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B. RADTKE

Nuṣayb ibn Rabāḥ (d. c.108/726)

Abū al-Hajnā' (or Abū Miḥjan) Nuṣayb ibn Rabāḥ was an Umayyad poet. He praised a number of Umayyad caliphs and officials (including 'Umar ibn 'Abd al-'Azīz) in relatively short and direct poems which reduce the role of the *nasīb* to a minimum. His imagery, however, is complex and given to expanded conceits. In love poetry he is the first to treat the grieving dove motif. The nature of this love poetry is that of *nasīb* disengaged from the *qaṣīda*; it is 'Udhri in tone but given to descriptions that echo the manner of descriptive interludes in pre-Islamic poetry.

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P.F. KENNEDY

al-Nuwayhī, Muhammad (1917–80)

Egyptian literary critic and university professor. Born in Mīt Hibaysh, a village near Tanta, al-Nuwayhī spent four years in the Department of Arabic Literature at the Egyptian University, attaching himself to Ṭāhā Ḥusayn who became his mentor. He earned his doctorate in 1942 from the University of London, securing a temporary senior lectureship there in 1943, and in 1947 moved to the Sudan, where the Gordon Memorial College was being transformed into the University of Khartoum. Al-

Nuwayhī was associated with this university until 1956, publishing three books during that period including *Thaqāfat al-nāqid al-adabī* (1949), in which he argued that the successful critic of modern Arabic literature must be well grounded in all the modern sciences, including psychology. He subsequently studied the connection between psychology and literature in *Nafsiyyat Abī Nuwās* (1953), in which he employed psychoanalysis to clarify Abū Nuwās' personality. Al-Nuwayhī soon became an influential literary critic whose ideas and methods were pioneering, though not always warmly received. One of his critics was his mentor Ṭāhā Ḥusayn, who argued that it was absurd to apply psychoanalysis to the study of ancient poets of whom we have little evidence. In 1956 al-Nuwayhī returned to Egypt, where he was given an appointment at the American University in Cairo. He was one of the most important defenders of *shi'r ḥurr* (free verse), arguing that the new form was the only way to revive Arabic poetry. In his book *Qaḍiyyat al-shi'r al-jadīd* (Cairo, 1964) he advocated a type of poetry that reflected daily life and speech; he considered that the new poetic form would prepare the way for a new type of rhythm and metre based on stress, arguing that the use of the new prosody – which he termed *al-niẓām al-nabrī* – would inject new blood into the Arabic language and preserve it from domination by the colloquial.

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R. SNIR

al-Nuwayrī, (667–732/1279–1332)

Shihāb al-Dīn Aḥmad ibn 'Abd al-Wahhāb al-Nuwayrī was an encyclopaedist. The son of a civil servant, al-Nuwayrī was born in Upper Egypt but studied in Cairo, where he distinguished himself in jurisprudence and calligraphy. He followed in his father's footsteps, serving as a financial administrator in Syria and Egypt, where he ended by having responsibility for two provinces. A change of

OBITUARY NOTICE

MOHAMED AL-NOWAIHI
[1917 - 1980]

Dr. Mohamed Al-Nowaihi, professor of Arabic Language and Literature, died in Cairo on February 13, 1980.

Dr. Nowaihi was born in Tanta on April 20, 1917. He earned his B.A. with distinction in 1939 from the Department of Arabic, Cairo University Faculty of Arts, and received his Ph.D. in Arabic Literature from the School of Oriental and African Studies (SOAS) of the University of London in 1942.

He began his career as a lecturer in Arabic at SOAS from 1939 to 1946. In 1947 he moved to Khartoum University, where he headed the Arabic Department for nine years.

Dr. Nowaihi joined the American University in Cairo as a part-time lecturer in 1957-1958, becoming an associate professor the following year. He was professor of Arabic Language and Literature from 1959 until his death, and was elected chairman of the Arabic Studies Department and director of the Center for Arabic Studies from 1973 to 1975.

In addition, he was part-time visiting professor in the Institute of Higher Arabic Studies and Research of the Arab League from 1956 to 1967, visiting professor in the Department of Near Eastern Languages and Literature of Harvard University in 1967-1968, and visiting professor in the Department of Near Eastern Studies of Princeton University in 1972-1973.

Dr. Nowaihi gained a worldwide reputation as a critical scholar and thinker in the fields of Arabic literature and Islamic thought. He was the author of ten books on classical and modern Arabic literature, including *The Psychology of Abu Nawas*, *Trends in Sudanese Poetry*, and *Pre-Islamic Poetry*.

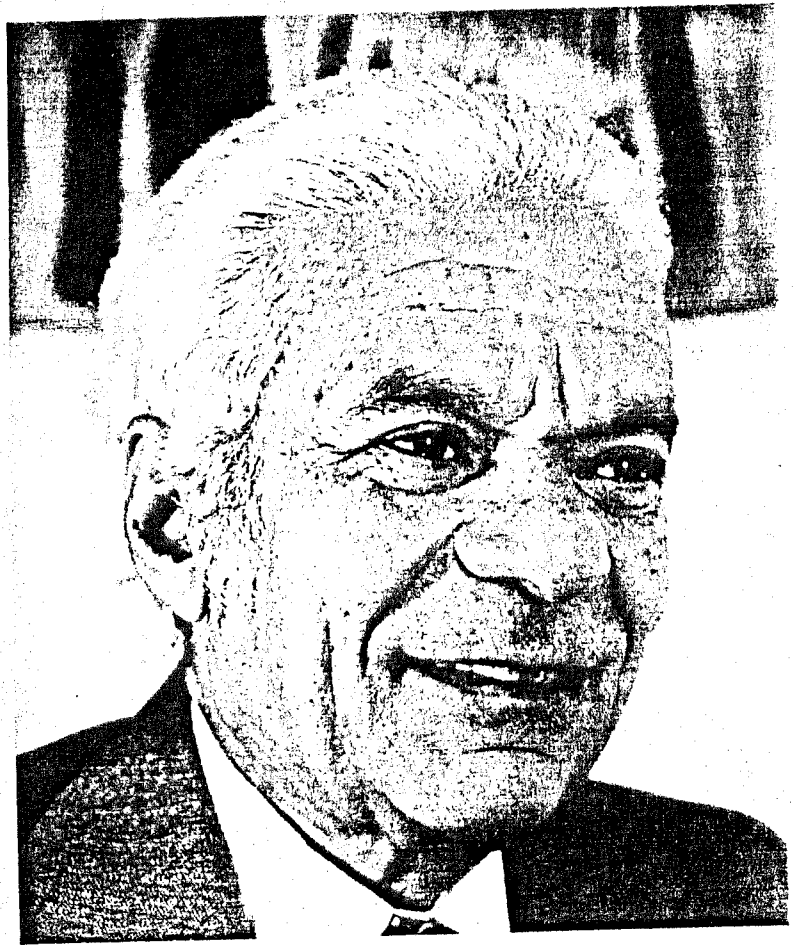
He also wrote over 100 articles on religious, moral, intellectual and literary issues. They were often rather controversial and, as a result, beginning in 1965, his lengthy essays were published in the Lebanese monthly, *Al-Adab*.

Dr. Nowaihi also published many conference and colloquium papers, gave numerous public lectures, and was frequently consulted by the Arab and Western media.

Dr. Nowaihi is survived by his widow; his son Ali, a professor of mathematics at Chelsea University; a daughter Magda, an AUC graduate (1977) and doctoral candidate at Harvard; and sons, Omar and Hisham, students at Cairo University.

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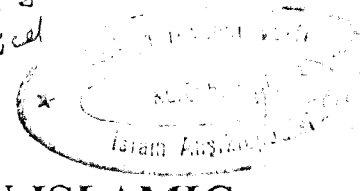
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The family of Professor al-Nowaihi—particularly his widow and his daughter Magda (the latter while a doctoral candidate in Arabic and comparative literature at Harvard University)—cooperated and assisted in the tasks of collecting biographical data and of establishing a selective bibliography of compositions and publications. Dr. I. Hardello, Dean of Arts at Khartoum University, as well as Mr. Colin Moore and Mr. Geoffrey Schofield, both of London University School of Oriental and African Studies, also kindly provided bibliographical information.



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To the memory of Mohamed al-Nowaihi this volume thus represents the once separate, now integrated tributes of a large and varied congregation.

A. H. GREEN
Cairo, 1983

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