

These are kind of unpredictable. They might flip out on you. We do not know what will happen.

Mr. GORDON. Is it your impression that the original source of amphetamines was generally a doctor?

Reverend REYNOLDS. That is a hard one to answer. Those that we work on, there is so much legal and illegal of it that is done.

I would hate to put a percentage figure on it. These people are con artists. They can walk into any doctor's office, and convince him of their symptoms. They know what prescriptions he is to prescribe, so he knows how to get what he wants.

Mr. GORDON. And the doctors take his word?

Reverend REYNOLDS. And they take his word for it.

That is part of their problem, and that is part of our problem.

Mr. GORDON. My mother used to do that. She used to go to the doctor and tell the doctor what was wrong with her.

Reverend REYNOLDS. That is just what they do.

Gentlemen, let me recap.

What is the problem?

One, we are too prone to look for easy, painless solutions to life's problems.

Two, chemicals that can alter the mood are available legally and illegally from "legitimate" manufacturers.

Three, the knowledge that it is available is well advertised.

Four, the whole health-care field has got to shoulder their responsibility in causing the spread of the drug abuse problem.

Five, we can no longer bypass the fact that men have spiritual needs, as well as physical, and social needs.

Some hopeful signs:

One, many of us are redoubling our efforts.

Two, medical schools are now requiring medical doctors to take courses in interpersonal relations.

Three, many professionals are acknowledging that there are spiritual needs that can be met. More cooperation between these two areas is needed.

Four, this hearing is being held and we have been able to share from the street level, where the action is.

For an idea of the effectiveness of the Teen Challenge program you may refer to a study done under grant No. 1 H81 DA 01505-01.

This is the first time we have been able to share some of the things we see from the street side, and we appreciate it.

Thank you.

Senator NELSON. You state on the first page, that you made contact with over 380,000 people in 1975.

These 380,000 are all individuals who were using drugs?

Reverend REYNOLDS. Probably 85 percent will be drug-related of some kind.

Senator NELSON. You said in some residential facilities you have some thousand people a day?

Reverend REYNOLDS. In our total program, we have 1,000 people in residence.

Senator NELSON. When you say in residence, do you have residential facilities for some of your clients?

Reverend REYNOLDS. Right. Our program is 1 year long.

Senator NELSON. How many?