

Let marijuana take place of alcohol says youngster

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This comment is worth reading, if only because of the fact that the writer is a junior high school student.

Why is marijuana illegal? Because most people say that alcohol is a problem and that marijuana would be a similar

problem, if legalized. Why not let marijuana take the place of alcohol? The good and bad points of both have been weighed out before and it seems to have been proven time and time again that the wrong one is legal. The

government would profit in taxes to about the same amount, if not more.

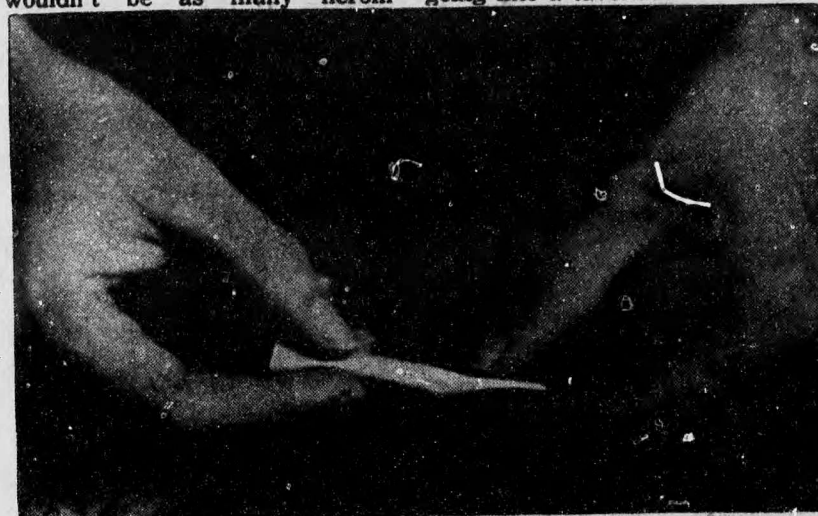
Most people that are against marijuana don't know enough about it and aren't willing to find out because it is a drug for kicks, leisure or pastime. Some people won't allow the word "marijuana" to enter their house, while they have bottles of booze stashed away in their cupboards. Isn't alcohol a drug for pastime, leisure or kicks? Most "drinking people" (and most people are) say, "I can sit down and drink a "socially acceptable" amount with little or no effect". But what about the thousands that can't or don't? How many are in hospitals with liver conditions, heart, kidney conditions and shot nerves because of alcohol? Have you ever read in the newspaper or television or radio that a person was put in the hospital because of an overdose of T.H.C. (active ingredient in marijuana).

People say as an argument if it weren't for marijuana there wouldn't be as many heroin

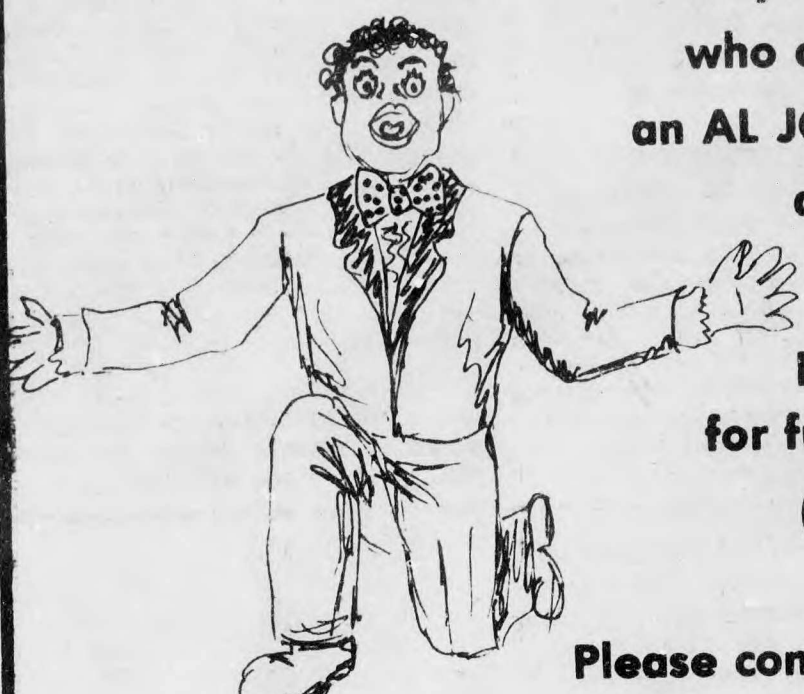
addicts. But truly, if there was no marijuana the addicts would just start with mescaline, LSD, MDA and other drugs and so on, leading upward. A heroin addict is on his way to being one whether there is marijuana or not.

What about highway accidents because of alcohol compared to marijuana? Have you ever heard of a highway accident because of marijuana? Maybe you have, or did you just hear it from a neighbour, probably the same one that you acquired all your other knowledge on the subject from.

There certainly will be lots of people out of jobs because they have criminal records as a result of marijuana laws, a senseless bunch of laws because how many people don't smoke-up because it is illegal and how many quit smoking after being busted? In my experiences, which are fair or better than fair, I would say practically none. So why deprive people of jobs and reputations for doing practically nothing, at least doing something less than a guy going into a tavern?



Marijuana should be allowed to take the place of alcohol in society writes a junior high school student. He suggests it be legalized.




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