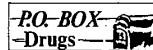


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Q. The federal government was supposed to be doing a lot of research about the effects of marijuana. I've never heard anything more about it. What happened?

R.L.K. Westland
A. Results are coming slowly. It will be years before a clear pattern of effects is determined.

But one report is enlightening. The main active ingredient in marijuana, THC, was "tagged" with radioactive atoms so the drug could be detected in the various parts of the body. In about 30 minutes, half of the THC is no longer found in the blood stream.

This checks out with the relatively short action of the drug. What is surprising is the fact that it takes more than a week for all of the drug to leave the body. It appears that it is stored in various parts of the body, such as the brain, and slowly released.

This may explain the fact that the first dose may produce little or no effect, whereas repeated doses may produce an effect greater than anticipated.

Q. There is a drug analysis program in Livonia and Westland. Can you find out what sort of results are turning up. Is there any pattern to them?

S.M. Livonia
A. Again, the pattern is developing slowly. So far the results are about what one would expect: marijuana, "speed" etc. Most of the analyses fall into this area.

What is disturbing is that there are present in these communities some extremely dangerous drugs such as phencyclidine. This drug is rarely sold as such, but is claimed to be LDS or heroin. It can be fatal.

On the other hand there is a lot of junk-nothing-being sold. The classic example so far is caps of "Coffee-Mate" or "Pream" being sold as some sort of trip. The effect is zero, the profit enormous.

Q. I sent in some samples of a drug for analysis. I know it was the real thing because I've tried it, but the results came back negative. Is this analysis program a fake?

M.B. Westland
A. No, the program isn't a fake, but we have every reason to believe that you are.

First of all, if you had actually used the drug, you would not have gotten a high from it. It happens to be a chemical that gives a false "positive" test for two of the most popular drugs of abuse. If the analysis anonymous program had not been alert to this possibility and had no conducted further tests, you would have been able to tell your buyers "if you don't believe me, have it tested." Sorry.

Schoolcraft's Consultant Is Available

Nicolas Manceau, a consultant in foreign languages at Schoolcraft College during February and March, will be available for a number of speaking engagements during his stay in the area.

A citizen of France, Manceau is a secondary school English teacher. He is in this country through the Institute of International Studies of the U.S. Office of Education.

Besides Schoolcraft, his assignments this year are to Vincennes University (Indiana), Black Hawk College (Illinois), and Davenport College in Grand Rapids.

Service clubs, PTA's, and other community groups wishing to schedule Manceau should call the college. Mrs. Marguerite Hirn, 591-6400 ext. 314, is keeping his calendar.

C'ville Honor Group Elects

Officers were recently elected for the National Junior Honor Society of Clarksville Junior High School. Heading the Society will be President Joanne Ellinger with Paul Sugar, vice president; Harlan Hecker, treasurer, and Robert Kaplan, secretary.

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