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INDEPENDENT SCIENTOLOGISTS IN SUNDERLAND

You may remember the whispers that were travelling around the UK in 1978. Apparently a group in Sunderland were selling more copies of DMSMH than any of the UK orgs. It will interest you to know that those same people, who began the very successful Sunderland Mission, are the founders of ISIS - Independent Scientologists In Sunderland.

In October of 1983 Bov Allen resigned from the CofS. Shortly thereafter Mick and Val Alpin (who were the first Scientologists in Sunderland), and Iris Palfreyman, joined her. Gavin Stott, who'd been closely involved with the East Grinstead Independents, moved back to Sunderland. Peter and Cynthia Impey soon became involved.

By last Christmas more and more comm-lines were opening up again. Gradually word was spreading. The rc 'zation came about that leaving the CofS not o. didn't prevent the use of the Tech, but actually put it back into use! The Church's prop-aganda about the "Sunderland squirrels" started to look ridiculous.

From there the movement snow-balled. George Fearon, who'd been the Executive Director of Sunderland org, and Diana Fearon, a veteran of the Public Divisions left the CofS, along with Kate and Arthur McNulty - also long-serving staff members. Lynne Holland, who'd been the Assistant Guardian, resigned from the Department of Official Affairs, and the CofS. Her husband Dave left staff too. He'd been the Deputy FBO, and another of the Sunderland "originals". Then Rob Walsh and Joanne Lindsay jumped off the fence.

Those who created Scientology in Sunderland in the first place continue to do so. Their purpose was not in any way thwarted, or blunted, through resigning from the CofS. In fact, their purpose was revitalised! Their wins and successes have been incredible.

Amongst their numbers they have most of the Tech trained people in the area. George is a Class 4. Mick is Class 2, and a NED auditor. Mick and Val are Class 2 and 3 respectively. Iris is Class 0. Run is Class 2. Bov is a NED auditor & C/S, a Purif C/S, and Class 0. Kate is an interned Course Supervisor. George has been the ED of the New delivery group since its formation in the Spring.

If you've been watching the Candacraig Graduates lists you'll know that the members of ISIS have also been moving up the levels above Clear - the Advanced Ability levels. You can contact ISIS via Bov Allen at: 14 Hunter Terrace, Sunderland.

NEWS FROM CANDACRAIG

Robin Scott tells us that they've had another happy and busy month at their Advanced Ability Centre. There have been as many as fifteen people staying at any one time, and that's not counting week-end visitors. Robin says that their most knotty problem has been finding extra beds (He says he's not complaining though!). The completions and success stories in this issue attest to how pleased Candacraig's public are.

Robin also puts forward the theory that Candacraig may well be the friendliest place in the world. There's only one way to find out, and we recommend that you do (I hear that the cuisine is very good too). At the moment they have a couple from Canada there, both of whom have just started on AA3. There

LRH

"An auditor's tendency is to look for wrongnesses. He is always trying to find something wrong with the pc. That's the nature of Scientology; we assume that there is something wrong with somebody otherwise he wouldn't be here and be dead in his head, and he would be capable of doing a great deal more than he is doing at the particular moment."

"An individual is basically and routinely good, capable of many actions and considerable power."

"In the state of a Free Thetan or Native State he is a far more powerful individual than when he's been complicated up."

"It's the idea of the additive data to the Thetan. Try to give somebody something he doesn't want and you are going to overthrow his power of choice. His power of choice is the only thing that he had to begin with, which gave him power capability and anything else and that power of choice has been consistently and continuously overthrown by giving him things he didn't want and taking away from him things he didn't want to get rid of back and forth. You get the individual pretty overwhelmed and he goes down in power..."

"Because we are in the business of deleting wrongnesses from the individual we seldom look at rightnesses and that's what's wrong with most auditors ... If they don't look at the rightnesses that are present, then they aren't appreciating the degrees of truth that are present that can be promoted into more truth."

"In other words they are starting at a level of no truth present all the time so of course they never make any forward progress..."

"You are trying to get a right being, therefore if you don't continually encourage right beingness you never wind up with a right being..."

HCOB 23 May 71R, "Recognition of Rightness of the Being". (Taken from the tape "Good Indicators", 7 Jan 64).

are also public from Europe taking services, and their first American customer will arrive this month.

As far as we know Candacraig is the only Independent Centre which offers a complete environment. The surroundings, and the house itself are remarkably beautiful, and provide a setting in which you can concentrate on the Tech. Many people are taking advantage of this. Since February there have been 25 AA5 completions, and 30 AA3 completions at Candacraig. Robin and Adrienne wish to encourage anyone who is thinking of joining them for Christmas or the New Year. If you are, please contact them as soon as possible. They'll give you a warm welcome!

LRH: 1st Philadelphia Doctorate Course lecture.

"I'm asking you to look at this subject through my eyes. There are two subjects here that I'm going to be talking to you about, just two, and one is 'Scientology, a precise science of universes and beings therein or beings who make universes'. Now that's one subject. And then there's Hubbard's opinion of this subject'. And boy, I got some wild opinions! You ought to hear them sometime! ... Take it as amusing, or evaluate by it, or throw it away, or anything. It doesn't have anything really to do with Scientology."



EDITORIAL

Okay, I admit it, Reconnection 8 sank to a new low in Editorial annoyance. I went over the top. Let me re-phrase a little. There had been an accumulation of petty disagreements between what became the two sides of the Reconnection dispute. I should simply have pointed out the errors in Reconnection 7, and put forward an apology for the chain letter.

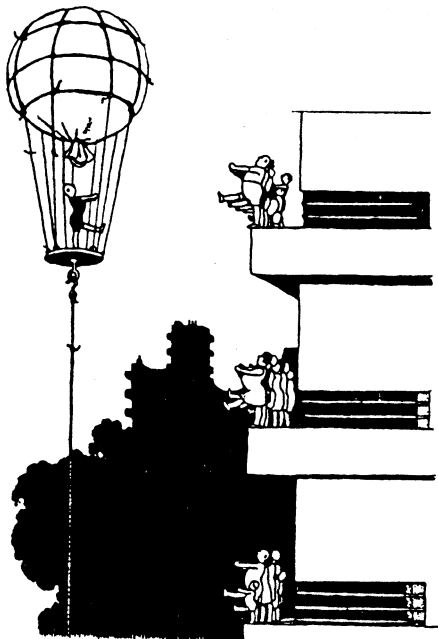
Malcolm McPherson was largely responsible for both 7 and the Chain letter. As you'll see from the Roll-back article in Recon 8, Malcolm has been a major contributor to the Independents (He's also been auditing and C/Sing, and has made many other contributions). He put out the Chain letter with the honest intention of making a little money for Reconnection, and as a clever method of dissemination. He realizes that it wasn't a good idea to put it out in Recon, and apologises for it.

After a couple of weeks of warfare we all sat down, and discovered that none of us had the complete picture of what had actually happened. There were all manner of accusations flying around (on both sides), none of which have proved to be true. In short we've managed to reconcile our differences.

Martin and Malcolm are happy that Gary Earle is now the over-all manager of Reconnection. I've agreed to help Gary out, though he bears the responsibility for the final content of Reconnection. At the moment I'm the Editor, but Gary has the last word over what goes in (as he did with Recon 8).

We've all had a lot to do with the creation of the Independent movement in Britain. I hope that this clarifies the situation, and handles any BPC occasioned. It only remains for me to apologise once more for my last editorial. Once more real Ethics prevail, and the situation is handled. Sorry!

Jon Attack.



GROUP
PROCESSING?

SIGNING THE PLEDGE

On October the 9th a host of Church luminaries gathered at St Hill to sign the "Pledge to Mankind". Amongst them were Heber Jentsch, David Miscavige, Vicki Aznaran, Warren McShane and Lyman Spurlock. The whole of the Pledge needs to be seen to get the full flavour, but here are two of the statements it makes:

"We have been subjected to illegal heresy trials in two countries before prejudiced and malinformed judges who are not qualified or inclined to perceive the truth.

"In Canada and Germany, our Churches have been subjected to vicious raids reminiscent of the historical genocide attacks on religions that took place in 'less informed' times and societies."

These statements speak for themselves, so we make no comment upon them. Subsequently there was a large event at St Hill where their public joined the "International Association of Scientologists". This new body has a membership fee of \$300, or £250 per year. We understand that to take services in the Church it is necessary to have a valid membership.

An alarming aspect of the membership form is undertaking to support the "dismantling of any groups or organizations which have as their purpose to prevent Scientology and freedom for Mankind." This is fine, unless of course it means the dismantling of the Canadian and German governments, and the legislature of the two countries mentioned in the "Pledge". It is also possible that some Church members still think that the Independents are trying to prevent Scientology. Will they ever learn?



NO TROUBLE AT MILL

Two hundred Independents from around the UK gathered at Dunning Mill, East Grinstead, on Saturday 13 October in order to celebrate their first anniversary. The occasion was sponsored by the AAC East Grinstead.

There were no set pieces and no set audience; organization remained unobtrusive. Apart from the sale of raffle tickets to raise money for the legal fund, no money changed hands. It was not an "event" but a happening - dedicated to the goals of fun and frivolity.

People chatted, ate, drank and danced to the sound of the Independents' very own Electric Rock, Heavy Metal, Progressive, Traditional, Country and Western, Calypso Combo who refused to display any slavish subservience to an arbitrary musical style. The human mind and body were pushed to the limit by those taking part in various competitions involving mental and physical agility. The East Grinstead Limbo dancing record was shattered.

At the end, Ron Lawley proposed the Toast and acknowledged the efforts of all those who had contributed to the Independent movement during the past year. His deft combination of Churchillian oratory and Harpo Marx delivery drew thunderous applause.

All present appeared to be in agreement on at least one thing: there should be more of this.

John Ablett

I WAS JUST ASKING....

A question I have put to others in 'the field' over 10! these many years, is: what is the comparable datum to Scientology?

'And answer there came none.' Of course, if *I could have* sat around for the comm-lag to flatten, something *might well* have turned up, but .. what I think might have been a fair stab at an answer would have been 'Buddhism', but in fact I don't recall getting that either. In *any* event, *Any* reason for bringing this up now is not therapeutic but existential. What I am really Asking is: IS it possible for Scientologists to exteriorize - freely and at will, that is - from the subject? Because if it is NOT, then I think we have here, right in front of us, the reason why we have all these anguishings about 'how could it have gone so wrong'? If people aren't exteriorized from a subject, they are not pan-determined about it: if they are not pan-determined about it, it will, sooner or later, turn round and dump on them. Not necessarily out of malice, you understand, just because of the law of elasticity of flow...

A personal reminiscence of LRH. He was sitting in the main room of his then house in St John's Wood - this was about a year after he first arrived in the UK - lecturing to about fifty of us. Some bright spark at the back of the room 'd up, apropos some statement Ron had just made ,erning a practice of his: "Well, that doesn't sound very Scientological".

Ron looked at the fellow, "Listen," he said, "I formulated Scientology. I write books about it. I lecture about it. Do you really expect me to PRACTISE it as well?" Collapse of stout party...

Of course, you could say this was just another of Ron's inimitable throwaway lines. In fact, though, he was making -covertly, if you like -- the highly important statement that he was pan-determined to Scientology. In the same sense, Marx is on record as saying, "I am not a Marxist". And here comes our moral. Looking at Marxism as it is today, in all its countless variants, is it not clear as daylight that, were Marx to emerge from his grave, he would repudiate them one and all, right on the spot? And is it not equally clear that unless someone can REALLY answer my question about 'what is the comparable datum', then general public understanding of Scientology will be as clear as midnight from now on out? and that twenty years from now 'Scientology' may resemble neither the Church as it was when LRH actually ran it, nor any of the variants now promising to develop.

I don't want to be misunderstood on this issue. Whether one ers those early years before 'the Orgs' really got i.. med up, or those years when they were firmed up, or the days of recent oppression, or the current free-for-all -- all this will depend on one's own psychology. What I am saying is that, whichever set-up a person prefers, he is unlikely to really understand that set-up if he is too closely interiorised into it.

Well, what does one need to get exteriorized? I suspect it is something a lot of people haven't got, because, reading between the lines in a lot of recent material on general-public lines -such as THE COPENHAGEN CORNER - I get the feeling that the writers have never made any close study of comparable developments in, say, Buddhism, the Catholic



Church, the early Egyptian or Chinese religions etc. That is to say that they have, in their understanding - or misunderstanding - of Scientology, a rather severe case of THE ONLY ONE.

I ought to put it on record that I am as guilty as anyone in this respect - perhaps more so, as I nursed these suspicions for many years while working for Orgs, whereas, as became clear from my talks with others there, such considerations had never occurred to them. Historical comparisons and differentiations were to them either totally unimportant or else something they could get around to 'after Clearing'... Well, the considerations had certainly occurred to me. But mention of them never earned me anything more than odd looks, or chits for Dev-T. Really, I should have known that where there is no sense of humour there is no sound judgement either.. but I didn't. So, as I say, I was myself at fault. Which is really, I suppose, why I am writing this: the least I can do is to pass on to others the suggestion that Scientology can not be understood apart from its context, no more than any other subject, and that, to understand the context one has to study something other than Scientology... After which, of course, one can really get back to it.

I beg your pardon? What IS the comparable datum to Scientology? God bless my soul! How could you ask such a question? Don't you realize that the question, properly flattened, is a oneshot clearing operation? Oh, you didn't? Well, never mind - just take a look around 'the room if you would. Have you got an environment? You have? Fine... well, here comes the question:

What is the comparable datum to Scientology.

George Hay

We'd appreciate your comments.





ATAK TALKS

THE BRIDGE OVER THE RIDGE

In the Summer of 1983 an anonymous hand penned an article which came to many British Scientologists as the first warning that there was something terribly wrong with the CofS. Most copies of this were probably destroyed or sent to HCO. Only a few people were willing to risk their Bridge at that time, and anyway the whole thing seemed too far-fetched, and surely LRH would sort it all out soon?

In September of 1983 four East Grinstead Scientologists, believing quite rightly it would seem that LRH was not going to intercede, broke the Church's greatest taboo and began to audit without the Church's endorsement. In October nearly seventy worried people met to listen to Bill Robertson and John Caban inveighing against the Church. The meeting was at the Crown Hotel in East Grinstead, in the heartland of British Scientology. Bill showed a video of David Mayo's newly opened Advanced Ability Center in Santa Barbara. Robin Scott at that time was preparing the most beautiful environment possible for the delivery of Scientology.

A year has passed. The rebellion has been successful. The Tech is being delivered at a fraction of Church prices, in the most ARCful atmosphere it has ever known. In a year we have set up the most effective network of Scientology centres Britain has ever seen. The Bridge has become truly available for the first time in years. Those great bogeymen - the Press and the Courts - accept our help in pointing out the corruption of the CofS, without infringing upon our right to practice Scientology. Justice Latey effectively stopped the Church's harassment of British Independents. All of the RTC's noisy threats about denial of the Bridge and the consequences of violating their "ownership" of the Tech have amounted to precisely nothing.

The Independents are probably in the majority in Britain - the first country to achieve this! So we can afford to take a more caring look at the fate of those still enmeshed in the Church. They need our help as the Church struggles into its final decay. More than this we need to turn our attention towards connecting up with society; finding more and better ways of giving our knowledge to them, with the single object that it be used for the benefit of man - not to increase our control via GO type front groups, and not out of a paranoid fear of our fellow man. The future bodes very well. We have learned many valuable lessons - not least of which the value of Integrity. Take a win!

BUDDHA TALKS!

"Believe nothing on the faith of traditions, even though they have been held in honour for many generations, in many places. Do not believe a thing because many people speak of it. Do not believe on the faith of the sages of the past. Do not believe what you yourself have imagined, persuading yourself that a god inspires you. Believe nothing on the sole authority of your masters or priests. After examination, believe what you yourself have tested and found to be rational, and conform your conduct thereto." Buddha, in the Kalama Sutta.

THAT'S A GOOD ONE!

Is Scientology a serious subject? The last few years have certainly made it seem so. What with the "Joking & Degrading Bulletin", and then such gems as the Flag Order "Denigration of the Sea Org a High Crime". The antics of the RTC haven't been very amusing either. Time to take a new look at it all. Well, when I say new... will July 1954 do?

"As a person becomes unable to recognize the Is-ness of things he can't get jokes any more. Every datum that comes in must have a significance. It never occurs to him that it doesn't have a significance... This accounts for the badly jammed facsimile bank of an individual, particularly when that facsimile bank is badly jammed." LRH, The Phoenix Lectures.

CHARITY

"Though I speak with the tongues of men and of angels, and have not charity, I am become as sounding brass, or a tinkling cymbal. And though I have the gift of prophecy, and understand all mysteries, and all knowledge; and though I have all faith, so that I could remove mountains, and have charity, I am nothing." (1 Corinthians 13)

When the translator of this passage in the King James bible did his work the word "charity" had a slightly different meaning from the one it has today. It might be better defined as compassion.

A strong feature of many religions is the emphasis laid upon Compassion. To Christian, Sufi and Buddhist alike no wisdom can be achieved without Compassion. Does this begin to sound familiar? In Scientology we use different words, but we have exactly this concept. You cannot raise Understanding (or wisdom), without also raising Affinity (or compassion).

Indeed, the purpose of Scientology is to raise a person's Affinity or Tone level. At the top of the Tone Scale would be total ARC - total compassion. It is all too easy to lose sight of this, and start "thinking in" the rather lower scale attitudes of "no-sympathy" and "unreasonableness". It is easy to think of those who are losing as simply "victims". But according to LRH: "One of the most notably lacking qualities in the unsuccessful auditor is charity... Mercy, charity, kindness are qualities which are not low scale. They are the highest and kindest qualities there are. And an auditor should never forget them." ("Straightwire", p.237 Tech vol 2)

The most basic elements of the Auditor's Code, the refusal to invalidate or evaluate, are in fact a very great statement of this compassionate attitude. Why do you audit someone? "Auditing consists of DISCOVERING a spark of ARC and, by processes AND ARC fanning it into a proud flame." LRH ("With ARC", p.247, Tech vol 2).

THE PRICE OF FREEDOM

A few days ago I received an "I want to go OT club" price list. It now costs £63,390 to go from Sol, part 2 to the first six months of Solo Nots. This is the absolute rock bottom price (with 40% discount!). Compare this to the price for Solo 2 AA7 (including 6 months of C/Sing on AA7, and on pay as you go basis) at one of the UK Independent::: £5,630. That allows for 25 hours of set-ups for Advanced Ability Levels; 12.5 hours of AA4; and 50 hours of AA5 (which is rather a lot - Independent: don't grind through levels!). What's more the Independent centre whose prices I've quoted hasn't put its prices up this year!

Take your pick!

THE SURVEY

Not all of our 2000 or so readers answered the Survey in Reconnection 8. I can't tell you how glad I am. We had enough trouble tabulating those we did get. The most popular Reconnection seems to have been number 8 (possibly because people were to lazy to spend 5 hours re-reading the others!). Something strange must be going on, because the most popular feature was "Attack Talks!". My ingratiating threats obviously worked. If I received a salary now would be a good time to ask for a raise (Gary would probably throw me out, and have Julian Bell write it instead).

Articles on the UK Independents came in a vote behind, so if you are a UK Independent PLEASE send us an article (We print everything we can of these. You don't even have to be particularly literary, just give us the information). Then came articles on the CofS now (see subscription data about our new mailing policy). Then humorous articles (which explains the levity with which I'm trying to write this). Then controversial articles. Unfortunately I don't really know what I meant by "controversial articles" when I wrote the Survey, so if someone could explain... Cartoons and letters were also popular.

I was relieved that only one person ticked "pig-farming in Wiltshire", as I know nothing about it. The prize for most intelligent reply goes to the anonymous person who answered the question, "Is there anything that you've disliked?", by saying "Surveys".

SUBSCRIPTIONS - SUBSCRIPTIONS - SUBSCRIPTIONS

Reconnection has completed its first year of publication, despite everything! Our subscription is on a yearly basis, so if you paid your money for 1984 you're entitled to issues 1-10. Issue 11 will go out in January 1985 and begin a new subscription year. The January issue will go only to subscribers, and from January issues will alternate between Special (subscribers only) and Regular (whole mailing list) issues. The Special issues will deal with the more sensitive information, giving a more detailed account of events. They will also be a forum for many points of view, as well as retaining Reconnection's position as the foremost news magazine in the Independents. Regular issues will continue as they have been, but with more emphasis new public.

The subscription rate (which guarantees copies of both Special & Regular issues for 1985), will be £12 for Britain & Eire; £16 for Europe; and £20 for anywhere else. Cheques must be in Sterling and made payable to "Reconnection".

A subscription not only guarantees your receipt of Reconnection Special, but also ensures that the 2000 or so people who receive Reconnection all over the world will continue to do so.

Back issues are still available. Send in your 1984 subscription to receive them, and while you're about it send in your 1985 subscription!

PARALLELS

"Parallels" is a new feature in which we'll look at ideas which have some similarity to Scientology. Some of these may have come from Scientology, others will have been independently developed. Some will be ideas that LRH drew upon in the development of DILL, others, though perhaps pre Scientology, LRH probably won't have been aware of.

In future issues we'll look at systems that LRH said he'd studied. For example the Pacific island system of Magic, Huna (or "the Secret"), which bears some striking resemblances to Dianetic and Scientology theory. We'll also look at Tibetan Huddhism, and at an American psychotherapy which included what we call the runnina of the Rirth

Engram, that was published by Dr Nandor Fodor in 1949.

This month a short note on the E-meter. The following quotation comes from Barbara Brown's "Supermind", published by Bantam Books in 1983:

"Nothing, perhaps, is a more poignant testimonial to the disregard of science for creative insights into the nature of man than the blindness of psychophysiology to the original observations by C.G.Jung about the body's ability to reveal the unconscious mind. It was in 1904 that Jung reported his experiments with recordings of the skin's electrical activity, while conducting psychological interviews. Using an old-fashioned galvanometer, he found the electrical activity in the skin changed specifically and dramatically when he asked questions that penetrated the hidden emotions of his patients. He is reported to have exclaimed, 'Aha, a looking glass into the unconscious!'"

If you know of a "parallel", please send in a photocopy of the relevant passage. Don't forget to copy the book's title page, so that we have the publication details! More space will be devoted to "Parallels" in the Special Reconnections.

US TAX CASE UPDATE

In Reconnection 8 we reported the Church's loss of a US tax case. Here are some of the details:

Tax-exempt status was denied to the California CofS by the US Tax Court in Washington. The court announced its ruling in a 222 page decision, and required that the Church pay \$1.4 million in back taxes and penalties for the period 1970-1972. The decision states that the CofS had "conspired for almost a decade to defraud the government. It states further that the Church "has diverted millions of dollars through a bogus trust fund and a sham corporation to key Scientology officials.

Church president, Heber Jentsch, claims that the Internal Revenue Service are "waging a vicious, criminally secret war against religious freedom".

The decision states: "When we consider all the facts spread across the voluminous record in this case, we are left with the inescapable conclusion that one of the petitioner's overriding purposes was to make money".

Jentsch says that the Church will appeal..



BOOK SALE

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ETHICS, JUSTICE AND BROKEN DRAMATIZATIONS

Many people have remarked that cases run better in Independent delivery groups than they did in the other organizations. Many good explanations have been stated about this and here is another which may be of some interest.

Broken Dramatisations: "The Engram with its secondaries and locks, alters behaviour by inhibiting action or thought or imagination or by causing the individual to dramatize. So long as an individual can actively dramatize an engrain, however, the engram does not become particularly charged. When the engram commands such non survival activity that the environment censures or brings further pain to the individual, that engram begins to charge up. If an engram commands an individual to walk three times around the block every morning for his health, the engrain may be effective but not troublesome so long as the individual is permitted that walk. Let him, however, move into an environment such as the army, where he is not permitted to take this "constitutional" every morning, but must stand muster instead; the dramatization is broken and, as a consequence, the action potential of the individual, is observed by his analytical mind to be cut down and the individual feels reduced in scope. When an engrain in a thief commands that he steal, he may be cheerful and happy so long as he can go on stealing; then he law may step in and jail him because he steals; this breaks the dramatization and reduces him in scope and well being."

"There are two sides to an engrain: entheta and enMEST. So long as the thought can be dramatized, the enMEST remains quiet; but when the dramatization is broken, the enMEST or physical pain turns on in an effort to force the individual to do what the engram commands.

"The individual who is under the stress of a restimulated engram will attempt to dramatise the engram. That is to say, he will say the thing contained in the engram, and he will do the things dictated by the engram, or he will make the analytical computations demanded by the engram, and he will generally comply with the dictates of this moment of physical pain. If his environment makes it impossible for him to carry out this dramatization as dictated by the charged up engram, then he is subjected to further charge by reason of not being able to do what the entheta of the engram commands him to do. An individual who has had his dramatizations broken time after time gradually descends the tone scale".

LRH, Science of Survival Book (1) 111, Book (2) 158-9 (Incidentally: the above phenomena is described in terms of engrains, the same phenomena can exist above the level of clear for different reasons).

An Ethics Policy letter of 17 Mar. 65 said: "All reactive minds can exert pain and discomfort on a being. They demand the suppression of the good and the production of the bad. Therefore in administering Justice, restrain just a TRIFLE more than a bank can compel a BAD action. The external threat need be just enough to make the internal pressure to do wrong the lesser of two discomforts. JUDGEMENT LIES IN HOW MUCH EXTERNAL RESTRAINT TO APPLY." LRH. (Emphasis is mine)

Sound policy, unfortunately, as with a lot of other policy that required judgement, it was often misapplied. What used to happen was that arbitrary rules (some written and some not) were enforced by HCOs, Ethics officers and even C/Ses. These rules often covered petty things such as 2D aberrations, tax avoidance, an individual's connections, practices and the like.

A classic example was the "2D rules" flag order, (not written by LRH and contrary to his policy by the way), which in its enforcement caused more enturbulation than it sought to handle.

The effect of this kind of arbitrary policy on SO members was either a) they continued to dramatize whatever the 2D thing was and withheld it or b) they were restrained by the very heavy enforcement, had their dramatizations broken and suffered the consequences of a charged up Bank.

Furthermore, the intention to carry out an activity dictated by an engrain versus the counter intention not to, CREATED a problem. Thus, either way, such an individual's case gain was inhibited sometimes to the point of no gain at all. Furthermore, the case then might be labelled as PTS, no case gain, no TA action, withholdy etc and became prone to offload, RPF and other nasties. In this particular example of the 2D rules F0, it was even being applied to public FCCIs when I was auditing NOTs at Flag in 1982. (A suppressed person is liable to do to others what has been done to him). HCOs and Ethics Officers sought to "make people good" and attempt to change their beingness, doingness and havingness with Ethics and Justice tech in the absence of auditing. The effect was withhold or broken dramatizations which then made any auditing much more difficult.

Also, an individual's Beingness, Doingness or Havingness was deemed to be a dramatization or aberrative when it wasn't. An example of this was "Moonlighting" by org staff members trying to survive in the face of low pay and poor havingness. This practise was frequently prevented by HCOs despite IRH policy to the contrary: "To forbid the practice of Moonlighting would be to force a staff member to blow in self defence" HCOPL 6 Oct. 84. Good intentions, when prevented, produce the same adverse case reactions described above.

Sometimes the Public PC was sent to Ethics after a confessional had revealed he was avoiding taxes. "Handling" consisted of an 7R" Factor that he must cease such activities at once as this was a continuous PT overt or some such. (Hypocrisy indeed as the Organization in the UK was bending over backwards to avoid paying VAT at the same time.)

The rightnesses and wrongnesses of these examples are not the point, and are outside the scope of this essay. The point is that arbitrary rules and evaluations about an individual's behaviour are detrimental to a case, actually worsen an individual's ability to get case gain and COGNITE on whatever he is doing wrong.

That committing continuous present time overts inhibits case gain is a basic technical fact. Organizations tended to "Correct before the fact" and looked for overts in cases that were flying.

They also CREATED Potential Overts by introducing arbitrary rules, policies and unwritten mores to which, because he was a member of the church, an individual had to subscribe. This goes right into the teeth of the purpose of auditing as it was once described as "Returning the PC's self-determinism".

A case supervisor's job is to get maximum gains for the PC or Pre OT under his supervision. Judgement is required to determine whether a PC or Pre OT's gains are being inhibited by his behaviour out of session. This judgement is not difficult to make. Does he make case gain, TA action, does he cognite? If not, and he's being actively destructive across the dynamics then some restraint would be indicated. The amount of restraint being just enough to protect his fellows and enable him to get case gain.

In the Independent field we have an understanding of all this, and I consider, a rational approach. That a person works for a chemist, is gay, contributes money to the socialist party or practices alternative medicine is no reason to MAKE them into an "Ethics case". We are interested in case gains not forcing people to be "good" and breaking dramatisations.

Steve Bisbey
Snr C/S AAC East Grinstead

INDEPENDENT CONGRESS

The much anticipated Congress did not happen. We expect a full explanation from its organizers for the next Reconnection. Apparently it ⁵ been moved forward to the Spring.



LETTERS

Dear Reconnection,

This is just to expand some of the questionnaire answers. I like Attack Talks because he makes a point, constructs what he's saying and gives facts to support it. When you ask 's your favourite feature? I think Attack Talks is the c. real feature in the paper, the rest of it is haphazard and disjointed but interesting in parts.

I wish Reconnection would be more complete in its reporting of what's going on. For example it has mentioned a lawyer called Michael Flynn a couple of times, but who is he? What has he got to do with Scientology? What was the purpose of the Gerry Armstrong case? What was it's outcome? In the most recent issue Reuben Hart mentions the third Jon Zegel tape as if everyone has heard it but I didn't even know there was a third one yet. Some of the reporting seems to assume that we know certain things already. I know a lot of people hear things from other sources. I don't so I'm left a bit in the dark about certain things. Where is LRH now? Did he have anything to do with what's been going on? In the Daily Express it said that he syphoned off Z80 million of CSI funds and he's flitting around Southern California. Is this true? According to what Reuben Hart said quite a bit has been revealed in the Gerry Armstrong case but he only mentions it briefly.

I think it's a good idea to have cartoons and humour as I think showing people the funny side of a bad situation helps them be more cause over it. All through my years in Scientology we seem to have been obliged to take it deadly sPiously and without question until it was a great relief et away from it. LRH says himself on one of the PDC es 'the minute you get serious you fail' and then he says in Keeping Scientology Working that Scientology is a deadly serious activity. How can you reconcile those two statements? How come the ED is above the HES and below the HES on the org board? Why is David Miscavige flying around in a helicopter which is a very expensive mode of transport and living in luxury when most staff can hardly afford to live? Some of the things which have been going on in the CSI just don't make sense to me. When I listened to RJ 38 I had a staff member afterwards making sure I believed it when anyone with at least half a brain could tell it was a load of nonsense from beginning to end. I'm glad that Reconnection is questioning things that have been going on in th CSI and not trying to justify and make right things which are obviously wrong. I think truth should be the stable datum for the paper as after all it is the realization of the truth which blows the mass and brings us nearer to spiritual freedom. I would dislike to see Reconnection degenerate into a load of trumpet blowing and PR like the Auditor. To me good news is only good if it's true. The exaggerated statistics and the PR lies of the CSI annoyed me and in the end I decided that a pack of liars aren't likely to lead me anywhere near spiritual freedom so I left. I've no intention of resuming gy progress up the Grade Chart until integrity and truth are restored, or perhaps they need to be put in for the first time.

Articles on other religions would be good if they were written to show parallels and relationships with Scientology. I think historical rundowns of different religions would be a waste of time as you could go to the library and get a book which would give a much more complete thesis than you could fit into Reconnection.

Another thing I would like to see in Reconnection is articles reminding us what it means to be OT. I think the bad image projected by the CSI of late seems to have obscured to some extent what the real results of Scientology should be and what we are trying to achieve with it.

Yours sincerely, John Mayor

(I'll answer some of your questions. We'll be giving more space to these matters in the Special editions next year. Michael Flynn is a Boston lawyer who first contacted Scientology in 1979, when an ex-Scientologist asked him to take on a Refund case. He claims that after he took the case on he was harassed by the Church, and so became determined to find out what was going on. He appeared in the newspapers, and was besieged by people who had some form of complaint against the Church. The Church claim that Flynn has evil motives, and has encouraged business by a systematic campaign against them. He did instigate the Clearwater Hearings in 1982 - for which see the Susan Meister article in Reconnection 8. He was Nibs lawyer in the 1983 court case. He is also Gerry Armstrong's lawyer.

The Armstrong case was filed in 1982 by the Church against Gerry Armstrong. Gerry was in the SO for 10 years, and worked closely with LRH. In January 1980 he was authorised, by LRH, to collect information for a biography of LRH, which Omar Garrison was to write. At the end of 1981 Gerry became disillusioned with Scientology and left the SO. He took copies of some 10,000 documents, which related to LRH's life, from the collection he'd furnished Omar with. The Church (and MSH who joined the suit) wanted these documents back, on the grounds that they'd been stolen, and that the "theft" also constituted an invasion of privacy. The Church lost the case last June. As far as I know the documents are still being held by the California Court. Obviously the documents do not support the accounts of LRH given by the Cofs.

Where is LRH? Pass. In hiding or dead. I've heard so many stories on this one! And of course it's the most frequently asked question. As to his involvement, or not, with the current situation, or whether he's flitting around California with £80 million - I don't know. Howard Shomer, who was the Treasury Sec of "Authors Services Incorporated" during 1982, says that over \$30 million was skimmed off the Church into LRH's accounts in Luxembourg, during his time on that post. He says that the target for Xmas 1982 was \$85 million. I've been asked the very relevant question, "but is LRH in control of those accounts?" Again, I don't know. You can get tapes (including Zegel 3, the Flynn tapes, and a tape by Nibs) from 120, Queen's Rd, East Grinstead, Sussex, RH19. JA)

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Eva Lewey, AA 2

"I ran into some quite startling phenomena while running this level, which has helped to justify all the years of ups and downs and trials and tribulations and the many, many wins connected with Scientology. And, while it became apparent that AA 3 is not the end of the road, I feel like I have just negotiated a very fast stretch of motorway! Thanks to Bob for the C/Sing, Heather the supervising, and LRH - the man who deserves a grade of understanding many harmonics above the level of criticism originating from lesser mortals."

Love, Terry Scott, AA 3

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Ron King, AA 5

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Graham is on his AA5 at Candacraig. DM is on his NOTs at Gilman Hot Springs. We would welcome some explanation of DM's recent ill-mannered behaviour.

THE DM STORY

In the last episode our intrepid villain had just arrived at St Hill, apparently as twelfth man in the proposed Outies vs Innies cricket match. As Reconnection 8 was put to bed, Carol Kanda, who was in East Grinstead, rang St Hill trying to secure an interview with Mr Miscavige. She spoke to mission-aire Kenny Seebuhl (he didn't spell it, so neither can I) who agreed to her request that DM should meet her and debrief. After 5 hours of phone calls, at about ten in the evening, Kenny Seebuhl rang to say that the meeting would be the following night ... at HAPI!

Two Independents went to HAPI to see whether DM would keep his word. The staff member who met them was far more frightened of the imminent arrival of Commander Miscavige than she was of the two Independents!

A few days later one of the Independents, Graham Forbes, received a letter which told him that he was as good as Declared. This is one of the fastest SP Declares I've heard of (I'm told that Bent Corydon's lawyer, who isn't a Scientologist, rings "International Justice Chief" regularly, plead-; for his. He feels left out!). The letter to uiaham assumes that the IJC will endorse the Declare. Further it is issued by the FBO!

Graham, who is well known not only for his robust sense of humour, but also for his guitar playing with the Incredible String Band, and Mike Heron's Reputation, couldn't resist the opportunity to write a scathing response. As Reconnection is a family magazine, we can't print it in full, but here are a few extracts:

"I had a very generous invitation for DM to visit Candacraig where he'd have received not only a very courteous reception but also absolutely first-class food. Really, I couldn't understand why you started shaking when I told you he was coming. Maybe he couldn't get a jump start for his helicopter.

"I was genuinely sorry to see how run down HAPI, scene of many a happy memory, had become. I know you'll say I'm just a sentimental old SP, but I can remember the days when HAPI was packed with public and staff. But then that was in the good old days of Standard Tech. Was it really that long ago?

Anyway, as long as my SP declare is restricted to those few remaining cult members that's fine. I would have enjoyed a comm.-ev. Just think of the witnesses I could have called! HAPI would have been busy for the first time in months. But I suppose that sort of thing is old hat. You can even get declared for going into an Org these days! I'll tell you what: instead of standing on the street handing out personality test leaflets, why not give everyone who passes an SP declare? It'll save all that time and fuss declaring them later!

"If nothing else the Church provides gainful employ for a fair number of oddballs and bean-eaters, who get their kicks dressing up in sailors' uniforms, and whose antics would not be tolerated in civilized company. Let's face it: the dole queues are long enough. There aren't exactly many openings for a Master at Arms or a Finance Dictator at the Job Centre, are there?

"I want to see the 'church' continuing, because it provides a constant example to the hundreds of independent groups of how degraded the Tech can become. Above all I'd hate to see the demise of the 'church' because I find the continuing true life drama of the escapades of Warrant Officers, Justice Chiefs, Commanders, Ethics Officers, Rehabilitation **Project Forces, Captains (RA & otherwise) and all** the other para-military nonsense hilarious. And the outfits are so much smarter than the Hare Krishnas.

"The 'church' always wanted a strong, active field. Now you've got one!

Graham."

THE WEST CASE - UPDATE

In Reconnection 5 we told you about Larry West's legal battle with the RTC. After a year that battle is finally over. Larry has come to an agreement with the RTC. Larry's agreed that he did infringe trademarks belonging to the RTC, and has agreed to refrain from doing so again. Basically he will refrain from calling the Tech he delivers "Scientology" (perhaps for the best, considering the reputation that name has acquired).

The RTC demanded \$10,000 in punitive damages for Larry's publication of LRH works. They also demanded any profits that Larry had made from the sale of such publications. They settled for \$510.

Larry says that he has returned his QT materials to the RTC. He's agreed not to use any "advanced technology" or "confidential technology" that is represented as Scientology (presumably he can use it if he doesn't represent it as Scientology).

Each side paid its own Court costs. Larry can still sell Scientology books - as published and printed by Pubs, rather than his own printings.

The whole thing seems to boil down to names. Apparently Larry can continue to deliver what he's been delivering, but under a different name. He has also issued his plans to expand the California Association of Dianetic Auditors into the International Association of Dianetic Auditors.

Reconnection would like to extend its thanks to Larry for all of his hard work over the last year.



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THE GO ELEVEN

Jane Kember will be released from prison, in California, on November the 17th. She will have served the minimum sentence of two years. Mrs Kember will be the last of the GO eleven to be released. It is presumed that she will return to England.

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To live in the Now - to the extent one is fixed, one is living in the past - to be Hilly unfixed one does not use the service facsimile as they are computations based on earlier time and not now - the only way to truly respond to Now is as a thetan minus mechanisms - hence be ye as little children - flexible approach - the older they get the more answers as to how to avoid a beating etc - the more service computations the less As Is - the less direct Thetan activity - second hand stuff Grade IV - I am alone to be, can only happen NOW.

Christopher Westby

My space feels clean, its holding it so when others are in it and that has varied so much, depending on who is *in my* space. I couldn't understand why I felt intimidated at times because I couldn't clearly see. But now I can see and I feel validated as I can hold *ny* space.

The strength of a thetan depends on his ability to hold his own position in space!!

Love, Balleen - AA 5

Of all the gains I have made so far I would say they were only the precursor of what I had always waited for - *long* lasting gains of magnitude. It puts the earlier gains *into* a perspective of an increasing gradient of allowing NOW to occur. This is where my attention had always been fixed and now I am beginning to be free to be the real me.

Here we go!

PS Thanks AAC E.G.for AA 5

John Stevens

After doing this course I feel totally confident that I can handle whatever comes up on AA 7. I feel really stable and bubbly and bright. I have had some fantastic cognitions an I thoroughly recommend the AAC East Grinstead as THE place to do it. The staff are fantastic and the place very safe. My sincere and grateful thanks to **all**, especially Joyce, ^{my} best ever supervisor, and Steve and Morag **the** two safest and trained and helpful thetans **I've** known for many a long year.

Love, Michelle Brown - AA 6

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Book Review:- Mitch Beedie
"Dark Side of the Moonies"- Erica Heftmann

Erica Heftmann leads you through her own experience as a member of the Moonies. Like other Cults, the Moonies have a closed belief system: the member gets so introverted into the system that it becomes impossible to stand outside and look at the Cult in terms other than its own. Moonies assign any negative thoughts to evil spirits which seek to turn them away from Moon's Truth; the efforts of friends or family to reason with them are Satan's attempt to destroy his faith in their Messiah.

Cult members live in total poverty, on a basic diet of a 'gruel made from beans or rice', while executives live in luxury. Moonies use 'Heavenly deception' (lying about where donations go). They run for up to twenty hours a day, fundraising; they sell a box of candy, then run to the next prospect, raising up to \$500 a day! Heftmann says that in the first two weeks, the feet and legs would ache and throb so much that you couldn't take your weight off them. Eventually they might be permanently deformed. If you couldn't walk, you'd fundraise from a wheelchair. This proved to be so profitable that whole teams used wheelchairs, whether the 'nbers could walk or not'.

Heftmann was 'deprogrammed' after several years in the Moonies. The deprogrammers first put her onto a proper diet, let her sleep, and then began to point out Moon's contradictory statements. They didn't try to instill other beliefs into her, but got her to think for herself. After her deprogramming, Heftmann wanted to know why she had become so involved, so she studied other Cults, and the book gives a summary of the points common to most:

A Cult has a living leader who can't be ejected by members; when he dies, the cult falls apart. The leader has a new Truth for Man, but is misunderstood by press, government and independent researchers, who persecute and lie about him. Cults criticize society. The leader selects an enemy who is powerful and unseen (Heftmann's examples include the AMA and communism). The enemy was slowly choking everything good until the cult leader came along. He alone has the key to conquer this evil.

Cultists, she says, speak in intimate and sincere tones, maintain unwavering eye contact, and stand close. Cult traits alone are marks of distinction status - not intellect, talent or occupation. questions of the uninitiated are evaded. Doctrines often change radically to suit the immediate goals of the leader. Information is classified until you are "ready" to receive the truth. Transgressions against policy are indexed in the dossier kept on each member. Confession is a practice in all cults; if the cultist leaves, the confessional material is used against him. Guilt is central to a cultist, and when paranormal beliefs are adopted, he may confess to blowing up a galaxy or having been Judas Iscariot. The 'cure' in all cults is work. This is to pay an individual's debt and the debt of mankind (Moonies call it paying Indemnity). Members believe utterly that the Golden Age will occur in their lifetimes.

To stay a step ahead of bad publicity, cult recruiters are trained in deception. Cults even usurp the names of legitimate organizations, or alter well-known names slightly, and then accuse deprogrammers of assaulting members of established religions, to gain support (the author names the Cofs in this context).

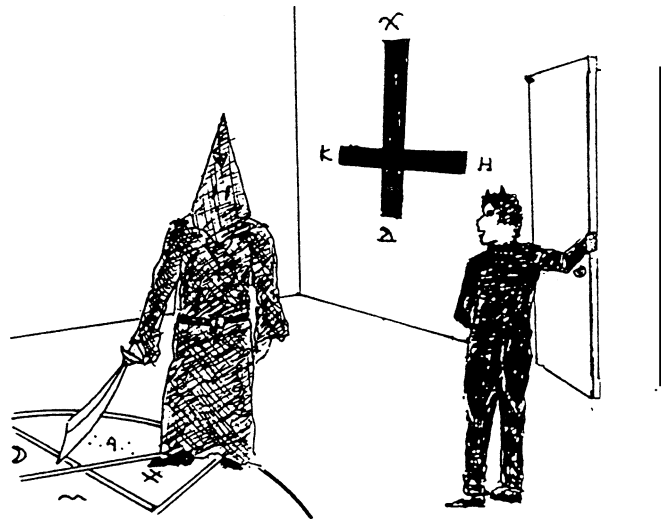
At the end of the book, Heftmann says "Before my own experience in a cult, I prided myself in my individualism and abilities and could never have been convinced that I would come under anyone's control. Once we have moved away from critical thinking, no matter how slightly, if we continue in that direction we will eventually end up quite far off the mark. If this can be self-induced, we have little hope when targeted by the skilled persuader

unless we realize that we need no greater masters than our own minds".

This is a gripping book, and no summary can do it justice. Read it. (I agree. Editor)

CONFIDENTIAL DATA

After reading the Reuben Hart letter in Recon 8, Paul Franklin has asked us to say that if anyone does run into material above their level, and become enturbulated as a result, they can get in touch with him. He'll make sure that it's handled. Paul's phone number is East Grinstead (0342) 25734.



Two gentlemen from the RTC to see you sir.
 Something about researching the Upper Bridge...

THE SUNDAY TIMES

On the 28th of October the Sunday Times Magazine published a very long article on Scientology. The story started for the Sunday Times' Los Angeles correspondent in June last year, when John & Jeannie Hansen took him out to the CMO's secret desert headquarters at Gilman Hot Springs. Despite minor inaccuracies (for example, it says that Miscavige was with LRH in '75 - he actually joined CMO in '77; and it says that LRH is 74) the article presents a fair picture of recent events. It also doesn't go into the usual attack on the Tech. We anticipate future articles in the Express and the Mail.

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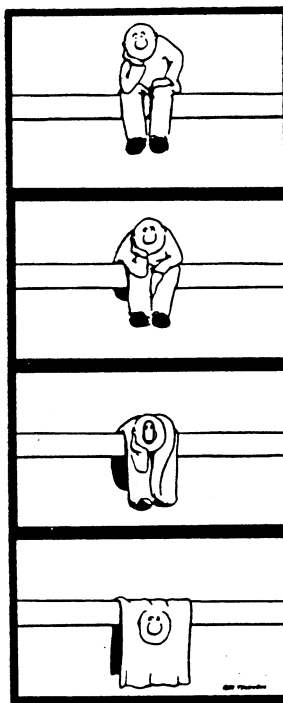
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HOLLAND

Wim Vos was recently in
England, and he told us
about the group that has
formed in the Netherlands.
About 20 Independents hav'
joined together to form SC
(I won't tell you t-
Dutch!), which has its head-
quarters close to Amsterdam.

Their C/S is going to Bent
Corydon's Riverside centre
soon to train as an AA5
auditor and C/S. Wim said
that the Hansens had a lot
to do with the formation of
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