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The British Columbia Anti-Prohibition League respects the right of adult Canadians to chose what they consume, and advocates the repeal of the Controlled Drugs & Substances Act.

EDITOR'S REMARKS

We are glad to be able to include in this newsletter a contribution from Dana Larsen, editor of the Cannabis Culture Magazine which now runs to 65,000 copies. He wrote about his experience as editor.

Although I am proud and glad to have this piece for inclusion in the Newsletter and appreciate the labour which he expended unpaid to produce this article for us, I feel I should make my position clear by saying that I do not agree that the "War on Drugs"...is essentially a war on marijuana." Opium, which is used to control and suppress pain was prohibited in the United States along with cocaine by the Harrison Narcotic Act in 1914 and marijuana was not prohibited until 1937.

My view is that the "War on Drugs" represents an effort on the part of governments to prevent individuals from making decisions with regard to their health. This is particularly clear in connection with pain.

The control of pain is a focus of this newsletter and we include an article by Big Jim Briscoe entitled *The Pain Truth* which tells of the difficulties experienced by people who suffer pain and go to their doctor for medication. Also we include information how one can approach the

government for exclusions from the Controlled Drugs and Substances Act (CDSA).

Ted Smith is a dedicated worker for the freedom of the human race and deserves consideration not only because of the views he expresses but also because of his courage in providing marijuana and cannabis-based products to people with incurable and terminal medical conditions. This work is referred to in an article about the Vancouver Island Buyers Club

He has written a book entitled *Hempology 101 Textbook*. I have an early 1996 edition of this work, but a revised edition is now available. An article about it by Matt Ramsey, has been printed in the *Victoria News* for Feb 18th. says "It's stuffed with facts, figures and observations from almost 200 sources. It's not an easy read, nor is it aimed at kids, but it succeeds by providing the reader with a fleshed-out context within which to view recreational and medicinal cannabis use in modern society. *Hempology 101* examines the role of cannabis throughout history, of hemp as an agricultural and industrial product, of cannabis as a medicine, as well as the history of prohibition, the counter culture revival of marijuana use in the 1960's,

cannabis to-day, and where marijuana use may go in the future.” He quotes Ted as saying “The continuation of prohibition is the result of a lack of information”. The book is printed on hemp paper and bound with hemp twine. For more information phone 381 3262.

The Newsletter also contains an article by Melissa Eror submitted by Ann Livinston. regarding the Methadone Program.

As I was working on this Newsletter I was given a copy of a paper on *Marijuana, Medicine and Politics* by Lester Grinspoon M.D., It is too long to include here, but there is one thing which I think I should pass on.. He says that “since 1967 more than ten million Americans have been arrested on marijuana charges and many of them have had to serve long prison sentences. Careers have been ruined and families bankrupted or destroyed.”

When you add to that the number of people world-wide who have been arrested on marijuana charges, and add to that the number of people who have been arrested because of other drug offences you get some idea of the enormity of the problem which we are tackling.

At the beginning of my remarks I referred to something which Dana Larsen had written that I disagreed with. I want to end by referring to something which he said that I agree with, and that is that the “war on drugs ... is the greatest single violation of human rights and dignity presently occurring in the western world.”

THE CANNABIS CULTURE STORY **Five years of pushing pot-freedom in Vancouver.**

By Dana Larsen, Editor of Cannabis Culture Magazine

For five years I have worked as editor of Cannabis Culture Magazine with publisher Marc Emery, who also founded Vancouver's Hemp BC and Cannabis Cafe. In those five years I feel that we have accomplished a great deal to educate and liberate pot-people in Canada and around the world.

Marc and I both believe strongly in self-determination and individual autonomy, and we agree that the war on drugs, which is essentially a war on marijuana, is the greatest single violation of human rights and dignity presently occurring in the western world.

I have written hundreds of thousands of words discussing all aspects of marijuana and the drug war, but I have written few about the actual story of how Cannabis Culture and Hemp BC came to be.

FOUNDING HEMP BC

In the early 1990's, Marc Emery owned a bookstore in London, Ontario called City Lights. He was a staunch libertarian and engaged in various "freedom crusades" including founding the Ontario Freedom Party, selling banned "2 Live Crew" tapes (and being arrested), and selling banned High Times magazines and growbooks. He also gave out pro-pot leaflets at the courthouse, and generally challenged the police to arrest him, which they did not do.

In 1994, Marc Emery came to Vancouver, BC, and opened a store called Hemp BC. It started out in the wreckage of a fire-bombed communist bookstore, but Marc and his crew of employees worked steadily to turn the store into a stunning display of hemp and marijuana products: all kinds of pot and grow books; bongs and pipes; a selection of Dutch seeds; hemp clothes and shoes; hemp seed oils, soaps, lotions, foods, and lots more.

Hemp BC rapidly grew to become Canada's most influential hemp store, and set the pattern and infrastructure for the rapid development of about 100 stores all across Canada which opened over the next four years.

Marc Emery's small Hemp BC storefront expanded to include Hemp BC wholesale, the Little Grow Shop, the Cannabis Cafe, a Legal Assistance Centre, Marc Emery Direct Marijuana Seeds, and Cannabis Canada magazine (now Cannabis Culture).

At its peak, Marc's Hemp BC enterprise employed over 50 people in a spectacular array of pot-related services. Marc was featured on CNN, the Wall Street Journal, the National Enquirer, and a variety of other high-profile media outlets, where he was dubbed "The Prince of Pot."

RAIDS AND DESTRUCTION

This media attention put immense US pressure on Canadian police and authorities. Hemp BC weathered two severe police raids, the first on January 4, 1996, the second on December 16, 1997. Marc Emery lost hundreds of thousands of dollars of stock in both raids. Police simply emptied his store of all their bongs, pipes, vapourizers and seeds, without laying any charges.

During the raids members of the community protested the police, and local activists like David Malmo-Levine were punched, kicked and dragged by handcuffs for their peaceful actions.

Marc eventually decided to sell Hemp BC to his manager, Sister Icee, hoping that without his presence police raids would cease. They didn't, and after two raids in 1998, ongoing refusal of a business license and severe police harassment, Sister Icee closed the doors of Hemp BC and the Cannabis Café. Marc continues to sell pot seeds, and publishes Cannabis Culture magazine.

Other stores in Canada also continue to suffer police raids, their pipes and books seized, often without charges being laid, merchandise essentially stolen by police. Yet despite the fall of Hemp BC, bongs, pipes and grow books are

now openly available in every Canadian city, and although Section 462.2 remains on the books, raids are sporadic and rare.

SUCCESS AND CHALLENGES

Despite the loss of Hemp BC, Marc's publishing and pot-seed ventures have continued to thrive. Cannabis Culture Magazine is a full-colour all-pot magazine that now prints 65,000 copies each issue. We come out six times a year and are distributed across North America. Our magazine exists symbiotically with Marc Emery's marijuana seed sales, as each issue contains his complete 9 page catalog.

We are hoping to expand Cannabis Culture into Australia and Europe and are very active on the internet. We are launching a new web site called "pot-tv.net" which will provide live and recorded marijuana news and entertainment over the web. We will have call-in shows, pot-prize giveaways, and lots of fun.

Yet despite our excitement over the future of Cannabis Culture, there are signs of difficult times ahead.

Pro-pot information is banned in most western democracies. Canada, Australia, Britain, France and Germany all have laws against promoting or advocating the use or production of illegal plants. These laws are enforced to varying degrees: British pot-zines must carry disclaimers that they don't actually advocate doing any of the things they're talking about; French authorities have driven two pot-zines out of business and actively crack down on pro-pot books, magazines and web sites; Australia has harsh anti-pot censorship laws, and a store in Melbourne called PolyEster was raided in December 1999, with copies of Cannabis Culture, High Times and grow books being carted away.

Most scary for us is a bill recently passed by the US Senate, and under review in the House of Representatives. It bans all discussion about the manufacture of any illegal substance, on the internet, in a book, or even in private conversation. Telling someone else how to grow a pot plant will become punishable by up to 10 years in prison.

The bill is called the Methamphetamine Anti-proliferation Act (S.486) but it's not really about methamphetamine. (By the way, meth is a safer and more effective drug than caffeine when used the right way.) The bill also adds a 10 year mandatory minimum sentence for causing "potential harm to the environment" while producing an illegal substance. This could apply to a pot-grower doing some renovating in a public park to help his outdoor grow.

It is the censorship aspects of the bill which most worry us. US Customs seized 50 tons of hemp seed in August 1999 and held it for over 5 months. If they choose to seize our magazines at the border and hold them for 5 months it could drive us out of business, as we sell over half our copies in the US.

At Cannabis Culture we feel that the censorship aspects of this bill are aimed in large part right at us. US Drug Czar Barry McCaffrey specifically quoted the Cannabis Culture web site in a speech before Congress about a month before this bill was first introduced, and claimed that he was "getting rolled in the public arena."

McCaffrey complained how, "on the internet a child can link to a site that states: 'Overthrow the Government! Grow your own stone! It's easy! It's fun! Everybody's doing it! Growing marijuana: a fun hobby the whole family can enjoy!'"

Although it's an honour to be quoted at the highest levels of the US government, McCaffrey misquoted me, as the original page reads "Overgrow the government!" A subtle but important difference.

Even the supposedly censorship-proof internet could be vulnerable to such a censorship bill. While it's difficult to stop independent web sites based outside of the US, major online retailers like Amazon.com and Barnes and Noble could be coerced into dropping the hundreds of grow books and drug-related titles they now carry.

DESPERATE MEASURES

It is my belief that as the anti-prohibitionist movement continues to gain in strength, the forces which oppose liberalization will become more desperate and more eager to use the tools at their disposal. Their tools are violence, censorship and propaganda. And indeed over the past few years we have seen an increase in the use of SWAT teams and military units in domestic anti-drug actions. We have seen stepped-up propaganda, with federal web sites, TV and radio ads constantly demonizing and degrading marijuana and illicit drug users. And we are seeing an increase in censorship laws, especially in regards to the internet.

Most public libraries have installed programs like Cybersitter or Netnanny which claim to make the internet "safe for children" by removing access to pornography. But these information-blocking devices all also ban pro-pot web sites like cannabisculture.com, as well as other non-pornographic sites deemed too politically subversive. So oddly many libraries carry Cannabis Culture magazines and pot-grow books, but don't provide access to their web sites.

So there are challenges ahead for Cannabis Culture as we press forward and fight for personal autonomy, freedom of information and an end to the drug war. I see a parallel between the current worldwide prohibition on psychoactive plants as being analogous to the medieval Dark Ages before the enlightenment. Luther's revolution succeeded because of the recent invention of the printing press, which allowed him to spread his radical and subversive ideas in a way never before possible. Now we have the inter-net which is once again bypassing censors and revolutionizing world communication.

I believe that when we end the drug war and redirect those energies in a positive way, we will experience a global reformation, like the age of enlightenment which swept Europe as it broke free from the Dark Ages of enforced ignorance and superstition. The war on drugs is a war on the human mind and spirit. Let us end this battle against ourselves, and continue on our journey to experience mankind's full potential.

Long live cannabis culture! Onwards to enlightenment!

PAIN TRUTH By Big Jim Bristow
(Article from the NACPAC Track North
American Chronic Pain Association of
Canada)

The time has come for people who have Chronic Pain to say, loud and clear, "I am mad as hell and I am not going to take it anymore." I believe the time has come to apply that comment to what they are forced to live with every day, with little or no help, in spite of the **availability of pain relief medications.**

Imagine waking up every morning to yet another day that you know will be filled with pain severe enough to drive you to tears. I am talking about a pain that has robbed you of the ability to earn a living, to enjoy a normal life, to manage even the simplest of tasks, a pain that has all but destroyed your quality of life. Only the person who feels that kind of pain can measure the true intensity of its impact on the body, mind and soul.

Chronic Pain can be the result of an accident, disease, physical deterioration, age or many other factors. While even narcotic medications will not completely eliminate the pain, they can at least lower the intensity enough for the person to at least function in an acceptable manner with some **dignity and quality of life.** In some cases they may be able to remain in an employable situation. Unfortunately, most doctors are afraid to prescribe strong narcotic medication for the very real fear of reprisal and legal ramifications. Patients are told they simply must learn to live with it!

Under existing law and rules of medical and pharmaceutical regulatory bodies, a doctor who prescribes narcotics could lose the right to prescribe for patients, lose hospital privileges, have their license

revoked and possibly face prosecution. Effective medications like Morphine, Percodan or Percocet. Demerol and others may not even be considered.

New laws must be made by people in power who are willing to take off their social and politically correct blinders and deal reasonably and with compassion regarding the needs of people who suffer from Chronic Pain. As it is, doctors who have been sworn to relieve pain and suffering are being told by legislators and policing agencies to what degree they can apply their skills.

There are basically three major problems with narcotics, which impact on the ability of the Chronic Pain person to obtain narcotic prescription medication. First, the mere mention of the word "NARCOTICS" conjures up visions of social degenerates, addicts, criminals, crime and other **negative images.** So great are the negative and sensational aspects on narcotic related problems that the positive, constructive and beneficial side of the product rarely sees the light of day in a media story.

Secondly, there is the problem for the doctor of **image perception** by co-workers, regulators, the police and even the general public. A doctor who becomes known to be overly free when prescribing narcotics will draw more new patients to his or her waiting room than flies on a jar of honey. The doctor may also draw unwanted attention from other areas as well.

Thirdly, the problem of potential psychological dependence or addiction should be a major concern. There is a belief in some medical circles that prolonged use of prescription narcotics will result in addiction. What I can do and do agree with

here, speaking from experience, is that a person with true Chronic Pain who takes narcotic medication for relief does not experience a high of any kind. The euphoric effect sought by recreational user is devoured in the Chronic Pain person by the pain itself. The person using the medication in legitimate cases feels a lowering of pain intensity. The pain is not eliminated completely but is made less debilitating.

In at least two states in the United States, doctors have fought for and won an intractable **pain law designed to protect medical professionals** compassionately helping a person in unbearable pain. We need a law like that in Canada. I would suggest that Drug Enforcement Section of the R.C.M.P. create a special Chronic Pain registry. Doctors who are now kept from doing their job as a result of fearing police will then be able to work with the police by **registering any patient who requires narcotic medication.** This could curb the senseless actions of a patient driven by pain to do something stupid. It would also take some of the heat off police resources needed to investigate what need not be an abusive situation. A person with intense pain every day does not deserved the additional insult of humiliation, suspicion, lack of respect and understanding and being treated like a criminal.

If you have a legitimate case, do not apologize for your need. Quality of life is a human right, not a political or legal gift. **No important and innovative advance has ever come from silence or lack of involvement.**

The Editor of the NACPAC Track, Christine Hugel, adds " Jim Bristow is a Chronic Pain survivor ...the excerpts from 'the Pain Truth' are just a small part of his '*Living with Chronic Pain*' cassette which covers dealing with doctors, the family, feelings etc."

ACTION TAKEN BY HEALTH CANADA

On April 27 1999 Health Canada issued a statement explaining how exemption for Medical Purposes to the Controlled Drugs and Substances Act (CDSA) could be obtained. A copy of these instructions can be obtained by writing to the BCAPL and enclosing a dollar, or if the matter is urgent phone 386 4699. .

This action is authorized by following CDSA Section 56, which states "Any power, duty or function of (a) the Minister under this Act or regulations, or (b) the Solicitor General of Canada under the regulations may be exercised or performed by any person designated, by the Minister or Solicitor General, as the case may be, for that purpose" the Minister may grant exemption, if in the opinion of the minister, exemption is needed for a medical purpose in a particular case. Regulations require a letter from a doctor, but see above.

Health Canada has initiated research studies on medical marijuana, and is looking for a Canadian source of medical grade marijuana, and have given two people with AIDS, living in Ontario, the right to cultivate a personal supply of cannabis.

VANCOUVER ISLAND CANNABIS BUYERS CLUB

Providing Marijuana and cannabis-based products to people with incurable and terminal medical conditions is now preparing to legally incorporate as a consumer cooperative. If you are interested call 381 3262

The VICBC has been studying the matter and has witnessed many people with serious medical difficulties receive

significant benefits from eating, smoking, or topically applying cannabis. At first they believed that people with incurable and terminal medical problems were the most important to help first. Though this is in some ways a very broad mandate, in other ways it is quite limited. On one hand this definition includes some people with more obscure, lesser known, medical difficulties which can be alleviated with the use of cannabis. On the other hand it excludes some authentic medical uses of cannabis, for example, women can smoke the herb for menstrual cramps. The VICBC believe that if a person could potentially live the rest of their life in pain, they should be allowed access to cannabis which is relatively safe compared to many medications.

CAN CANNABIS HEAL?

Cannabis can help with chronic pain, nausea, glaucoma, multiple sclerosis, AIDS and cancer treatments, asthma, muscle and joint disorders, and other serious medical conditions. There are a variety of ways in which cannabis can help relieve pain. One can eat or smoke marijuana to ingest the active ingredients, THC and the other cannabinoids present in cannabis, or absorb it through the skin using bathing salts or a salve. The effects of each method of ingestion depends on the individual, their present medical status, the amount taken, the setting or amount and type of food they have in their stomach, etc.

Smoking is one way, but has negative side effects which need to be considered when using it as medicine. However, the majority of negative propaganda condemning cannabis has been false and misleading. No one ever died from consuming too much cannabis.

METHADONE by Melissa Eror (from The Vancouver Area Network of Drug Users - VANDU)

The Methadone program has helped many people get off the street and stay away from illicit narcotics. It has helped to improve their quality of life and health, even those HIV positive. However, these gains are not without a price, which is the loss of freedom and control over their own lives.

No longer accountable to themselves, methadone patients are made to be accountable to those people who have taken these responsibilities away from them. Those are the methadone doctors and so-called addiction experts. Instead of empowering the individual the program is geared to demoralize, dehumanize and pacify those very individuals who have shown initiative and good faith by simply getting on the program in the first place.

Patients are seen as manipulative and dishonest by doctors. The program is geared to frustrate and anger these patients. They have been promised and expect improvement in their lives instead they are trapped in a chemical jail. Many, in fact, find the program worse than living on the street as the drug used for maintenance is physically more addictive than other narcotics and the program is punitive in nature. People are forced to sign "voluntary" contracts with their doctors promising compliance and agreement to such odious measures as witnessed or supervised urinalysis and daily witnessed ingestion.

As well, other drugs are simply not considered for the maintenance program. A range of drugs would help more people than just methadone. These include heroin and cocaine. There are many excuses as to why they should not be used. In the case of heroin and cocaine they argue that they are short acting and do not provide a steady blood/serum level. Unfortunately, this theorized need on the part of experts only

works for some. A steady blood/serum level can be the very thing that provokes continued use of street drugs.

However, an even more serious criticism of the program is that the requirements of the program and the isolation of many Methadone patients (they are no longer a part of the User culture and not yet accepted by society) leaves them with nothing meaningful to do and nowhere to go – except, of course, to the doctor and pharmacy.

It is unacceptable that counseling is considered essential for methadone patients but jobs, education and training are not.

Most patients do not feel the need for counseling but want job training, education and the ability to associate and socialize with other Methadone patients – get on with their lives.

Yet the chemical jail that the Methadone program has become leaves people demoralized and disempowered. It is no wonder that so many go back to using illicit drugs. The program needs to be tailored to individuals not demand that individuals tailor themselves and their lives to the program.

Clergy, Religious Academics Discuss Reform

Submitted by Ian Hunter

A January 18th gathering of more than 20 clergy, activists and educators in Menlo Park, California took on the questions *What role can religious institutions play in the battle for drug policy reform?* And *What would effective drug education look like?* They discussed these questions in a spirited session that could be a first step toward more organized involvement of local religious organizations in the reform effort. The event was co-sponsored by Urban Ministry of Palo Alto, a non-profit group,

and Stanford's United Campus Christian Ministry.

Featured speakers were the Rev. Howard Moody, minister emeritus of Judson Memorial Church in New York City and a longtime stalwart in progressive causes; and Marsha Rosenbaum, director of The Lindesmith Center-West in San Francisco.

Mr. Moody said that "the voice of religious institutions on drug policy has been a mere whisper. Now we need a clear and certain sound for reform" from churches, synagogues and mosques. "We must raise reasonable, fundamental questions about our failed policy," he said. "We have to reach people at an emotional level."

The Rev. Howard Moody is affiliated with Religious Leaders for a More Just and Compassionate Drug Policy, a New York City-based organization whose mission statement says: "It is not enough for us to pray for [people] and ask God to heal the addiction of drug users." The group has called for religious communities to "take seriously the task of examining and speaking out on our current drug policies."

Mr. Moody's account wove together more than 40 years of personal experience and religious history on drug users and policy. "In the late 1950's, in New York, the church was the only group that worked with heroin addicts," he recalled. "We were responding to the pain of people and families, and there were no services available to addicts -- not a bed, not a treatment center. The closest facility to New York was in Lexington, Kentucky."

He offered several suggestions for what people can do today for reform. "First, we can seek out and support reasonable proposals for reform. We also can't let ourselves be frightened or intimidated by the drug warriors." He described his indignation at a recent National Prayer Breakfast when Drug Czar Barry McCaffrey said that it had

never been more important to pray for our young people.

"What about praying for all the African-American families your drug war has ruined?", Mr. Moody thought to himself at the time. He also urged audience members to push past the inevitable feelings of discouragement, as difficult as that can be. "We have to transcend our sense of futility in trying to end this deadly national tragedy," he declared.

He urged his listeners to heed the example of the prophet Isaiah and to "seek justice" with all the energy they can muster. In her lunchtime talk, Marsha Rosenbaum described a 25-year professional and personal odyssey and her extensive work on drug education. "Honesty is absolutely the key," she said. "What passes for drug education has made kids very cynical."

Rosenbaum noted that realistic descriptions of marijuana are crucial to establishing the credibility of drug education.

"What kids are told about pot is inconsistent with their own experience. They hear -- and are still hearing -- that pot is addictive. Then they learn it isn't, and they discount all the other messages," she said. Rosenbaum said parents should learn as much as they can about drugs and drug policy and insist on better drug education for their children.

What would such education look like?

"It has to be honest -- based on scientifically sound data," she said. "We also have to integrate drug education with other parts of the curriculum to make it meaningful and real."

Finally, Rosenbaum called for a "risk reduction" component to be pervasive in drug education. "We have to tell kids how to reduce the risks of harm if they decide to experiment," she declared. "The bottom line is health and safety."

At the end of the gathering, several people in the group agreed to work on forming a

speakers' bureau whose goal would be to spread the policy reform "gospel" at Bay Area.

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THE CHURCH AND THE LAW

Israelite law defined religious faith for Israelites, but Christians were not happy with that.. John, in his gospel stated the Christian position "The Law was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ."

Christianity began under Roman law. The Sanhedrin, the highest court of the Jewish nation, called for Jesus to be crucified. But this had to be done under Roman law, so Pilate the Governor, had to agree. One might suppose that this would have alienated Christians. but the letter to the Romans, which the church has attributed to Paul, states "Let every person be subject to the governing authorities. For there is no authority except from God...For rulers are not a terror to good conduct but to bad.... He does not bear the sword in vain; he is the

servant of God to execute his wrath on the wrongdoer” Romans 1.1,3 &4.

About three hundred years later, Constantine, fighting to claim the Roman Empire, had a vision of a flaming cross with the writing in Greek “In this sign conquer”. So he had this sign put on his soldier’s armor.

This was the beginning of agreement between the church and those in power. This is illustrated by article 37 of the 39 articles of the Church of England which states “It is lawful for Christian men, at the commandment of the Magistrate, to wear weapons, and serve in the wars.”

Some Christians however do not accept this. Christian Pacifists remember that Jesus said: “You have heard that it was said, ‘An eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth’ But I say unto you, Do not resist one who is evil. But if anyone strikes you on the right cheek, turn to him the other also.”

While the BCAPL is not pacifist it believes that we need to restrain the use of the law and apply it to people who threaten or hurt others, not to those who hurt themselves even if other people get hurt in the process.

In connection with our use of substances other words of Jesus are relevant: “There is nothing outside a man which by going into him can defile him; but the things which come out of a man are what defile him”

Jesus then explains himself more clearly “What comes out of a man is what defiles him. For from within, out of the heart of man come evil thoughts, fornication, theft, murders, adultery, coveting, wickedness, deceit, pride, licentiousness, envy, slander, pride, foolishness.”

The emphasis regarding the use of the law is on what comes out of a person.

We believe that the law can prohibit the sale of a substance to a child, but not to an adult, and that the law must be changed all over the world to conform to this principal.

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