

me "pot" is soaked in op-  
m, morphine, and other  
ore dangerous drugs

And marijuana coming  
rom the Middle East and  
Vietnam is usually strong-  
er than that coming from  
Mexico and especially  
rom the United States.  
(ou can't be too careful  
and I suppose the best way  
o be careful is not to  
moke at all. (Signed: One  
who is careful.)

If it is true that familiarity  
eeds contempt, I hope  
hat I tell you now about  
arijuana will breed suffi-  
ent contempt for this Indi-  
hemp plant to say "no" if  
u are ever offered a joint.  
your peers it will enable  
u to resist such jeers as  
on't be chicken."

When it is smoked, it en-  
ers the blood stream quick-  
ly and immediately begins to  
fect the user's mood --  
aising anything from mild  
phoria I mentioned earlier  
more extensive personali-  
changes bordering on psy-  
osis and suicide.

We know what physical ef-  
ect it has, but not just how it  
erts such effect. We don't  
ow the long term effects of  
e drug, but short term re-  
ctions are: reddening of  
hites of the eyes, coughing  
e to irritation, rapid pulse,  
ynes of throat, increased  
nger and drowsiness.

But it's the emotions that  
eem to bear the impact of  
ts action. Time becomes  
istorted. Minutes seem  
ke hours. Colors and  
ounds are intensified. Al-  
hough the individual user  
eels high, nevertheless he  
ends to withdraw into him-  
self.

He may burst into uncon-  
rollable tears or laughter,  
e may become suspicious  
nd abnormally anxious. He  
annot make good judg-  
ments. His reflexes are  
unted. (Therefore his poor  
riving.)

Marijuana is not a narcotic  
nd doesn't cause physical  
ependence, therefore ordi-  
ary withdrawal does not  
ause symptoms of physical  
ickness. But if taken regu-  
arly the drug may cause  
ychological dependence.

And, of course the real dan-  
er is that the marijuana  
ser may become a real nar-  
otic addict. No direct cause-  
nd - effect link has been  
iscovered. Nevertheless, re-  
earchers have found that  
he one predisposed to using  
ne type of drug may be like-  
y to go on to using much  
stronger drugs.

This is no time or place for  
going into a discussion of the  
egal aspect of marijuana.  
All I ask is that youngsters  
earn to say no to any invita-

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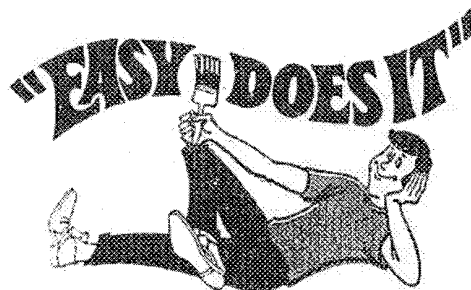


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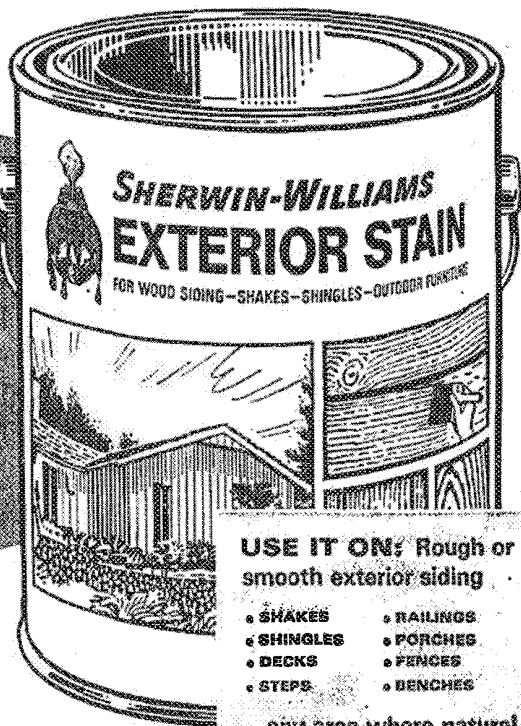
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