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Methaqualone—America's Aphrodisiac Drug Kick

AFS—"There were nude bodies everywhere, squirming to get off of a large throw rug and into their clothes."
The setting of a new pornographic movie? No—the police report of a raid on a methaqualone party, America's aphrodisiac drug kick that is spreading fast. Called "The Love Drug" by users because of its reported loosening of inhibitions, police first started noticing large scale

methaqualone abuse about six months ago.
"We began finding those little white tablets," said one narcotics agent, "along with the regular assortment of pot and pills. It sent us running for our copy of the 'Physicians' Desk Reference' (a book containing data and pictures of all prescription medicines) to find out what everybody was using."
Made under the trade name

Parest, SOPOR and Quaalude, methaqualone is a nonbarbiturate sedative given to patients who have trouble sleeping. Unlike most other "downs," methaqualone is not physically addictive, but it can cause psychological dependency.
Illegal users of the drug claim it causes drunkenness, slurring of words and loss of muscle control. But perhaps the best-liked effect and definitely the reason most

give for its growing popularity is its enhancement of the sex drive.
Orgies among users are not uncommon and the racy drug is in great demand with the "swinger" groups of young, married couples. One Atlanta doctor prescribed methaqualone for coed patients, visiting them after office hours when he knew their libido would be at its height. And many arrested recently for sex crimes

have been found to be under the influence of the drug.
"It makes you float right into an affair," said a dental assistant who uses no other drugs except marijuana. "I have to watch you I take it with as it makes you more susceptible."
"You desire sex more," a pretty, 21-year-old stewardess explained. "But its not like these old jokes about 'Spanish Fly.' You don't hop in bed with the first person you see. If you are with a guy that appeals to you, it is more likely to happen, that's all."

Even such an unlikely crusader as Jerry Rubin has taken up the banner against methaqualone. During the recent demonstrations at Miami Beach's political conventions, Rubin and his Yippies organized an "Anti-Downers and Anti-Quaalude March" to protest against the increased use of these dangerous drugs.
"I don't care what the effects are, they are death," said Rubin, clad in a red bathing suit for an outdoor press conference announcing the street action. And with Miami Beach Mayor Chuck Hall looking over his shoulder in approval, complained that "The government is showing these Quaaludes down our throats to keep our minds sedated."

Despite Rubin's explanation, methaqualone is spreading because there is money to be made selling the drug illegally and people want to buy it. One dealer on a southern campus picks up a tax-free \$500 a week making five sales of 1,000 pills each. "I could sell five times that amount if I could get them," she said, adding, "that's how much people want them."
The illegal pills and capsules come from the factories of some of the nation's largest pharmaceutical manufacturers. Unlike barbiturates, no increased security precautions accompany the production of methaqualone, which is made by six companies in varying forms.

Dr. El-Sayed Awarded National Science Foundation Grant

A \$66,500 National Science Foundation grant has been awarded Dr. Sayed Z. El-Sayed of TAMU for marine ecosystem studies in the Antarctic.

The TAMU oceanographer's research on primary producers was approved scientifically for a three-year period at about \$228,500 NSF funding.

The first-year grant, through the Texas A&M Research Foundation, became effective Oct. 1. Studies will be made in the South Africa sector of the Southwest Indian Ocean, with a 1973 spring cruise track extending to the pack ice zone. The cruise involving four graduate students under El-Sayed will have Dr. Guy A. Franceschini, TAMU oceanography and meteorology professor as chief scientist.

An objective of the project is to relate ecosystem findings to assessment of Antarctic marine resources, such as krill and squid. Such an assessment is the subject of current international studies. El-Sayed chairs the Committee on Antarctic Marine Resources of the Scientific Com-

mittee on Antarctic Research (SCAR).

His work is one of 10 integrated biological studies and the focus of other Eltanin integrated cruises for investigation of the marine ecosystem.

It will closely coordinate with investigations by Franceschini, Dr. William M. Sackett and Dr. Nestor Bottino of TAMU, among others.

El-Sayed's work builds on research he began in the South Atlantic a decade ago. His investigations have moved westward around Antarctica and will continue a circumpolar survey of Antarctic waters with 1974-75 cruises included in the three-year project.

Graduate students participating in the March 22 to May 22, 1973, cruise to originate from Mozambique will be Jefferson Turner of Tampa, Fla.; Ken Fucik, Houston; Abdel Reheim, College Station, and Tom Eurell, New Brunswick, N. J.

The El-Sayed studies involve cruise measurements of primary

organic productivity, estimates of the standing phytoplankton crop, a quantitative study of phytoplankton species, relative significance of net and nanoplankton, study of the distribution and concentration of nutrient elements, study of particulate and dissolved

organic carbon and hydrographic conditions of stations occupied.

His work ties in with other investigations into areas such as solar radiation, pathway of carbon, biochemical activity and the chemical composition of plankton, marine fungi and zooplankton.

12,000 Miles From Home—Yosufzai Gets Involved

What do you do if you are 12,000 miles from home attending a foreign university?

If you are S. Shariq Yosufzai, you get involved.

Yosufzai, from Dacca, Bangladesh, is president pro-tem of the Student Senate.

A member of Squadron 13 and a Distinguished Student, he is listed in the National Student Register.

Yosufzai is also the founding chairman of Texas A&M Scholastic Service, corresponding secretary of Tau Beta Pi and a member of Omata Chi Epsilon.

He has been secretary of Phi Eta Sigma, a delegate to SCONA XVI and XVII and a fall leader-

ship council member.

A Robert A. Welch fellow, he is a senator from Schumacher-McInnis, and president of Schumacher.

Though most foreign students don't intend to get involved in university life, Yosufzai has found that he is happier when busy.

Time doesn't seem to be a hindrance, either, since he usually manages to post close to 4.0 GPA.

Being president pro-tem, Yosufzai is deeply immersed in major campus issues. He feels that some traditions are sacred and should not be changed.

One of these is female yell leaders. "I am completely and violently opposed to female yell leaders" he said. "I don't see why any self-respecting female would do it."

Yosufzai also feels that the \$3 bike registration could be reduced. He thinks more research needs to be done in this area.

Yosufzai had originally planned to attend California Institute of Technology. He changed his mind at the last minute.

A&M has set up an agricultural university in Bangladesh and, according to Yosufzai, approximately 70 per cent of the engineers in Bangladesh are Aggies.

Barnes Backs Amendment 4

AUSTIN, Tex. (AP)—Lt. Gov. Ben Barnes and the president of the Texas Municipal League urged Tuesday that voters approve a proposal to empower the Legislature to write a new Texas Constitution in 1974.

Barnes took issue with the proposition's opponents, who have charged the Legislature should not be allowed to rewrite the Constitution.

"Legislators are elected by and responsible directly to the people," Barnes said, adding that no constitution written by the lawmakers "can be adopted without approval at the polls by the voters."

"Passage of this is perhaps the most important single issue which will face Texans as voters in our lifetime," the lieutenant governor said.

The Municipal League president, Seguin Mayor Alfred H. Koebig, called the amendment on the Nov. 7 ballot a "mechanism which will permit us to bring our 96-year-old document into line with the current and future needs of Texas."

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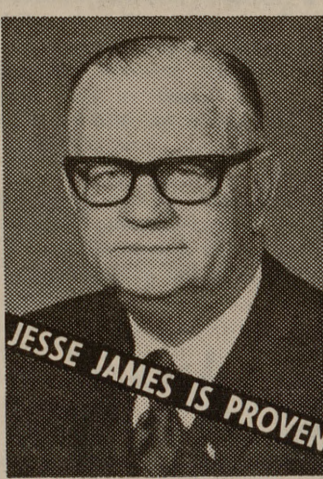
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Briscoe vs. Grover

These are the differences.

DRUG LAW REFORM

Briscoe
Favors the modernization of the drug laws in Texas. He emphasizes increased efforts toward drug abuse education, rehabilitation of drug users, and the enactment of a modern marijuana possession law. He favors adoption of the Uniform Controlled Substances Act, an act which will provide for more modern criteria in the determination of what actually constitutes dangerous drugs and narcotics.

Grover
Mr. Grover believes that Texas' archaic drug laws should be maintained.

STUDENT RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Briscoe
Favors legislation that would enable responsible students to be elected for one-year terms, with full voting rights, to Boards of Regents. He also favors increased participation on the College Coordinating Board by students, women, and members of minority groups.
Has long been on record as an advocate of the 18-year-old vote.

Grover
He said students are "too immature" to serve on Boards of Regents. Speeches before Texas Intercollegiate Student Association, Houston, Texas, October, 1971; Lubbock, Texas, September, 1972.
Voted against the 18-year-old vote in 62nd Legislature (1971).



VOTING RIGHTS

Briscoe
Voted for repeal of the Poll Tax in 1949.

Grover
Voted against repeal of the Poll Tax in 1971 (62nd Legislature).

STATUS OF WOMEN

Briscoe
Favors adoption of the Constitutional Amendment providing for Equal Status of Women.
Favors elimination of all tax inequities that affect women.
Favors elimination of discrimination against women in public and private employment.

Grover
Voted against constitution amendment providing women with equal status (60th Legislature, 1967).
Voted against establishing a committee on the Status of Women (62nd Legislature, 1971).

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