REPORT ON INDOCTRINATION WEEK
by Rosina Mann

"I thought you would be interested to hear that last week an HPA who came to retread on the Indoctrination week had a grief charge when asked to read from ‘Alice in Wonderland’. It turned out he was sitting in the middle of an engram at 5 years of age when a teacher held his head down over a book trying to teach him to read. Naturally he has always had difficulty in reading and the whole of his appearance was that of a chubby five year old boy, with socks hanging down over shoes and all the habits and postures of a child of that age. Perspiration, of course, poured down his face as soon as he tried to read anything.

I remedied havingness with the facsimile and with lots of two-way comm. The whole thing broke up and he emerged in good condition and with cognitions.

The interesting fact has emerged from the dummy ‘acknowledgement’ sessions that you can take a person in fair shape on communication and get him happily to read from the book. If the ‘auditor’ does not adequately acknowledge and you let this state go on for a while (I did for ten minutes to see what would happen), the one reading the book develops a compulsive outflow. This is really fantastic to see and certainly drives home to a student the importance and value of acknowledgements, especially in auditing, and helps them to really get reality on communication.

I have found with many of the auditors who come on to the Indoctrination to retread that the attitude of ‘living to be audited’ is very common though usually well hidden.

Interest in the Basic Course is very keen and one student has already applied for HPA training."

SOME THINGS I’D LIKE TO SAY
by Joan F. Beak, BScn, Canada

"Have you ever wondered, troubled and puzzled, about Ron’s policy in running the HAS? Ever got mad, afraid or dejected about this religion business? I know that before I left Britain I very often had people interested in Scientology come to me saying ‘Do you think L. Ron Hubbard is mad making Scientology into a religion, auditors into ministers, and so on?’—In fact people still write to me often asking the same question. Back in Britain, I occasionally wondered too, but took a deep breath to reply how things were undoubtedly different across the water and that LRH probably knew very well what he’s doing. Well, I’m writing this because I think it’s important to tell you HE DOES!

There are many wonderful things about the new world, but there are many things which to an unaccustomed person seem unbelievably bad. One of the first things you notice about people is how much illness is on their minds, how very insistently it is kept there by the doctors, and how afraid people are of getting ill. This seemed a bit odd to us at first, but as we made friends and talked to people we heard tales of treatment at the hands of doctors which would compare well with the tales that came out of Belsen after the war—and I am not exaggerating. I will give you some examples.
First of all—yes I know—not all doctors are bad, there are good as well as the other sort but they are not nearly so easy to find over here.

In the apartment above us lived a couple, the girl about 28 years old and her husband about 30. They had married very young and after two years and no baby on the way she went to a doctor to ask if he could suggest any reason or treatment. He said she needed an operation. She had one operation followed a little later by another. She had no idea what the operations were doing, but later when still no child arrived she went to the doctor again to be told that he had accomplished complete removal of her reproductive organs. Why? Nothing physically wrong, but operating fees are high and a living has to be made somehow. This is an actual case of such brutality of which I have first hand knowledge. Needless to say, the girl had never recovered from the shock and was in a very embittered and often psychotic state. Another case, a woman, upset by the loss of a puppy, being sent for electric shock treatment and then of course having to have lots of physiotherapy and god knows what else to get able to keep house again. And many many more. Shock treatments are given to an ever increasing number of people and so-called 'health campaigns' run frequently. These are really 'illness campaigns' in which some particular thing, say heart disease, cancer or muscular dystrophy (this is the latest incurable disease) is picked out for attention and people told repeatedly how wary they must be of getting this or that, how they mustn't shovel the snow for fear of exhausting their heart and all sorts of other things to 'get it across' to the public. They succeed. It gets across, and more and more get these conditions which they are being taught to fear.

I repeat, I am not exaggerating, these things really do happen on a pretty considerable scale—and believe me, whenever I hear Ron say something uncomplimentary about the AMA or psychiatrists or any of the rest of the bunch I for one will be 100 percent with him. The tragedy of it all is that the public cannot see and do not know what is being done to them. Truth is first what the doctors say, whatever that may be.

We Scientologists often talk about 'the game'. It's a rough, tough 'no-holds barred' game here, and in this setting the understanding that we have available for people snarled up in this mess seems more urgently needed. It's high time we got busy with the game of unmaking this particular game. Here on the borders of Quebec there is a great deal of influence and pressure on the people from the church. The great majority attend church and are obedient to the priests, but nevertheless mental illness and political corruption are very widespread, and certainly in this particular area the influence of the church tends to subjugate rather than free the individual. I have no doubt that in the Axioms of Scientology Ron has set out the very basic agreements of life itself. The sooner people come to know about and understand these things the saner and happier society will be. What matters is that we should get it across, and in many places we have to do this in spite of legislation which would prevent us if it could.

In the USA, Ron has tried the religious approach with good success. If we can 'get it across' on this basis, is there really anything so shocking about it? After all, we deal in the thing most people call sacred—life itself, and if we can deal honourably and well are we not entitled to be regarded as people who can minister to the needs of others? In fact, we do it all the time.

In Britain there is such a measure of freedom to practice that it is hard to realize the conditions which exist elsewhere, but should it get difficult there too, how about looking at this? How do you rate yourself as an auditor? Do you respect yourself and your work as much as you respect the local doctor, priest or minister? If so, fine, if not, what's the matter with you or your auditing?

Out in the field it is not only good but necessary to feel that behind you there is a sane organization, one for which there is no need to apologize, and which embodies the best of which Scientologists are capable. Well, I for one think it is on the right lines. Maybe by our support and work we can help it be even better. I hope that by telling you a little of what goes on over here you may be able to look again at the
'organization Problem' if it is one to you, and evaluate it again. There's a long haul ahead for the organization and I think it deserves all the support we can give it in a tough and difficult task."

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Everything is going along fine in Dublin. We'll let you know.

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