

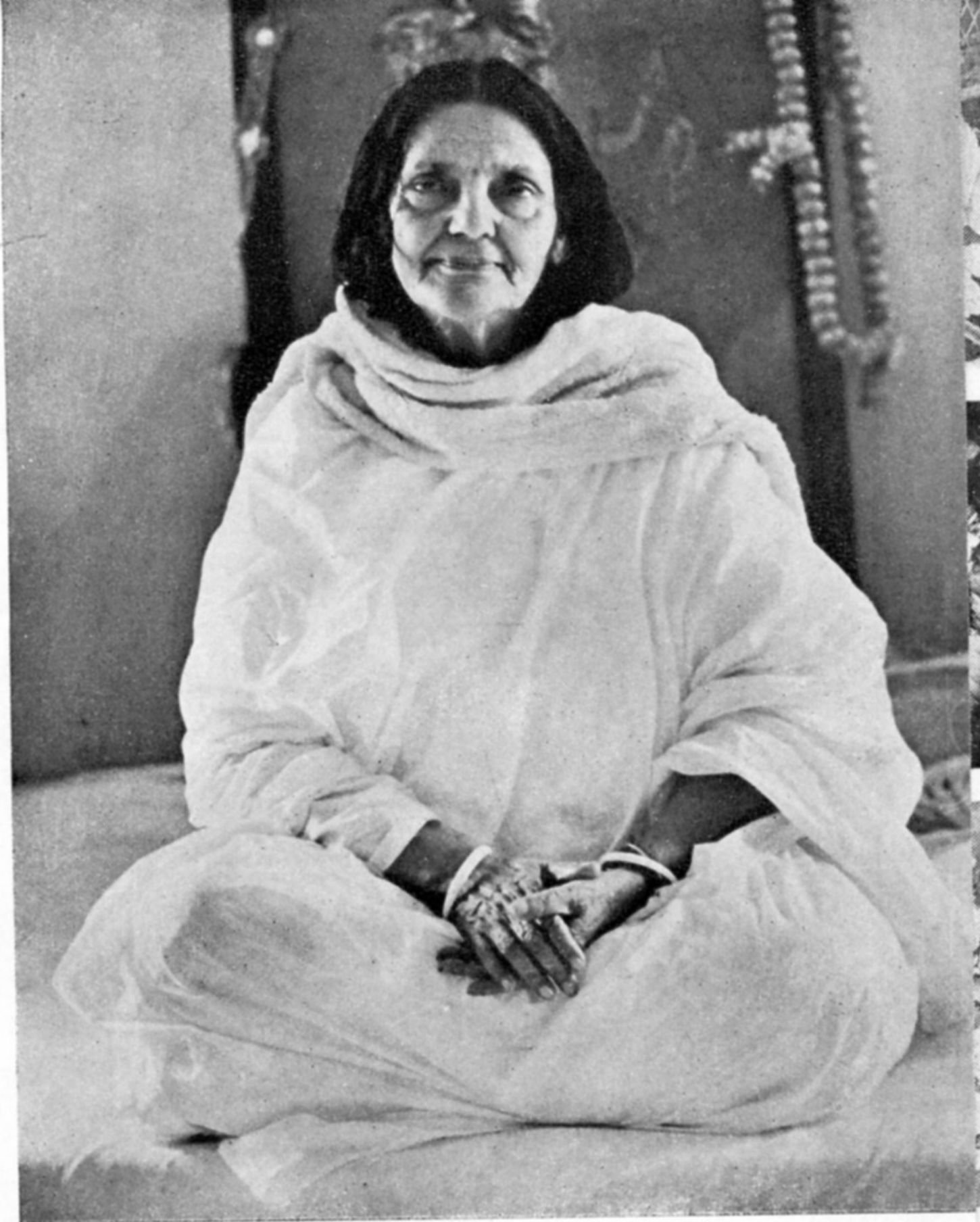
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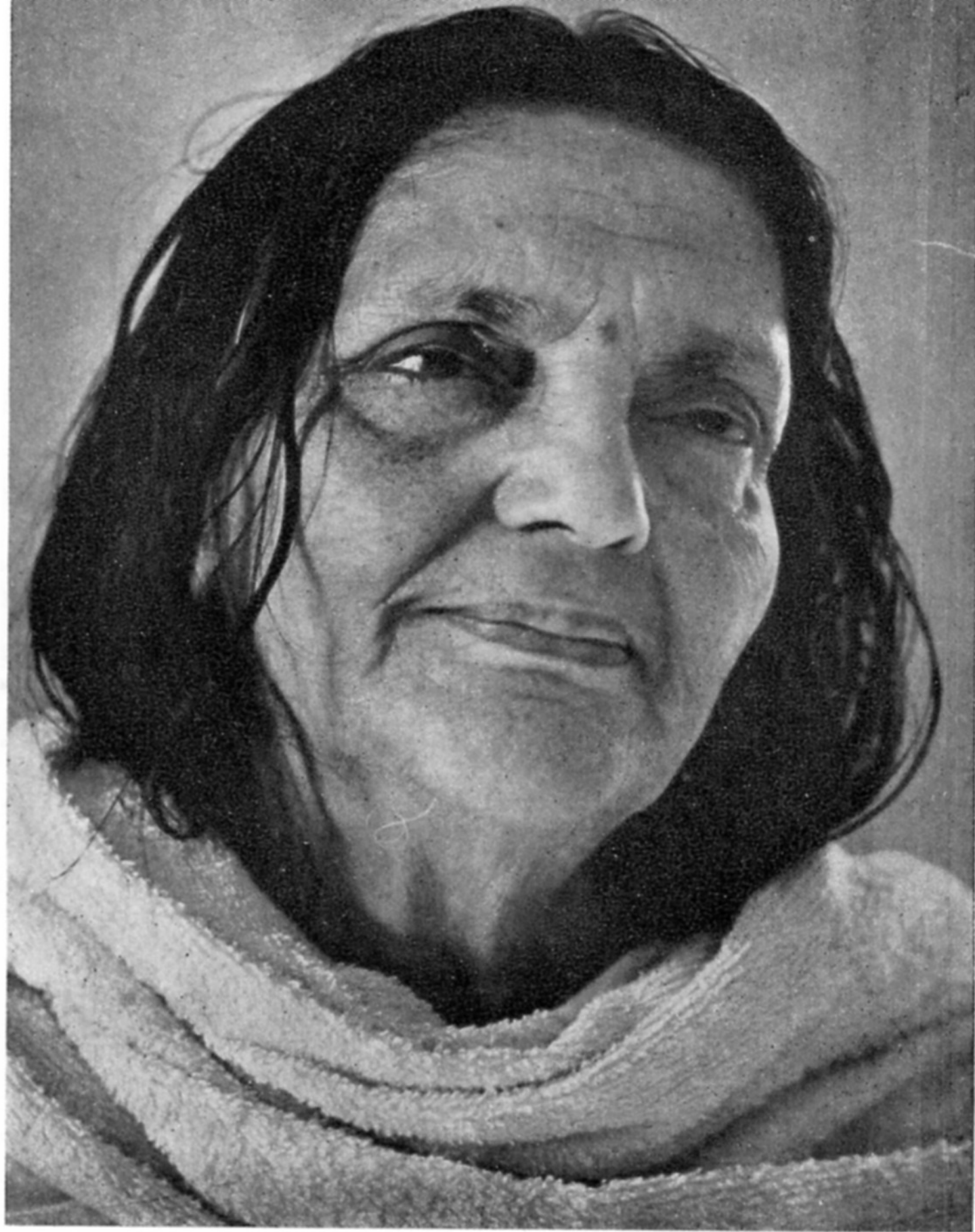
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Do as much as ever lies in your power. By using energy again and again with perseverance, the necessary action (*kriyā*) will materialize. A person who studies has a somewhat distinguished manner of speaking. Similarly, by treading the spiritual path persistently, power is developed. On this pilgrimage whatever has to be relinquished will fall away and gradually the Eternal, Truth, Knowledge and Freedom will manifest. Ever keep your gaze fixed on the goal, just as an archer aims his arrow straight at the target. If you are a *bhakta* sink your I in the "Thou"; and if you proceed by the path of Self-enquiry, let the "you" be drowned in the "I".

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When rice is boiled in a vessel, pressure is generated by which the lid opens of itself. There is no need to use force. Likewise apply all the energy you possess to your task and He Himself will do the rest. By the keen sense of want of the divine presence, a desperate

