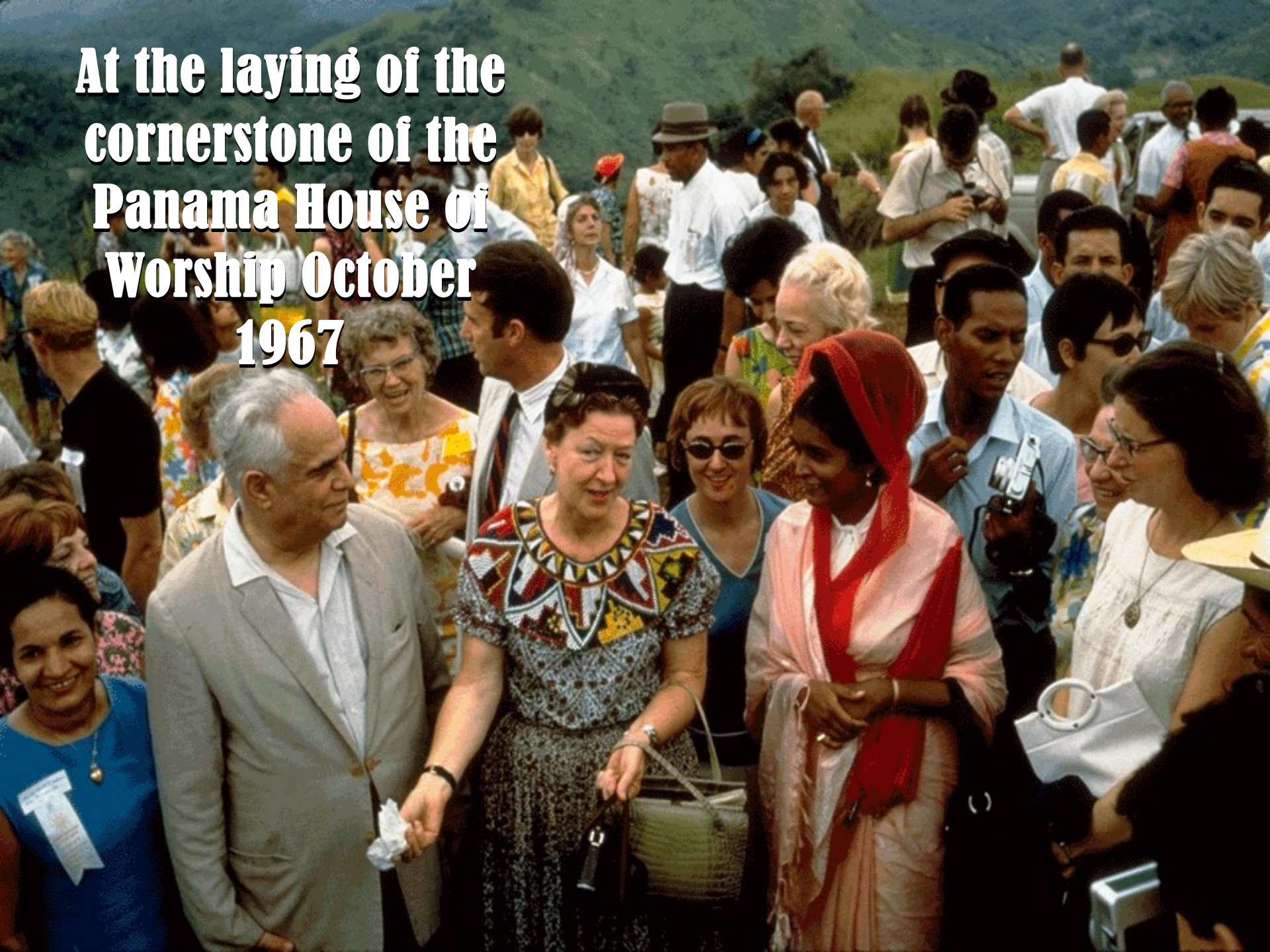
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DISCIPLE
MAY ELLIS MAXWELL
NEE MAY ELLIS BOLLES

BORN ENGLEWOOD NJ JAN 9 1870
DIED BUENOS AIRES MARCH 1 1940
WIFE OF W SUTHERLAND MAXWELL

‘Laden with the fruits
garnered through well-
nigh half a century of
toilsome service to the
Cause she so greatly loved,
she set her face towards
the southern outpost of
the Faith in the New
World and laid down her
life in such a spirit of
consecration and self-
sacrifice as has truly
merited the crown of
martyrdom.’ *Sheykh El-Eidi*

Visiting May Maxwell’s Grave in Buenos
Aires - 1967

**At the laying of the
cornerstone of the
Panama House of
Worship October
1967**



**Los Muchos,
Venezuela, 1968**





Haifa 1968

The proceeds
of this
BAZAAR
will go to the teaching
work in the villages
of **INDIA**





A stylized map of Africa and South America is centered on a dark blue background. The continent of Africa is colored in a vibrant green, while South America is colored in a bright cyan. The text is overlaid on the map.

1970s

**Africa & South
America**

**Taken from page 593 of
Covered 36,000 miles
overland**

Met 19 Heads of State

Over 40,000 people

Addressed 410 gatherings

51 newspaper int.

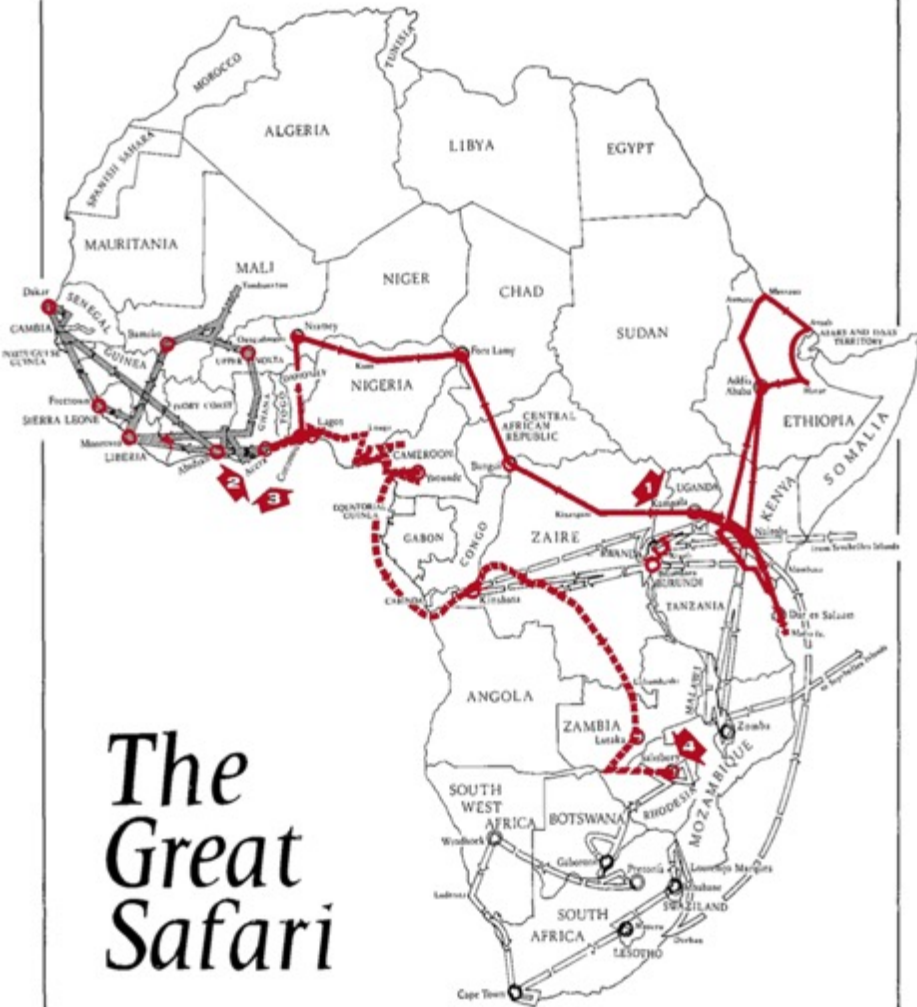
42 radio interviews

20 TV interviews

The Great Safari

FOUR JOURNEYS

- 1 ————— August 1969 to March 1970
- 2 - - - - - November 1970 to May 1971
- 3 - - - - - August 1971 to March 1972
- 4 - - - - - May 1972 to February 1973





“The Great Safari”
August 1969 –
January 1973

**‘Amatu’l-Bahá
interrupts “The
Great Safari” to
speak to 2,000+
youth in
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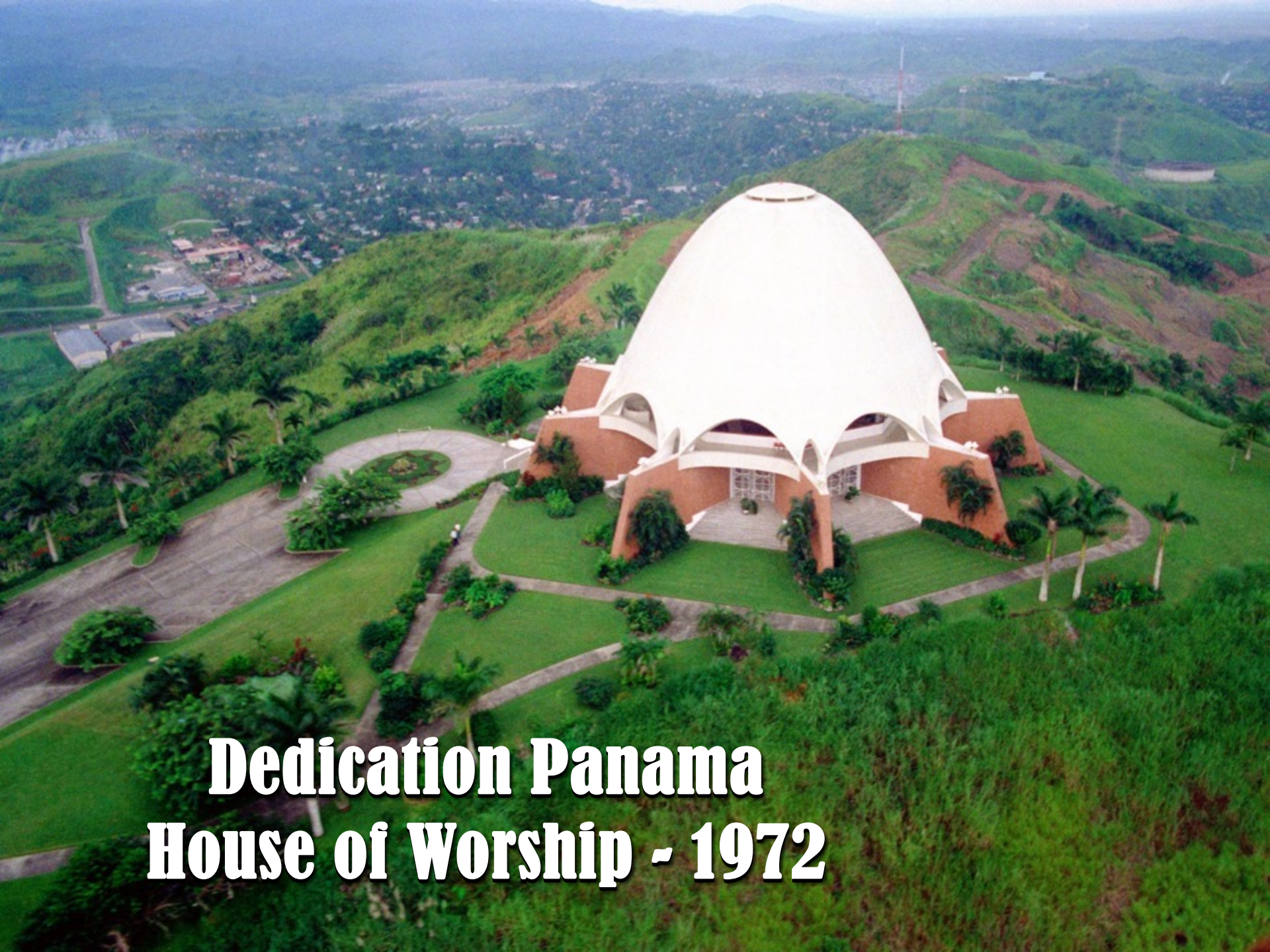
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UNITY OF RELIGION, UNITY OF





Botswana 1972



**Dedication Panama
House of Worship - 1972**

2 NOVEMBER 1972

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AMATULBAHA RUHIYYIH RABBANI CARE YAZDI

NAIROBI KENYA

YOUR TRAVELS AFRICAN CONTINENT UNIQUE
UNPARALLELED IN NUMBER COUNTRIES VISITED
HEADS STATE INTERVIEWED EXTENSIVE
PUBLICITY OBTAINED LOVING ENCOURAGEMENT
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SUCH LONG PERIOD UNDER SUCH ARDUOUS
CONDITIONS STOP FEEL ASSURED GLORIOUS
SPIRIT BELOVED GUARDIAN

RADIANT SOULS YOUR DISTINGUISHED PARENTS
HIGHLY ELATED SINGULARLY PROUD OVER RANGE
QUALITY RESULTS YOUR SPLENDID ENDEAVOURS
STOP LOVING THOUGHTS TENDERLY WITH YOU
THIS DAY FERVENTLY PRAYING SHRINES
BLESSINGS BAHALLAH MAY INCREASINGLY
SURROUND YOU GUIDE YOUR STEPS REINFORCE
PRODIGIOUS EFFORTS STOP SPIRIT YOUR LOVE
FIDELITY DEDICATION SO BRILLIANTLY
DEMONSTRATED SETS SHINING EXAMPLE HIS
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Alaska
1973



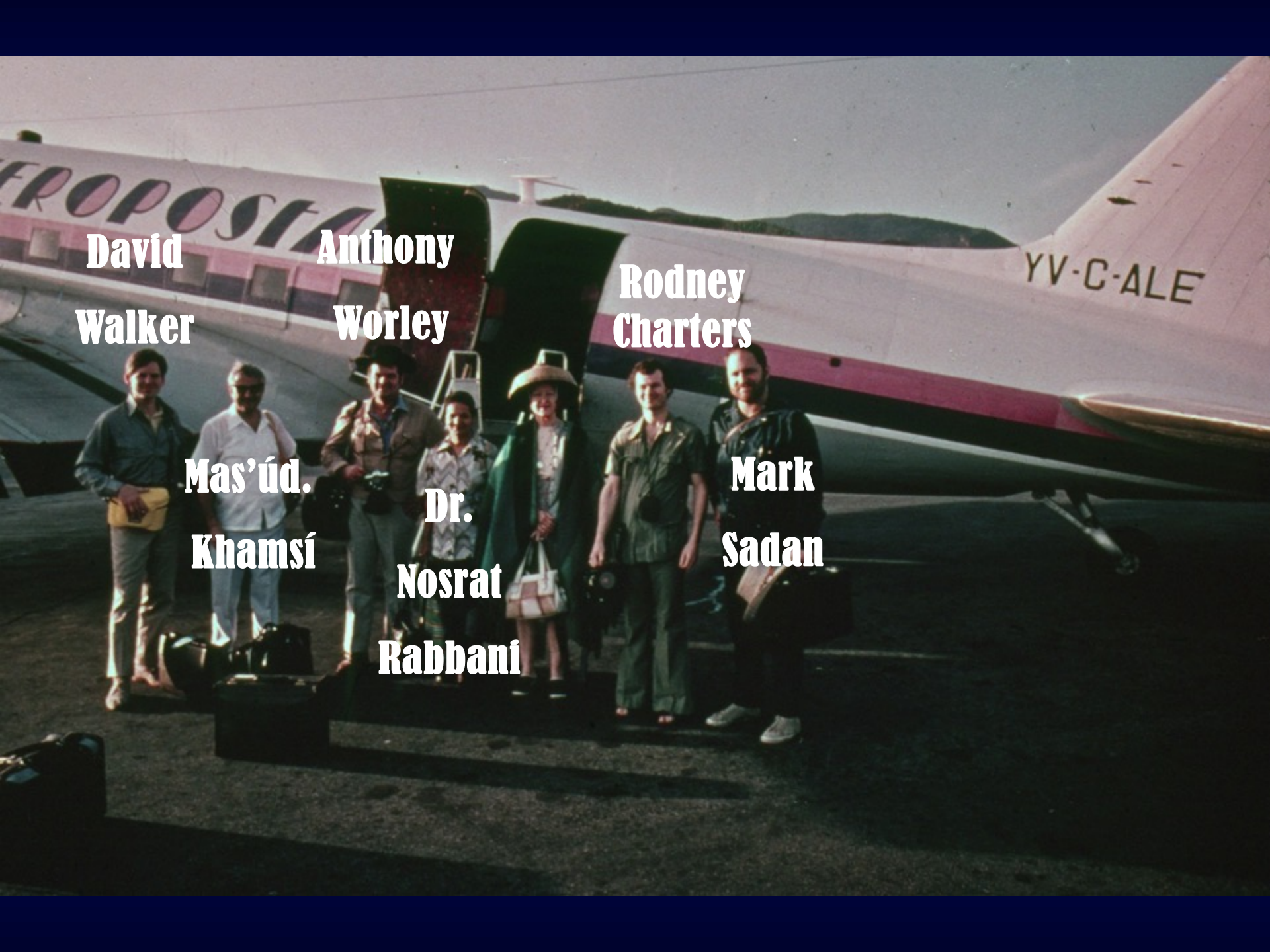
Paris 1974



A group of six people are posed on a wooden boat on a river. The boat is made of light-colored wood and is positioned on a calm body of water. The background is a dense, lush green forest that lines the riverbanks. The sky is overcast. The group consists of five men and one woman. One man stands at the back of the boat, wearing a light-colored short-sleeved shirt and dark trousers. To his left, another man is kneeling, wearing a white short-sleeved shirt and light-colored trousers, with binoculars around his neck. In the foreground, a woman wearing a wide-brimmed straw hat and a light-colored long-sleeved shirt is sitting and looking towards the right. Next to her, a woman in a patterned long-sleeved shirt and blue trousers is sitting and smiling. To her right, a man in a dark long-sleeved shirt and green trousers is sitting. Another man in a light-colored shirt is partially visible behind the woman in the patterned shirt. The overall atmosphere is that of an outdoor expedition in a tropical or subtropical environment.

The Green Light Expedition

“Journey of Friendship”



**David
Walker**

**Anthony
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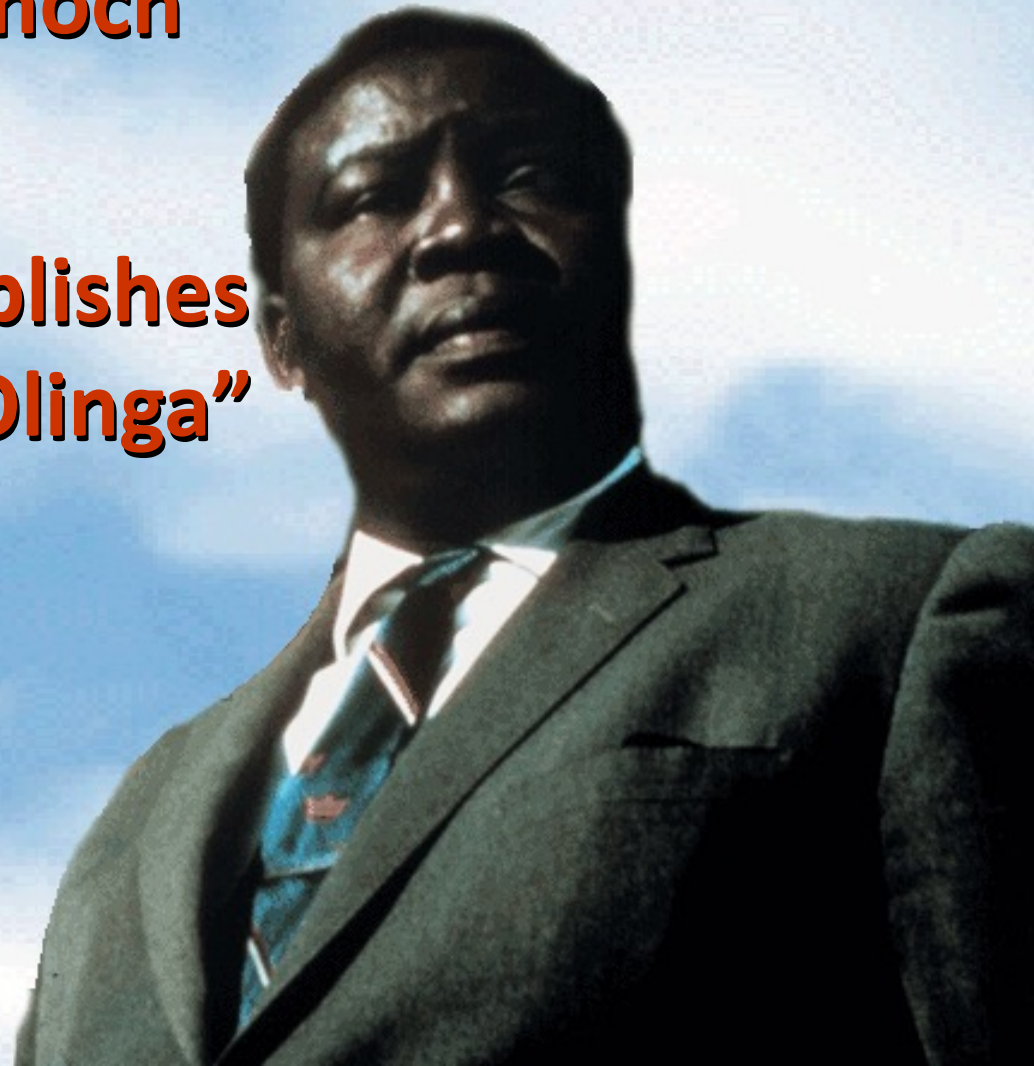
**With Leorna Stirling (Hopsapple)
Armstrong “Spiritual Mother of South
America”**



Inspecting the tiles on the Shrine of the Báb, 1977

**Robbers murder Hand of
the Cause of God, Enoch
Olinga – 1979**

**Rúhíyyih Khánúm publishes
“The Story of Enoch Olinga”
in 1984**



1980s



Haifa
1983

IF YOU HAVE A MESSAGE FOR MISS REVELL
OR WISH TO SEE HER, PLEASE GO TO THE
KITCHEN DOOR OF THE MASTER'S HOUSE AND
ASK TO SEE HER.
AMATU'L-BAHA RUMIYYIH KHANUM

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AMATU'L-BAHÁ RÚHÍYYIH KHÁNUM



**His Highness Malietoa Tanumafili II Western
Samoa Sept 1984**

First reigning monarch to embrace the Faith.







Apia, Samoa Dedication 1984



**Dedication of
the Bahá'í
House of
Worship in New
Delhi,
December 1986**







Banquet honoring Amatu'l-Bahá Ruhiyyih Khánúm-25 January 1987



**50TH
Anniversary of
her
permanent
move to the
Holy Land.**





Hands, Counsellors, and Mrs. Featherstone on the steps of the International Teaching Centre - 1988

**Dedication of
the Maxwell
Bahá'í School
1989**



1990s



**Depositing the Scroll of
the “Knights of
Bahá’u’lláh” in the
Threshold of the Most
Holy Tomb.**

**Hundreth Anniversary of
the passing of Bahá’u’lláh.
1992**

Roll of Honour

Baha'i World Crusade

1953-1963

Violet DePue in 1954 Iceland Is	Andersson, Barbara in 1953 Bahia, Bahia Cuba, Alaska - 1953 Die 1	Found to be already open Virginia	City the Made the in 1953 Queen Charlotte Is
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B. Foyar in 1953 Andaman Is	Martha Kallio in 1953 John Margerie Kallio in 1953 Dutch West Indies	Found to be already open Latvia 2	Amin Kallio in 1953 Rio de Oro
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Richard Lois Rubin in 1953 Syria	Opened by travelling teachers Finn-Karalia	Mildred Clark in 1953 Lopez Lawrence in 1953 Lafayette Is	Ulan Wynn in 1953 Samoa Is
Donald Vinson Curtis in 1953 Robert John Matthews in 1953 Alaska Is	John Kathleen in 1953 Franklin	Daniel Doremont in 1953 Loyalty Is	Schwarz Estadok Popman in 51 - 1953 San Marino
Virginia Orlean Charles Jones Jean Lyle Nelson Baltimore Is	Samuel Rishi in 1953 Melbourne, Russell in 1953 St. Croix	Frances Heller Carl Lorella Scherer in 1953 Malina 1	Marie Green in 1953 Sandwich

World Congress New York City November 1992





**With Xie ZongZing (her
left) China Taoist
Association and Indian
Ambassador to
Mongolia**

London, May 1995

With fellow Hands 'Alí Akbar Furutan and 'Alí Muhammad Varqá at the International Teaching Centre in Haifa, 1998



Rúhíyyih Khánum was at once

- **A Hand of the Cause of God**
- **The leading Ambassador of the Bahá'í Faith**
- **A writer**
- **A poet**
- **A playwright**
- **A public speaker**
- **A world traveller**
- **A documentary filmmaker**

2000

19 January 2000

To the Bahá'ís of the World

IN THE early hours of this morning, the soul of Amatu'l-Bahá Rúhíyyih Khánum, beloved consort of Shoghi Effendi and the Bahá'í world's last remaining link with the family of 'Abdu'l-Bahá, was released from the limitations of this earthly existence. In the midst of our grief, we are sustained by our confidence that she has been gathered to the glory of the Concourse on High in the presence of the Abhá Beauty.

A life so noble in its provenance, so crucial to the preservation of the Faith's integrity, and so rich in its dedicated, uninterrupted and selfless service, moves us to call for befitting commemorations ... With yearning hearts, we supplicate at the Holy Threshold for infinite heavenly bounties to surround her soul, as she assumes her rightful and well-earned position among the exalted company in the Abhá Kingdom.


-The Universal House of Justice

A woman with red hair, wearing a black veil and a multi-strand necklace, stands to the left of a white, ornate gravestone. The gravestone is set on a tiered base and is surrounded by a large arrangement of red roses. The background is a soft-focus outdoor setting with trees and a building.

I HAVE A RENDEZVOUS WITH DEATH

I have a rendezvous with death —

**Sweet death, dear death,
Soon or late I come to thee.
My ancestors were wild folk,
Highland folk, deep, keen,
They plied the sword
For those they loved,
They grinned and parried,
Spilt their blood,
Died for lost causes
Counting not the cost!**



The same blood flows in me,
I'll race fate one last course
About the green,
Give destiny a run
For its black money—
And then, my friends,
I have a rendezvous with death

Dear death, sweet death,
I'll come to thee.

Shoghi Effendi once found some of her poems and read them.
He told her they made him cry!

THE END



Ruhiyeh Ralham



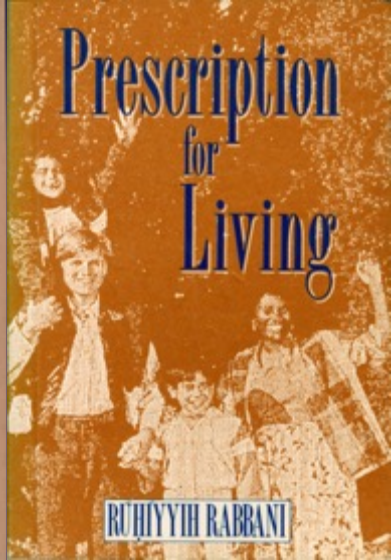
Writer &

Poet



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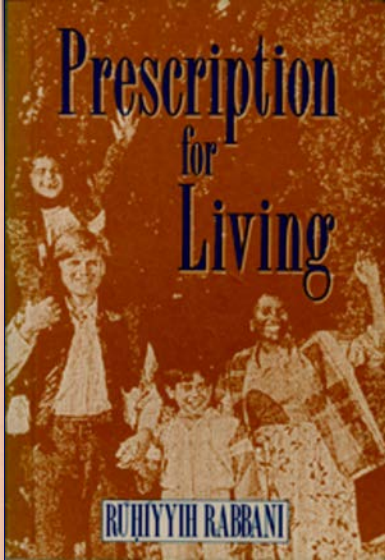
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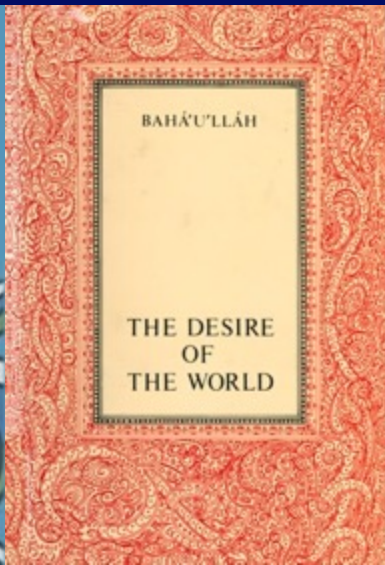
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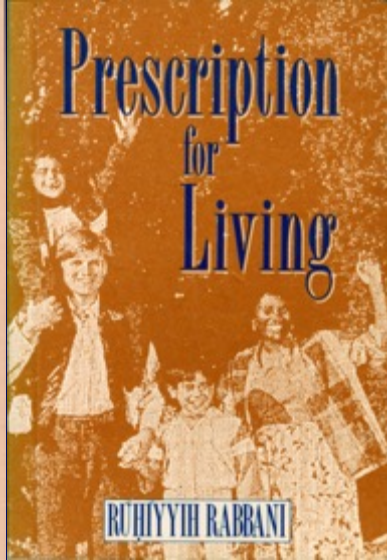


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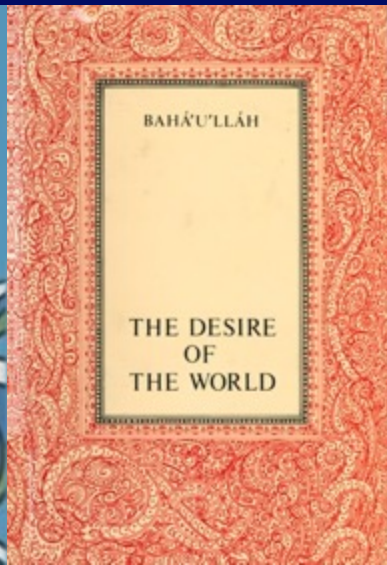
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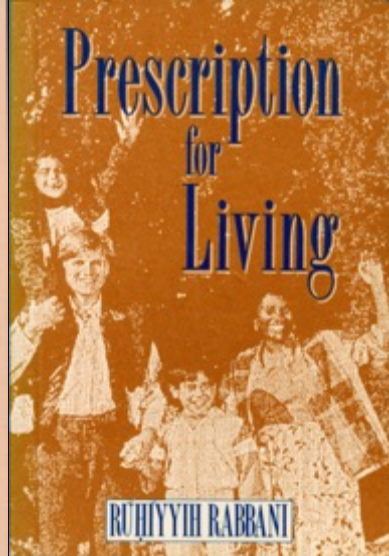
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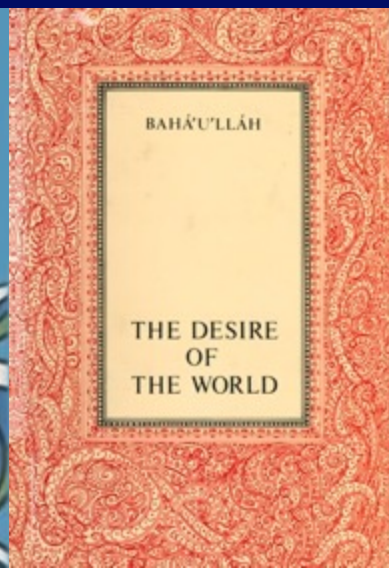
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Problems that Face Pioneers

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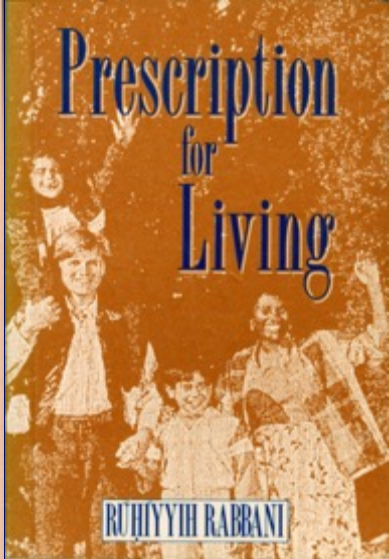
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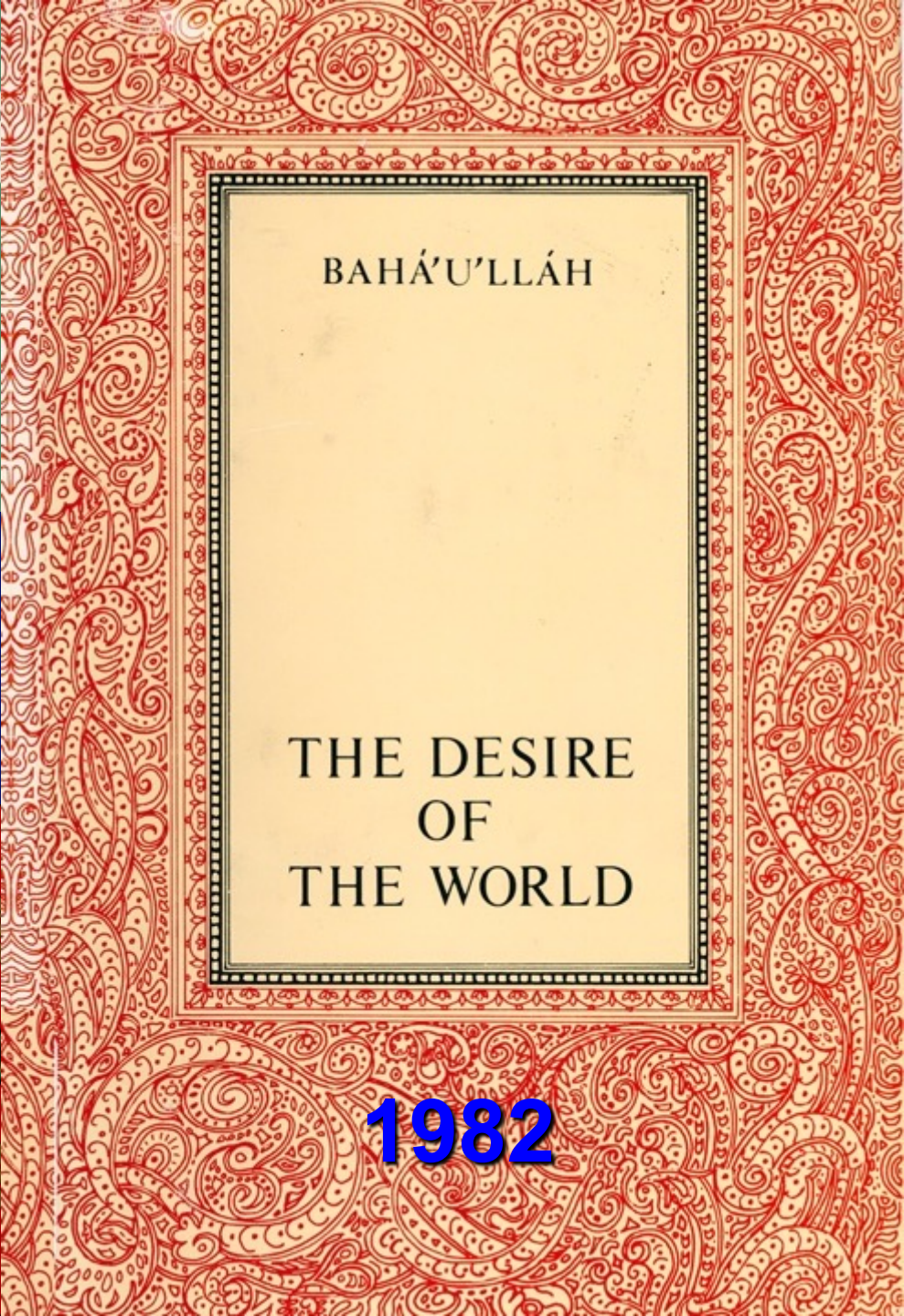
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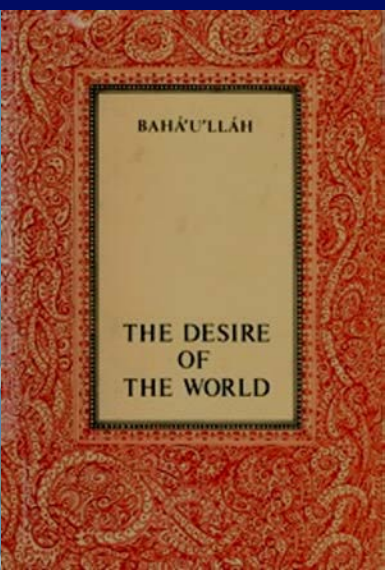


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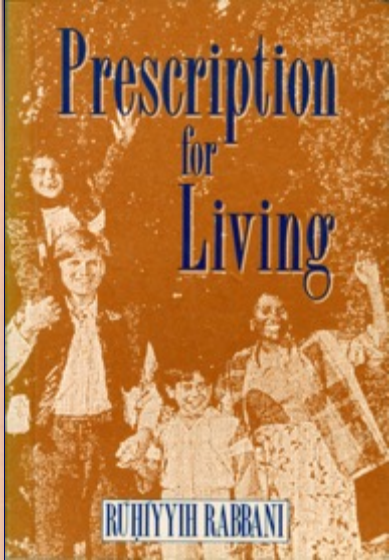
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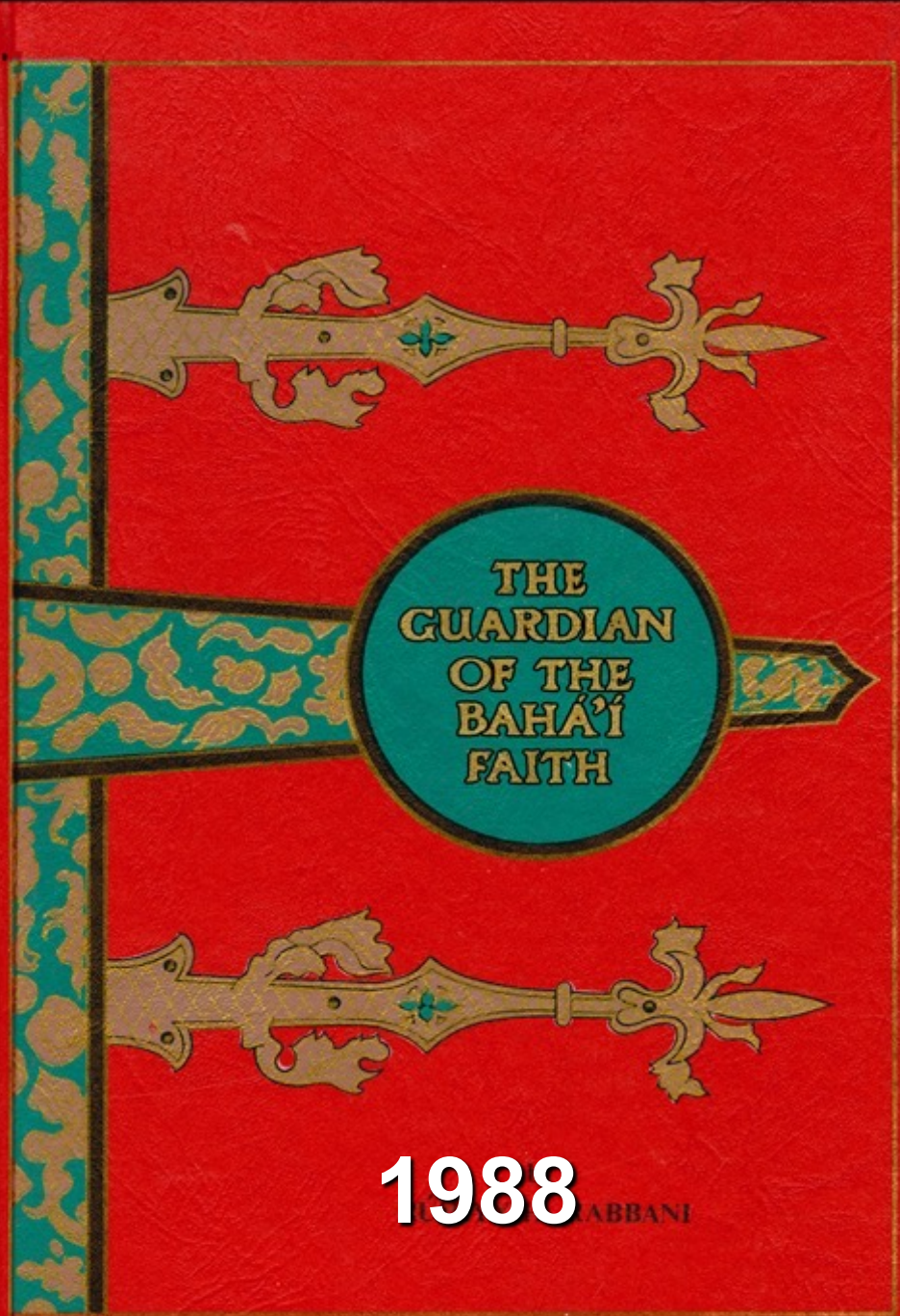
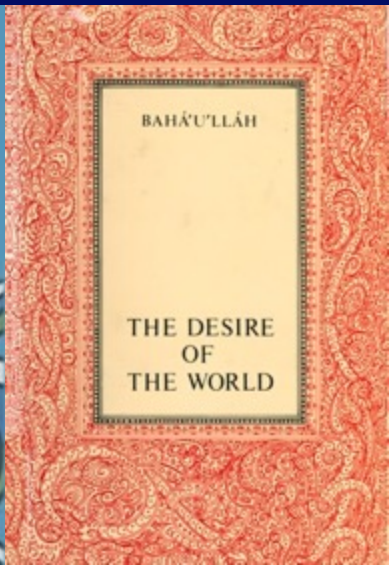


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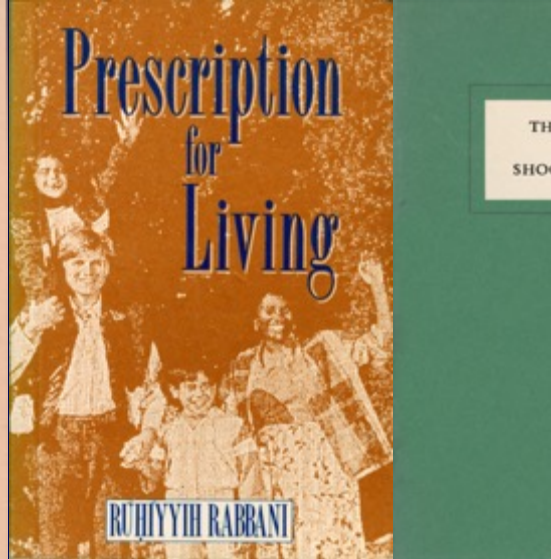
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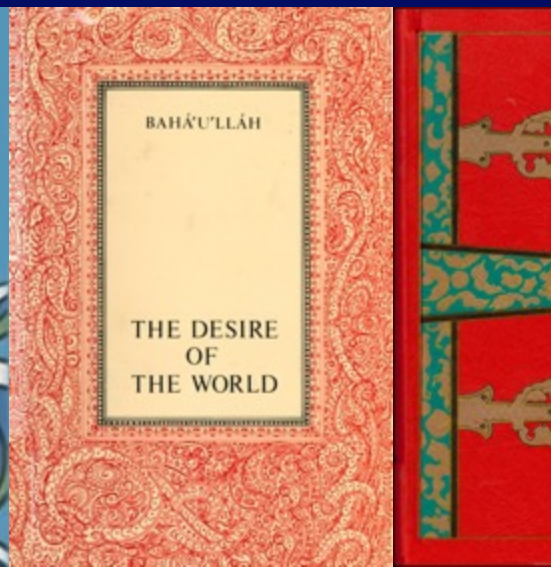
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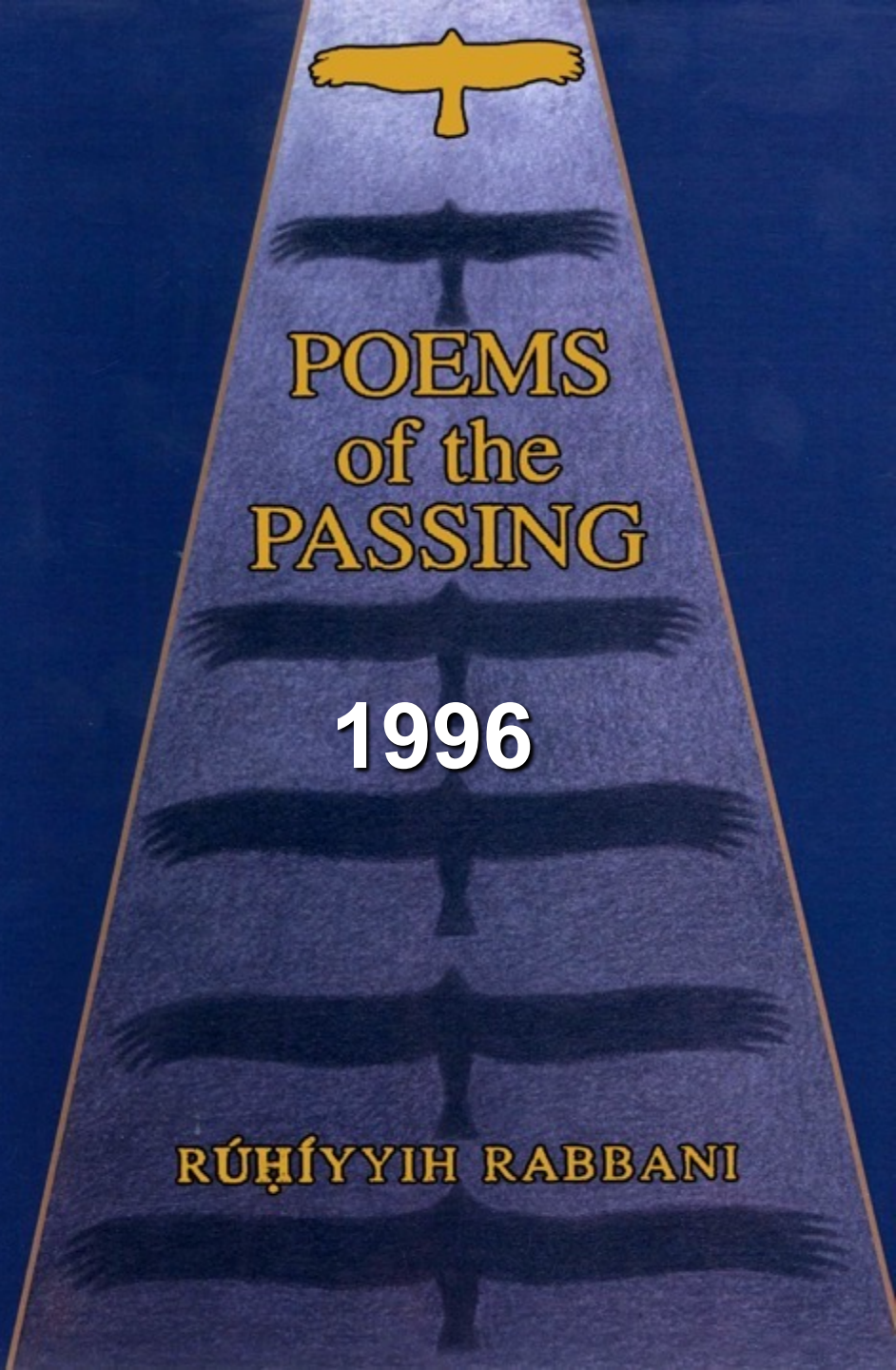
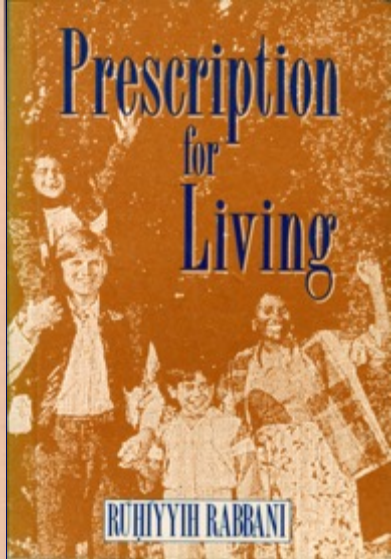
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by
The Hand of the Cause
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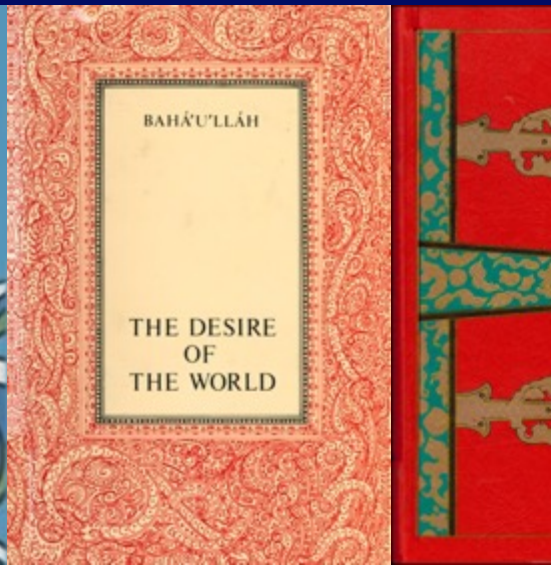
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On June 13, 1965 the ABC Network made available to its local radio stations a 24-minute panel program on the Bahá'í Faith. The Bahá'ís appearing on the panel were Hand of the Cause Mr. William Sears, Dr. Farz Kader, Mrs. Margaret Heard, Mrs. Florence Mayberry and Dr. Daniel Jordan. A taped reproduction of this very well received program is now available *only* in Baha'is for use in fireside meetings. It must *not* be used in radio programs.

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Filmmaker

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