

DOPE - WHO ME ?

WASHINGTON (ZNS-CUP)---
 It cost the U.S. Army \$1.8 million and eight years of research, but the project is now complet: the army has successfully produced a near-perfect dope-sniffing dog. Army veterinarian major Jeffery Linn says that animal researchers have been breeding dogs at the Aberdeen proving ground in Maryland since 1969 attempting to perfect the ideal dog for spotting illegal contraband in packages. According to the major, a special kind of german shepard was ideally suited for the work -- except for two severe drawbacks. One of the drawbacks was that most of the sharp-scented shepards have a congenital hip defect which makes it difficult for them to climb over moving and bound across moving conveyor belts; a second problem was that many others had a "sluggish" disposition, causing them to sit down on the job.



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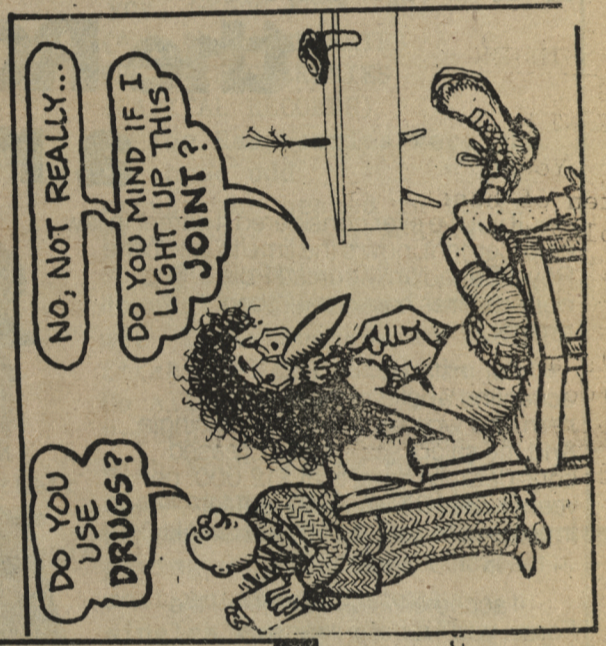
BLUE ASH (ENS-CUP) -- Grass-loving thieves have pulled a reverse bust on the local constabulary by making off with eight bales of marijuana being held in the city police headquarters in the Ohio town.

The pot, valued at \$200,000 was being held as evidence for a local court trial.

According to police reports, the thieves gained access to the marijuana by smashing a window in the middle of the night while the night-shift officer was away from his desk. Said Chief Ron Spurgill, "It was very embarrassing. Nothing like this has ever happened to us before." The Chief noted that the burglars obviously knew what they were doing. "If people want to get in," he told the New York Times, "they'll get in."

However, Major Linn said, after a lengthy breeding process which produced 1996 puppies, a veritable superdog has finally been developed that enthusiastically goes about its sniffing job with no physical problems at all.

WASHINGTON (ZNS-CUP)---
 In a land mark decision the federal government has decided to supply about five marijuana joints a day to a young school teacher who save his eyesight. Twenty-eight year old Robert Randall of Washington D.C. has been informed he can now drop by the offices of the national institute of drug abuses once a week to pick up his personal allotment of high-quality government grown weed. The government's decision comes as a result of Randall's arrest on pot charges last year. Instead of simply pleading guilty to possessing marijuana, Randall stated that he was functioning blind in one eye and rapidly losing sight in the other as a result of the eye disease, glaucoma.



1. POT ??
... SURE

2. I TRIED IT ONCE

3. BUT IT GAVE ME THIS BALD SPOT

4. SO I WOULDN'T RECOMMEND IT OVER BEER...
YA KNOW WHAT I MEAN??
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He added that pot-smoking relieved the symptoms of the disease, and produced medical studies and doctor's statements to back up his claim.

The 28 year old teacher claimed that the government-in denying him marjuana- was preventing him from exercising what he call his "constitutional right to sight."

This week, the government relented. The drug institute says that under a special experimental program, Randall will be entitled to weekly allotemtns of pot grown at the government's marijuana plantation in Mississippi.

However, a criminal complaint against Randall in the courts is still pending.



the National Organization for the Reform of Marijuana Laws. The October 21 benefit in San Francisco will feature a Fabulous Furry Freak Brothers Look-Alike Contest, with the winners being invited to make a screen test for the film's lead roles.

SAN FRANCISCO (ENS-CUP)---
 The Fabulous Furry Freak Brothers, those dope-smoking underground comix characters, will finally find their way onto the silver screen. Producers Paul Badu and Richard Dupell say, early next year, they will begin filming the Freak Brothers in Gone With the Weed. The story will involve the brothers' efforts to remain high, while avoiding the ever-present Norbert-the-Mark. The feature-length film is tentatively set for release next fall. The Freak Brothers film will feature live actors, rather than animation. And, the actors will be selected through a unique casting contest to raise money for