

Mrs. [REDACTED] b7c

NOTE: Correspondent is not identifiable in Bufiles. L. Ron Hubbard, the founder and President of the Hubbard Dianetic Research Foundation, Inc., is well known to the Bureau. This organization furthers Hubbard's theory of Scientology, an alleged science which instills confidence and assists individuals in removing mental problems and obtaining human ability. Hubbard was described as "hopelessly insane" by his wife in suing for divorce in the early 1950's.

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February 21, 1970

Counter-Intelligence Division
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D.C.

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Dear Sirs:

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I would like to add, though this may not be a matter for the Counter-Intelligence Division, that I think you ought to have a file on the organization which I mention on the second page of the letter, the Scientology outfit with headquarters at East Grinstead, Sussex, England, led and inspired by that arch-crank L. Ron Hubbard. They are not just another harmless oddball pseudo-scientific cult, but are really a dangerous and I think rather sinister enterprise. They have been in trouble with the British authorities more than once as a danger to public health.

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The man I met from the organization, [REDACTED] something, was a faggot of the most dangerous type, (as I now know, having learned a good deal about faggots in the three years since I was introduced to him - they do not all prance around like girls you know and some of them have the most formidable and persistent wills I have ever encountered). Besides he was a Nazi. He claimed to be Australian, but his German accent was as thick as his German manner. Whether he had actually belonged to the party I don't know - he was about forty I would guess and may not have been old enough. His father may have been a member. In any case, Walther came on with exactly the manner of an SS interrogation officer, and this in an interview in which he was supposed to be explaining Scientology, an approach to mental problems which I thought at the time might have some merit, and which I know think is at least a nuisance if not actually a menace.

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I'm inclined to think that it's a menace, or at least enough of a possibility of one that you ought to have a file on it. I'm betting that it's an organization full of fascist queers. Certainly [REDACTED] is one. And so also is my former friend, the subject of the attached letter. Usually he kept his political views well hidden from me, but that last night, when he thought he had me, he got expansive, and let me know about a few of the measures which are needed to help a "dying" America. Artificial emergencies was one, camps another. I kept thinking of all those artificial emergencies in Europe in the thirties, like the one centering around Munich, and all those nice camps the Germans set up around that time. Anyway, I think you should have an eye on those guys.

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Never liked the F.B.I. as much as I do now. It's good to know there's someone I can write a letter like this to.

Yours sincerely,

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February 21, 1970

Personnel Division

[REDACTED] company
New York

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Dear Sirs:

This is to inform you that an employee of yours

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I think you should also know that the subject is a member of the Scientology cult, a rather bizarre organization of psychic faith healers with headquarters at East Grinstead, Sussex, England. I mention this mostly because it was through him that I was introduced to a representative of the organization three years ago, in January, 1967. There ensued an interview which quickly devolved into an attempt to take me over. I got extremely nervous and bolted, the subject sympathizing but not very warmly. I did not realize at the time that this was a first attempt to take me over sexually. Living in Amsterdam in the three years since, I have learned something about homosexual approaches, and I now realize that this was one, in fact the most powerful attack to which I ever hope to be subjected. The memory of that incident, plus other small signs which I missed at the time but can now see clearly, indicate to me that the subject was simply cultivating me for the past three years, waiting for the right moment to make his move. The right moment never came. And now were about to say good-bye for good. So he came on anyway. And he missed. And now he will pay.

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Yours sincerely,

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March 3, 1970

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INFORMANT

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Dear Mr. [REDACTED]

Mr. Hoover received your letter of February 21st and asked me to advise you that he appreciates the interest which prompted you to bring this information to his attention.

Sincerely yours,

Helen Gandy

Helen W. Gandy
Secretary

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- 1 - Bonn - Enclosures (2)

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Attention SAC and Legats: Bufiles contain no record of correspondent and no information identifiable with [REDACTED]. Copies of this correspondence were referred to Assistant Chief of Staff for Intelligence, Department of the Army and Office of Special Investigations, Air Force, by form referral this date. Bufiles reveal neither Lafayette Ronald Hubbard, St. Hill Manor, East Grinstead, Sussex, England, nor the organization headed by him has been investigated by the Bureau. Hubbard is the founder of the Founding Church of Scientology and has been described as "hopelessly insane" by his wife in connection with divorce proceedings. His theory of "scientology" is an alleged science which instills self-confidence and assists in removing mental problems. Information contained in Bufiles concerning this organization has been provided to the Department and it has been investigated by the former Food and Drug Administration, the Internal Revenue Service and the U. S. Army.

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June 1, 1970

Summary
~~THE~~ FOUNDING CHURCH OF SCIENTOLOGY

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AUSTRALIA

No investigation pertinent to your inquiry has been conducted by the FBI concerning the captioned organization.

There is enclosed a memorandum dated March 14, 1968, at Norfolk, Virginia, as well as copies of two news clippings concerning the Founding Church of Scientology. (62-94080)

L. Ron Hubbard was the founder and president of the Hubbard Dianetic Research Foundation, Inc., which was incorporated in New Jersey during April, 1950. An article in the December 5, 1950, issue of Look magazine entitled "Dianetics - Science or Hoax?" stated that L. Ron Hubbard was an obscure writer of pseudo-scientific pulp fiction prior to the publishing of his book "Dianetics."

During March, 1951, the Board of Medical Examiners, State of New Jersey, had a case against the Hubbard Dianetic Research Foundation scheduled for trial on the grounds that the organization was conducting a school and teaching a branch of medicine and surgery without a license. P

During 1952, Hubbard formed the Hubbard Association of Scientologists, an Arizona corporation, and reverted dianetics back to its original name, "scientology." Thereafter, offices were opened in New Jersey; London, England; and Australia. (83-2361-X1)

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1 cc Dept Adm. Forum
* Reassigned per antel 1/2 P/71
To Albany 7/1/75 LWB/ldk
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* Do not destroy findings re Church of Scientology. See antel dtd 12/4/75. LA - 112250-7

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Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
Federal Bureau of
Investigation
Washington, D.C.

Nov. 18, 1970

Dear Mr. Hoover,

My sister is going through
a dreadful emotional
crisis because of her
divorce, and is badly in
need of a psychiatrist.

Unfortunately, my aunt ^{b7c}
and uncle [REDACTED]

referred her to scientology.

Not only do I believe it
quackery, but I'm afraid
scientology is out to bilk
her for what little money
she has.

CORRESPONDENCE

My other aunt [REDACTED]
was married to [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] and is high in
scientology herself as
are my two cousins, ^{b7c}

[REDACTED] and [REDACTED]
[REDACTED], so you see,

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my poor sister hasn't
a chance.

She is already fanatical
about it, which shocks
me, for she has such
a high intelligence
quotient, and an M.A.
in Fine Arts.

I don't understand
this thing that can
turn a loyal family
member into abandoning
her family ties, loyalties,
and aspirations, in
pursuit of fanatical
cultivism.

Please forward any
information that you
may have, regarding this
organization, and any
advice you can give me.
Thank you. Sincerely,

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November 25, 1970

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EX-100

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Dear [REDACTED]

Although I would like to be of assistance in reply to your letter received on November 23rd, this Bureau is strictly an investigative agency of the Federal Government and, as such, neither makes evaluations nor draws conclusions as to the character or integrity of any organization, publication or individual. I hope you will not infer either that we do or do not have material in our files relating to Scientology.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
Director

[Handwritten signatures and initials]

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
FREEDOM OF INFORMATION/PRIVACY ACTS SECTION

SUBJECT:

CHURCH OF SCIENTOLOGY/ L. RON HUBBARD

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