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Hi there:

I thought that I was going to be able to mark the 13th by adding the thirteenth member to our net, but no such luck. Instead with this, our third masterpiece, we introduce five newcomers to our net. Please see that they are properly deluged with copies of your earlier epistles. (Incidentally that word means letters of literary excellence so please follow in my footsteps in this respect.)

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Have you tried to add a member to our magic circle? We need about 20 active members to make a real go of this net, so broadcast a few extra copies of your letters to prospective victims.

It is now time to burn this letter. If you read further you might get an idea and I would not want to be in the position of having given an idea to anyone. It's on your head if you proceed.

Comments on my first two letters were more than I had bargained for. I haven't answered all the personal letters yet but perhaps I can discuss some of the points here. However, I do have every intention of someday answering all letters. But time is a delusion that I refuse to recognize, so you may wait.

Several readers agree with the idea of selling dianetics piecemeal, some don't. Two or three instances of improved eyesight were reported but nothing spectacular. Objection was raised on the basis that no one could guarantee that dianetics would help a preclear to see straight until he was ready to see straight. All I ask is what doctor guarantees results? Doctors work on probabilities, not certainties, and I had heard that dianetics had helped many to discard their glasses. If it helps 50%, this fact should be made known. I maintain that the more people we interest in dianetics, the sooner we shall get results. While dianetics as a whole is still in the research stage, the general public can benefit from part of it while the research goes on. Let's find the parts that are ready and distribute them.

There was a lot of comment on Analytical procedure. I am awaiting reports on results. There a few objections regarding omissions from those who had read the original paper. It seems that the basic idea behind the CBDA sequence is not as widespread generally as it is in the field of industrial engineering. Sorry! A word of caution on re-evaluating BAL's; don't invalidate the preclear in the process. Most of the trouble with analytical procedure has arisen from the preclear feeling invalidated. (Anylytical procedure is still in the reasearch stage and has not been published.)

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Along this line I would like some comment on the question of the "present time problem". A large portion of the neuroses and psychoses that crop up are due to inability to solve a present time problem. Many blocks to effective processing of normal and above normal preclears are found to be rooted in present time problems. In many cases these problems are found to be real even though they may be given undue weight by an irrational BAI, a restimulated engram or a service facsimile. Now if the problem is real, running the incident may decondition it, re-evaluating the BAI may help and keying out the serfax is fine, but the problem remains. Now if the problem is important, perhaps actually a potential threat to survival, the preclear is continually pushed back into anaten at least, or even into aberration. In other words, how do you solve an unsolvable problem? Can you induce the preclear to evolve to the point where he can solve the problem? Or should the preclear become reconciled to his fate? How do you as an auditor help a preclear to handle strong present time problems? And what do you do when the preclear likes his irrational solution so well that he refuses to admit that there is an unsolved problem?

Many thanks to those of you who praised my "pomes". Incidentally that is my own special word compounded of "poem" and "tome" and meaning a poem with a lot of significance.

Apparently we have followers of all the different schools of dianetics among our members. I think some serious comments on the current theories and techniques would be appropriate. What techniques do you find most effective for newcomers? How do you speak of dianetics to one who has not heard of the subject? What applies best to cases that have become stuck? A number of preclears have progressed thru dianetics to a definite extent and then turned suddenly against auditing. Sometimes a preclear who has benefited will use his new abilities to unsell newcomers. How do you handle this problem?

At present I am reading mainly material from the Foundation at Wichita and from Jim Welgos at Fairhope, Ala. Incidentally I would strongly recommend Jim's "Secrets of Tiredness" to anyone who wants to spread dianetics. This is the best non-technical presentation that I have seen. What do you recommend?

I am now the proud proprietor of a tape recorder. If you want to hear my melodious voice, I'll be glad to converse via tape. I do not promise words of wisdom - just words and more words.

By now some of you will have seen Harry Fortune's circulating letter. Your comments on this approach vs the duplicated letter such as this one would be appreciated. There is probably place for both in our group. Incidentally, I have been asked if someone wants to take on the duplicating job for another member. Submit your bids if you are interested.

I can't think of enough to fill another page so I'll stop here. No pome this time; but wait 'til next month.

Yours in R.F.P.

