

Favorite vice

Junior gets busted; marijuana suspected

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"Henry! Henry! There's a strange smell coming from Junior's room!"
"Henry! Henry! Junior ate two boxes of chips and three bags of cookies!"
"Henry! Henry! Junior's been arrested!"

Junior was not arrested for gluttony or B. O., but for the use of that forbidden plant: marijuana. Contrary to administrative opinion, marijuana is a favorite vice. First, it does apply to local students — remember Dunn? — and second, why else would our lawmakers take the time to make it illegal?

In America "Cannabis sativa" was once as commonly used as aspirin is today. One miracle drug overtakes another. In approaching the illegalities of marijuana one should note the confusion within the law. Out of five or six common varieties of hemp, only two are illegal in the United States. The most common being "Cannabis sativa."

A Hindu in India said of the weed: "To forbid or even seriously restrict the use of so holy and gracious a herb as the hemp, would cause widespread suffering and annoyance and to large bands of worshipped ascetics, deep-seeded anger. It would rob the people of a solace in discomfort, of a cure in sickness, of a guardian whose gradious protection saves them from the attacks of evil influences...so grand a result, so tiny a sin."

Many feel as our Hindu friend does, that marijuana will and should someday be legalized. If it were, the results would be endless. Marijuana that now sells for \$10 an ounce would be displayed in drugstores (literally drug-shops) in a neat package of 20 cigarettes for \$1.25.

Before the Surgeon General gets a say in the matter, soap operas will be interrupted with flashes of a young executive-type saying:

"Hey man, for a really relaxed party, throw away those bottles of tequila and Scotch and enter a new

world of the American Tobacco Company."

The radio will blare "Jeepers, creepers, baby share them reefer!"

The most important aspect of dope smoking is never to "blow it." This in reference to the jerk who walks into your house and asks your mom if you scored. Regardless of whether or not she understands, she is bright enough to know that whether you did or not, you probably shouldn't have.

Marijuana, like its vice counterparts, has techniques and rituals necessary for its consumption. It can be used in a cigarette, a pipe or food, all of which require certain equipment. The most common technique, cigarettes, requires the least equipment: marijuana, papers, people.

A small amount of "the evil weed" is placed gently (for frugal purposes) on a piece of cigarette-size paper. It is then carefully — oh, so carefully — rolled. Its resulting size can vary from that of a nonfilter cigarette to that of a grand-daddy cigar.

The art of smoking a hemp-filled pipe is a little more confusing. Although dad's pipe can easily be packed and smoked, veteran smokers have pipe preferences. One of a variety, a large jug is filled with two parts water and two parts air. A pocket is then placed in position to cover the opening. The pocket needs a screen and a pinch of weed. Anywhere from one to 100 tubes should extend from the pipe. The tubes transfer the intoxicating smoke from jug to lung.

Homemaking II courses can come in handy for members of anti-lung desecration societies. Simply follow Betty's directions on the back of a brownie mix box. However, when Betty says to place the mix into the pan — don't. Instead, take about \$10 worth of marijuana and gently blend it into the mix. Place in pan. Place in oven. Bake. Result? Euphoria at the company picnic.

These directions are not for the purpose of encouraging the use of

marijuana. They are solely for those who wish to be prepared when lawmakers remove marijuana's illegal honors, thus making it subservient to quadding and underage drinking.

For the benefit of those who have never come into contact with marijuana addicts, and would like some forewarning, take note:

Persons under the influence of illegal rope possess a few similar qualities:

1. a pungent odor — but so does a cow chip contestant.
2. an uncontrollable desire to "munch" — but so does a person on a carrot diet.
3. a desire to giggle (even at things that ARE funny) — but so does Phyllis Diller.
4. a drowsy (yaaaaaawn!) sleepy sensation — but so does a marathon fish swallower.

Contrary to health films, the average dope user is not scrubby, long-haired and bleary-eyed. Rather it is usually the All-American type next door. Check with your minister, he may be guilty.

Apartment requests rezoning

Rezoning requests on five tracts of land southwest of Highway 6 and northwest of Southwest Parkway will be the topic of a public hearing before the College Station Planning and Zoning Commission Monday night.

F. S. Kapchinskie has submitted a request for apartment zoning on 20 acres southwest of Highway 6 and southeast of Holleman Drive which is currently zoned single family.

Also on the agenda is an application from Glenn D. Thomas for the rezoning of a lot in College Hills Estates from single family to neighborhood business zoning.

Hobby to speak on utilities regulation

Lt. Gov. Bill Hobby will discuss utilities regulation by the state in a Political Forum address Tuesday.

The public-free presentation in the Rudder Theater starts at 8 p.m.

Political Forum Chairman John Nelson noted that Lt. Gov. Hobby assented to rescheduling the appearance after a late-September postponement.

The No. 2 state official was here in September for an address at the Water for Texas Conference. Lt. Gov. Hobby has direct input and information on the Political Forum topic. He chairs the Governor's Energy Advisory Council. Hobby also presides over the Energy and Natural Resources Committee of the National Conference of Lieutenant Governors.

The Houston newspaper executive has served on presidential committees, the Texas Air Control Board, University of Houston Board of Regents and Houston Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors.

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