

YOUR PLACE IN THE SUN ●

WE ARE ADULTS, Mr CALLAGHAN

I MUST protest at the way in which Mr. Callaghan, the Home Secretary, has handled the case of the Scientologists.

I am not a scientologist, but I feel that, as an adult citizen, I have the ability and the right to decide whether this cult or any other is harmful or not.

If Mr. Callaghan hopes to crush this cult, albeit from the highest motives he will never do so by the use of arbitrary and dictatorial methods. Mr. L. Ron Hubbard, the founder of the cult, is right in saying that "the new thought cannot be crushed by violence."

Scientology may very well be harmful socially but intellectual dictatorship and the use of arbitrary power are infinitely worse.

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The Home Secretary has banned Mr. Hubbard, an American, from entering Britain. Mr. Kenneth Robinson, the Minister of Health has described the cult as

"Socially Harmful." He said it "Alienates members of families from one another, and attributes squalid and disgraceful motives to all who oppose it."

FLOWERS

HAS THIS been an exceptionally good year for sweet peas? I measured one of my stems and found it to be 17 1/2 in. long.

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Noel Prockter says: It has