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## Meredith Starr

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**ATTENDEE 1:** What happened to Meredith Starr? It seemed like from what I've read in the books, I am not sure where he came from or where he went but there very short period where he was really active.

**DELIA:** Meredith turned against Baba for various reasons.

**ATTENDEE:1** Before he came to Baba, what did he do?

**DELIA:** Oh Meredith was a poet. He was very occult. And he had extraordinary intuition because it was his feeling for Rustom, when Baba sent Rustom Irani, he was the contact from India. He sent Rustom over to England to get some boys for the school and Rustom was His [inaudible].

Meredith was introduced to Rustom and he said, "You have great power." And Rustom said, "No, I have nothing." And he said, "Well, the Master you serve I must meet because His aura has come right across the water." And he packed up and Baba gave permission for him to go there with his wife and sister-in-law and he stayed there six months and came back and founded the Center. So he did do marvelous work.

Not only that, Jean Adriel and her husband ran a bookshop in New York. Meredith was in touch with them and it was through that that Norina and Elizabeth heard of Baba. And Jean, when she was informed that Baba was coming and wanted to go to

New York was the link. She took Harmon and made it ready for Baba. All those original people in America met him there.

**ATTENDEE 1:** What happened to him?

**DELIA:** To whom?

**ATTENDEE 1:** With Meredith Starr.

**DELIA:** Meredith?

**ATTENDEE 1:** Yean, he's got that title.

**DELIA:** He left Baba. He had done the work that he had to do and he wanted to be the right-hand man the one and only, and this doesn't work. So Baba turned the key and he turned against Him.

**ATTENDEE 1:** Is Meredith Starr still alive?

**DELIA:** No, he died two years ago of a heart condition.

**ATTENDEE 2:** Delia, you describe the ashram at East Challacombe that Meredith set up as very severe. Four hours of meditation, lots of chores and things. What was it like when Baba was there? How did Baba [inaudible] 0: 0 2:33.8

**DELIA:** Meredith still insisted on the meditation going on. But Baba said we didn't need to meditate so a group of us sat upstairs with Baba all the time the others were meditating.

[Laughter]

One occasion we were just about to laugh. Baba pointed to a book and it said, *All Quiet on the Western Front*. [Laughter]

But you see Baba was so gracious, really. That was Meredith's plan and he let it go. But there weren't so many people there and afterwards He told us not to go down to East Challacombe. He said, "Don't go there again." After the second visit, Baba paid a second visit there.

**ATTENDEE 2:** In what year was that?

**DELIA:** '32. Then he stayed a week at Kitty Davy's house. That was the time when the Paramount News Reel was taken. You know you can order that.

**ATTENDEE 1:** They have that at the Center.

**ATTENDEE 3:** They do, yes.

**ATTENDEE 1:** At the Center in Myrtle Beach, they have it. I think a lot of people here have seen it.