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Ability



A SUCCESSFUL CONGRESS

The Ability Congress held at the Shoreham Hotel December 29 to 31, was a record breaker for winter Congresses.

Attended by more than 300 people, all seemed delighted with the lectures and seminars.

The program was a real "smasher."

The Congress opened on a note of comedy. Ron "launched' a Ffftnik which rose to the top of the stage and exploded into a shower of ping pong balls. Immediately after, a round sphere circled the stage emitting sputnik-like beeps.

Getting into the swing of it, the program continued with a complete run-down on the history of organizations showing that a steady increase in volume shows Scientology to be of greater scope than Dianetics ever was at its highest peak.

Ron gave a full description of the state of Clear and gave full details of the techniques necessary for producing clears.

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The seminars the first evening and on succeeding days featured actual auditing. There was no group processing this Congress. The audience did it themselves with co-auditing. Many case changes were remarked and the delegates were delighted to see what they could make happen on each other with the new processes. It was highly adventurous turning a whole audience into co-auditing teams but it was entirely successful. Some people were auditing who had never done so before. They came out of it with the idea that the water was fine and they wanted to swim some more. This experiment proved Ron's frequent remark, "Auditing is what you can get away with. Just make sure you get away with it." The Congress got away with it.

The Congress had another surprise on the second day. Ron announced that any auditor could now form a Survival Club in his area, based on the idea that if the country is to survive it will have to be brighter. The goal of the Survival Club is to raise the I.Q. of every citizen a few points.

Additional Scientology data was presented on both the second and third days and found immediate interest. Amnesia was explained and Ron gave techniques to correct it.

A wealth of data was given. Much of it summated older data.

The third day began with more co-auditing. The first lecture of the day concerned flaws in the American national character.

The second lecture of the last day was a bomb-shell that started a stampede for action. In this lecture Ron announced the founding of the National Academy of American Psychology.

Ron said that the existing state of psychotherapy in the U.S. was poor and that its failures and barbarities lay across our path and threw discredit on anyone working in the field of the mind.

He stated it was necessary to clean up psychology, psychiatry and psychoanalysis and proposed a simple program to do so.

The entire body of the Congress almost without exception signed up at once with the N.A.A.P. Regional Directors were nominated. The Oath of practice was slightly amended by the Congress to include the clause that every mental practitioner should be willing to receive any type of treatment he gives.

Such a wave of enthusiasm has seldom been seen before and it was certain that it would not abate with the close of the Congress but would sweep on and get the job done.



Ron gets the Congress going with a **BA**NG as he releases "Fffnik" - it went "Ffft" (as planned), then released ping pong balls on the delegates in the front rows.



LRH Jr. (Nibs) gives the Seminar a run-down on the process about to be demonstrated by two HCA students.



At the Hubbard Guidance Center Booth, Director of Processing Mary Sue Hubbard and two of the Congress delegates discuss current processing techniques.



Ron at the First Lecture presents to the Congress a financial account, showing that Scientology finances are rising steadily and stably year by year.

(Photos by Richard F. Steves)

The final lecture was a technical one and at its end the entire Congress rose to its feet and gave Ron a standing ovation.

As promised, the Ability Congress marked the beginning of a new era, not only for Scientology but for mental practice in the United States.

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In this seminar the co-auditing teams found that running the process "You make that body sit in that chair" increased their control of their body.

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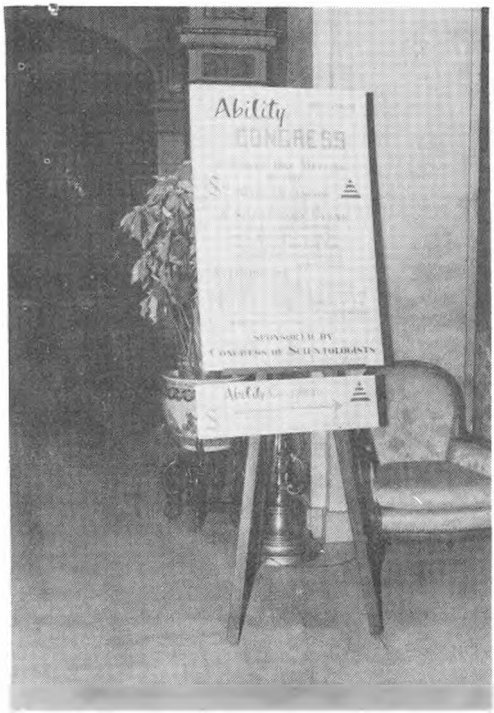
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