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C O P Y

SPECIFIC INSTRUCTIONS FOR FRANCE RECEIVED FROM THE
GUARDIAN BETWEEN APRIL 15 and APRIL 23, 1957-HAIFA.

by Alice Dudley

Americans in France must establish Administrative Order in France. The French believers are not strong enough to do it. More Americans must come to France and Americans ~~now~~ in France must not leave.

The Guardian said Orleans must do extension teaching work in the Chateau country, to the west and to the north. He said that Blois and Tours were very important.

Chateauroux was to do extension teaching work south to meet with Lyon.

Paris is to do extension teaching work to the north.

One evening at table, The Guardian asked Mr. Long of England if the British National Convention would be held in the Hazirain London. Mr. Long said "no", in a hotel. The Guardian replied that that was an excellent reason and then he turned to me and said, "Has France outgrown its Hazira?"

The Guardian said that after our NSA was formed next year, France would have its own 5 year plan. In that plan, one of the objectives would be to acquire a Temple site on the banks of the Seine near Paris. (S.E. said temple sites would be acquired on all historic rivers) (in other countries).

The Guardian said the progress of the Faith was very slow in Eastern and Western France as in comparison to the South and North. Ruhiiyyih Khanum said we must teach the Faith to the French by showing a great deal of love for them.

The Guardian said an Assembly should always be formed in 9 Baha'is were in a city even if it were known that some would be leaving. We should have faith in maricles.

~~When Shoghi Effendi spoke of the 1000 and more telegrams he had received on the first day of Ridvan regarding the formation of Assemblies, he turned to me and said "where is the cable from Orleans?" I assured him I would send a cable to him upon my return if the Assembly had been formed. He said the NSA could be formed with only five LSA's. England had only three when it formed its NSA.~~

I asked the Guardian if he objected to France starting in to obtain her goals in advance of the Five Year Plan. And he said; "No, I don't even mind if you get your temple band ahead of the 5 Year Plan. I will give you something more spectacular to do."

Holley Bill F7

Anna Kincaid

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EXCERPTS OF NOTES TAKEN BY ALICE CUDLEY OF ORLEANS, FRANCE - during pilgrimage to Haifa, April 15th - 23rd 1957.

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qualities but because of its corruption, the same as Persia was chosen for the Revelation because they, the Persians were worse than African savages, far more barbaric. After the coming calamity, the U.S. will fulfill the prophecy of Abdul Baha that the U.S. will lead all other nations because of its suffering.

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He spoke of our statesmen from the President down, all were helpless and impotent. Also stated that we were not an altruistic nation, we were only helping other countries to save ourselves. Said submarines built by Russia will paralyze the United Kingdom, Western Europe, the Mediterranean, the Pacific and Atlantic seaboard. He stated the U.S. did not wish to coalesce with other nations - only wished to protect herself.

Speaking of love - the Americans love money, their wives, their homes, their possessions, their friends. Just as there is a decline in the value of the American dollar, there is also a decline in our morals and home life.

Spoke of the large deficit in the Fund. (Jessie Revell said we should give every month, the size of the contribution had nothing to do with it. One contribution to the International Fund was for \$1.35.)

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Notes - Alice Dudley -
April 15-23, 1957

One of the characteristics of the Guardian is his amazing memory. He has statistics of every kind pertaining to activities in all areas of the world at his finger tips and he quotes them constantly. He is especially happy over the progress of the Faith in the Pacific area. It surpasses even Africa now....He kept reiterating the goals ...progress made, which surpassed, or when they lagged.

When the Israeli court awarded the house at Bahji which had been occupied by Covenant Breakers, to the Bahá'is - that very same day... the Guardian had the house demolished...and every portion of it carried away and inside of 4-1/2 days had created a formal garden 12-1/4 meters wide and 80 meters long. In the process of making the garden he had a row of large trees uprooted by bulldozers, raised the garden 1 meter, built roads, paths, installed lighting, made terraces, placed statuary and planted trees, flowers and shrubbery according to a design. In 4-1/2 days.

The Guardian described the uniqueness of the dome on tomb of the Bab. It is renaissance with a blending of Indian architecture.

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(Mirrored/Inverted text from reverse side of page)
After the vessel had been lightened by the J.R.B. tender "MINISTRO PERSA" the latter vessel struck the "ARISTON" in the starboard side. A joint survey was held and the damage estimated to the "ARISTON" at \$12,600.00 - or U.S. \$22,322.00. A certificate of seaworthiness has been granted recommending repairs to be carried out at the next docking. The owners of the "MINISTRO PERSA" have formally been kept responsible.

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He spoke of the Amer. Baha'i News Letter. Said it was a most uninspiring organ. It contained only agendas, programs, deaths, marriages. It is now an international bulletin but does not present news in an interesting way. Also spoke of the large deficit in the Fund. (Jessie R. said we should give every month, the size of the contribution has nothing to do with it. One contribution to the Internl. Fund recently was for \$1.35.

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The Guardian then asked us how we enjoyed Bahje and when ~~we~~ said "I shall never be poor again" he smiled and asked me how I had slept in the mansion.

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Agnes Alexander has been appt. Hand of the Cause to replace Dr. T. The Guardian said that Dr. E. and Dr. T. were the two greatest Bahá'í writers in the west. That Abl Fazl was the greatest Bahá'í writer in the east. He thought that Dr. T's latest book "Christ & Bahá'u'lláh" exceeded Dr. E's book in greatness. Said the English should be very

proud of both of them and that we must use Dr. T's latest book because it portrays the Kingdom of God upon earth. We must tell people that it is already here but in the embryonic stage. When the Kingdom of God has flowered it will be the World Order of Bahá'u'lláh. From the WOOB we will have its fairest fruits, World Civilization, but that will not be until the next prophet appears.

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When He asked me if I had seen the Shrine of the Báb yet; I told him I had gotten up at 4:AM to see it and was he surprised that an Amer. had got up so early! He jokingly replied that it was because I was Scandinavian. He expected early rising of the English but not the Americans.

One morning Leroy Ioas drove us to see the Temple Site which is situated on the very top of Mt. Carmel about 2 miles from where the Shrine is located. The site is shaped like a peninsula, overlooking water on three sides/ The Guardian says the Shrine of the Báb is the hart of Mt. Carmel. The Guardian said that Bahá'u'lláh had stood on this site and revealed the Tablet of Carmel in such loud ringing tones that the nuns in the Carmelite Nunnery situated further below, could hear him. This site is also near the Cave of Elijah.

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30-6-56
Owing to sudden strong wind at 2.30 a.m., five air mooring ropes of "OLYMPIC VALOUR" broke and vessel drifted against "OLYMPIC BROOK" No apparent damage to "OLYMPIC VALOUR" but accommodation ladder and work boat of "OLYMPIC BROOK" and service boat belonging to shore boatmen were destroyed.

DEVELOPMENT UP NO 1 -
"OLYMPIC BROOK" - 23rd June 1956 - Struck by "OLYMPIC VALOUR" at Genoa.

QUARTERLY REPORT ON AVERAGES

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Richard Holmgren
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LETTER ATTACHED

July 28, 1957, a copy of the above notes was sent to the Guardian for verification,
by Seymour Malcin (sp ?) and Pat Gangal. The answer was as follows:

Haifa 8-30-57

Dear Baha'i Friends,

Your letter of July 28 with enclosure has been received by the Beloved Guardian
and he has instructed me to answer you on his behalf.

It is very indiscreet to let non-Baha'is see our pilgrim notes but there is
no objection to sharing them with the Baha'is. They are not the verbatim words of

A desire seems to be established before the end of this century.

the Guardian, not a dissertation on his part, but parts of a conversation as
such these notes are fairly accurate.
He appreciates your watchfulness and your desire to protect the teachings.
With warm Baha'i greeting....R. Rabani (R. Khanum) (20/1/75 Guardian)

Copied Aug. 30, 1975
by Mary Jo McLaughlin

Dear Carla,

I think it's important to understand
the added letter of R. Khanum regarding
this subject's note.

Mary Jo