



ANTMAN, Fred; Eva

Fred and Eva Antman were born in Germany and later moved to Shanghai in the 1930s, fleeing anti-Semitism in Europe. Fred temporarily stayed at The Peninsula Hong Kong en route to Australia after WWII, while Eva attended the Kadoorie School in Shanghai and re-joined Fred in Australia. The couple married in 1953.

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Fred Antman narrates his childhood in Germany and the growing anti-Semitic ideas that resulted in his move to Shanghai in the 1930s. Also discusses the history and livelihoods of European Jews in Shanghai during the Japanese occupation; and the assistance they received from Sir Horace Kadoorie. Recounts his brief stay in Hong Kong en route to Australia and his accommodation at The Peninsula.

Eva Antman describes her move to Shanghai and her school days at Shanghai Jewish Youth Association Centre and the school built by Horace Kadoorie. Narrates her journey to Australia and subsequent happy married life with Fred.

Interviewer: Fanny lu

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