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### I'm not your leader

### **Hubbard** tells scientologists

THE founder of Scientology, Lafayette Ron Hubbard, announced yesterday that he is no longer leader of the movement.

he 57-year-old American said this in a cable to the cult's headquarters in East Grinstead, Sussex.

He sent it from his 3300 ton yacht Royal Scotman which "is somewhere at sea.

the message stated that Hubbard had not been the leader since he "retired from Scientology directorships" two years ago.

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Earlier this week staff at the Scottish H.Q. in Edinburgh seemed to think he was still their leader.

They agreed, at the Daily Record's request, to send a message to him asking for a reply to the Commons statement by Health Minister Kenneth Robinson, that Scientology was "objectionable." able."

#### Decent

Hubbard's answer expounded his views on Scientology, but did not answer the allegations

East Grinstead yesterday Mrs. David Gaiman, wife of the cult's chief spokesman, said that the message read:

retired from Scientology directorships over two years ago and have been exploring

ago and have been exploring since. I gave Scientology to the world with hopes of good usage.

"If it is a decent world, it will use it well. If it is a bad world, it won't. I finished my work. Now it is up to others. Love, Ron."

Meanwhile Mr. David Gaiman, the cult's chief spokesman, said they were to issue 14 writs alleging libel on parties who had reported their activities "unfairly and grossly inaccurately." inaccurately.



KATHLEEN RILEY . . . her answers in the E meter test were recorded.



IAIN THOMSON . . . he claimed he was told to sleep on a wooden floor.

# Life in the cult by Kathleen

By IAN METCALFE and **ALLAN GULLAND** 

A BOY and a girl told last night of what happened to the m while they worked at the Scottish head-quarters of the Scientologists.

THE GIRL, Kathleen Riley, said it was a bit frightening at first when she was given a kind of lie-detector test.

THE BOY, Iain Thomson, 20, claimed he was told to work for more than 15 hours—then on a wooden floor. sleep on a w Kathleen,



HUBBARD

Marischal Place, Edinburgh, said she was linked to an E meter—a "kind of lie detector"—as questions were fired at her by the staff at the organisa-Thistle Street.

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She was asked questions like:
"Do birds fly," "Have you embezzled money in any previous office?". "Are you afraid of the police?", "Are you running away from the police for any reason?"

"I was a bit nervous while this was going on. But there were no after-effects."

#### Screened

The test was given to Kath-leen two days after she answered an advert for a job as a filing clerkess in the Scientology organisation.

Her answers to the E meter

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were recorded on cards which

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were screened from her and
she was never told what was
recorded on them
After Kathleen had undergone her initial test ahe was
graded in a state of "NONEXISTENCE" and later regraded as NORMAL.

"They had all sorts of gradings for people who worked with them. They had gradings such as DANGER. EMERGENCY, NORMAL LIABILITY, TREASON and DOURT." DOUBT."

There were different kinds "There were different kinds of punishment ranging from not being allowed to have a lunch break, not being allowed to wash, shave, have a bath or having to wear old clothes.

"I saw men there who had obviously not shaved for days."

After five weeks working for the scientologists Kathleen was

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