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AUSTRALIA

BRIEFS

AUSTRALIAN MARIJUANA BUST--A Sydney magistrate was told today that cannabis worth a street value of more than \$4 million had been brought into Australia concealed in a furniture shipment. Three people were before the court charged with importing and possessing cannabis. (Deron Irwin), age 35, an American; and (Virginia Fitzpatrick), 33, and (David Ferguson), both of Sydney, were remanded without bail for a fortnight. The court was told that two containers had arrived at the Botany Bay terminal from Thailand last week. (Ferguson) had taken one of the containers to a home in the Sydney suburb of Mona Vale which police raided. They then arrested the three people. Police seized Thai cannabis sticks weighing more than 400 kilograms. [Text] [Melbourne Overseas Service in English 1130 GMT 28 Jul 80]

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BURMA

EDITORIAL EXAMINES CAMPAIGNS AGAINST DRUGS

Rangoon THE WORKING PEOPLE'S DAILY in English 23 Jul 80 p 5

[Editorial]

[Text]

THE "drug problem" is besetting a considerable section of the human population today and the nations of the world are up in arms to stamp out this scourge of human degradation.

Here in Burma, the fight against the drug problem is being carried out in many forms—from efforts to eliminate narcotic drugs at their source to treatment and rehabilitation of drug addicts.

Tatmadaw troops, policemen and the working people are working in concert to seek out and destroy narcotic drugs at their source and to wipe out heroin refineries run by insurgent drug-traffickers in regions of difficult access. Such anti-drug campaigns are meeting with considerable success with the result that Burma has been credited for its anti-narcotics action.

While suppressing poppy cultivation, the State has not neglected former poppy growers. They are being educated on the dangers of narcotic drugs and being supplied with necessary implements, chemical fertilizers and other inputs to enable them to take up other useful crops.

Coupled with campaigns waged to stamp out narcotic drugs at their source, intensive and extensive efforts are being continued to effectively deal with the drug problem—to detect and eliminate all sources of drug production, transport and

distribution through various stages from the jungle heroin refineries to the small time pushers in the city.

At the same time, it is interesting to note that the drug addicts themselves are not forgotten. Steps are being taken to provide better treatment for the drug addicts not only at the Narcotic Drugs Addiction Treatment and Research Department at the Psychiatric Hospital in Rangoon but also at Drug Addiction Treatment Centres opened in various States and Divisions.

In addition to such drug addiction treatment centres opened at the divisional hospitals, it is interesting to note that similar centres run by traditional medicine practitioners have also been opened. A case in point is the centre for treatment of drug addicts which opened in the Hante village monastery compound in Bhamo Township on 15 July.

This is an important aspect in the fight against the drug problem. Stepped up treatment and rehabilitation measures to create conducive conditions for former addicts to regain a respectable place in society are essential in our on-going efforts to overcome the drug problem.

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BURMA

BRIEFS

TRIAL OF HEROIN TRAFFICKER--Moulmein township court No 1 had on 24 June sentenced Than Win of Moulmein-Tavoy Tada Road to 5 years imprisonment as he was found guilty under Sections 6.B and 14.D of the Narcotic Drugs Law. He was caught with a package of heroin by the police of Daingwungwin ward, Moulmein, on 13 July 1979. [Rangoon MYANMA ALIN in Burmese 1 Jul 80 p 6]

SEIZURE OF OPIUM--A team of policemen led by Station Commander U Maung Maung of Myoma Police Station in Mergui, accompanied by ward councillors, raided the house of U Than Pe in Yenanye ward on 25 June and arrested U Than Pe and Maung Aye Win along with 11 small packages of opium and opium smoking paraphernalia. Action was taken against them under Sections 6.B and 10.B of the Narcotic Drugs Law. [Rangoon MYANMA ALIN in Burmese 3 Jul 80 p 6]

JAIL TERM FOR OPIUM TRAFFICKER--The court of Tatkon, Mandalay Division, handed down a 10-year jail term to Daw Khin Nu of Bo Min Yaung ward, Tatkon, under Section 10.B of the Narcotic Drugs Law on 25 June. The case was that on 16 August 1979, a team of policemen and councillors searched her house and seized some opium oil, a cash of 12 kyat which was the proceeds from sale of opium oil and about 1 viss [1 viss equals 3.6 lbs] of raw opium hidden underground. [Rangoon MYANMA ALIN 3 Jul 80 p 6]

OPIUM SEIZURE--On 6 June, a team of policemen from Thegon township people's police force searched 20-year old Ma Nan Shwe alias Ma Khin Kyi of Pinlon village, Hsenwi township, Shan State, near Wetpok village bridge on the Prome-Rangoon highway and seized 2.5 viss [1 viss equals 3.6 lbs] of black opium from her hand bag. [Rangoon MYANMA ALIN in Burmese 18 Jun 80 p 6]

HEROIN SEIZURE--Acting on information, ward councillors and a team of policemen searched the house of Daw Tin Nyunt in Ward No 11, Market quarter, Tamu, Sagaing Division, on 19 May and seized two penicillin bottles of heroin. Action is being taken against Daw Tin Nyunt under Sections 6 (B), 10 (B) of the Narcotic Drugs Law. [Rangoon MYANMA ALIN in Burmese 21 Jun 80 p 6]

PACKAGES OF HEROIN SEIZED--On 12 June, policemen from Mergui's Myoma police station led by Sub-Inspector U Myo Myint searched the house of Maung San Win

in Alegyun ward and seized two small packages of heroin. Maung San Win was arrested. On 13 June, the same police team searched the house of Maung Kyaung Gyi in Zedan ward and seized 14 small packages of heroin, a syringe and a needle. Maung Kyaung Gyi, Ma San Myint and Daw Aye Myint were arrested. [Rangoon MYANMA ALIN in Burmese 23 Jun 80 p 6]

MOULMEIN HEROIN SEIZURE--On 27 May, police lance corporal U Aung Kyaw and a squad from Moulmein city people's police station searched On Than, alias Pho Cho, of Moulmein's Daw Lan ward, and Than Tun in front of Kawhtin school on Maha Myatmuni pagoda road. The search uncovered a packet of heroin worth 25 kyat and a cigarette laced with heroin. Charges have been filed under Sections 6.B and 10.B of the Narcotic Drugs Law. [Bangkok BOTATAUNG in Burmese 6 Jun 80 p 5]

SEIZURE OF HEROIN--Acting on information, drugs suppression team led by the station commander of Lashio's No 1 police station and people's councillors and people's militiamen of No 5 Aung Mingala ward searched the house of Daw Htan Yin Kyain on Damma Yeiktha road on 29 June and seized from Daw Htan Yin Kyain's daughter Ma Saing Lan about 41 ticals [100 ticals equals 3.6 lbs] of heroin worth over 50,000 kyat, hidden in 18 Thai-made detergent boxes. Action was taken under Sections 6.B and 7.B of the Narcotic Drugs Law. [Rangoon MYANMA ALIN in Burmese 11 Jul 80 p 6]

JAIL TERM FOR HEROIN USER--On 29 June, Moulmein township court No 1 handed down a 5-year jail term on Raja as he was found guilty under Sections 6.B and 14.D of the Narcotic Drugs Law. The case was that on 7 March 1978, a team of policemen led by Sub-Inspector U Ohn Kyaing of Moulmein Myoma police station searched Raja at Mydar field and seized a syringe and a needle used in injecting heroin. [Rangoon MYANMA ALIN in Burmese 11 Jul 80 p 6]

SEIZURE OF RAW OPIUM, HEROIN--Crime suppression campaign led by Lashio township people's council is being carried out in accordance with Project "Galon." Accordingly on 3 July, 18 packets of raw opium weighing 14.1 viss [1 viss equals 3.6 pounds] and worth about 30,000 kyat were found hidden on the bodies of 7 women passengers on two small buses about to leave Lashio for Mandalay. Police station No 1 has taken necessary action under the Narcotic Drugs Law after it was found out that Ma Swe Kham, Air Aung, Air Hkam, Mai Win, Aye Myint, Ma Khaung and Ma Mai Ngin were hired carriers for Pha Lon, alias Aung Kyaw, of ward No 12. Similarly on 29 June, acting on information, township council chairmen and members, ward councillors, U Thein Naing, commander of the police station No 1, and subinspector U Win Myint Maw searched and found .41 viss of heroin valued at about 40,000 kyat hidden inside "Thanpaya" brand soap by Daw Htang Yin Kyein and her daughter Ma Sai Lang of Damma Yeiktha street in Ward No 5. Charges have been filed under Sections 6.B and 10.B [of the Narcotic Drugs Law]. Drugs seized in the two cases were worth over 70,000 kyat. [Text] [Rangoon LOKTHA PYEITHU NEZIN in Burmese 15 Jul 80 p 5]

CRACK DOWN ON DEALERS, USERS--Police, people's militia and ward councillors under the leadership of Kyaukme township people's council are carrying out drug and crime suppression under project "galon." "Undercover members of project 'galon' who were waiting near Daw Tin Aye's residence in Budawin quarter of 7th ward in Kyaukme searched Maung Khin Maung Lwin of 6th ward and found 11 packets of heroin each worth 15 kyat. Acting on information supplied by Maung Khin Maung Lwin, the search party raided Daw Tin Aye's residence and seized 14 packets of heroin each worth 15 kyat and 130 kyat obtained from heroin sales." [Rangoon MYANMA ALIN in Burmese 19 Jul 80 p 6]

COURT JAILS TWO MEN--Moulmein township court No 2 today found U Thaug Shwe, 49, of 509th ward of Mandalay and U Hla Myint, 48, of Moulmein's Dine-wun-kwin ward guilty as charged under Sections 5.B, 6.B, 10.B and 11 of the Narcotic Drugs Law and sentenced U Thaug Shwe to 10 years imprisonment and U Hla Myint to 5 years imprisonment. The case was that on 4 April 1979, Aukkyin ward people's council executives and Dine-wun-kwin ward councillors raided "Shan monastery and found 12 viss [1 viss equals 3.6 pounds] of cooked opium and .3 viss of raw opium being cooked in a flat pan." Charges were filed in court against the two culprits following the seizure. [Rangoon MYANMA ALIN in Burmese 20 Jul 80 p 6]

'OPIUM KING' FREED--Lo Hsing-han, known as the opium king of the Golden Triangle until he was sentenced to death on treason charges, is a free man, official sources in Bangkok confirmed yesterday. They said Lo, who was arrested in Thailand in 1973 and deported to Burma, where he was tried for high treason, anti-government activities, opium and heroin trafficking and gem smuggling, was released about a month ago after the Burmese Government announced a mass amnesty for all anti-government activists. A Burmese of Chinese origin, Lo was rated top warlord in the Golden Triangle. His supporters originally helped the Rangoon Government fight communist insurgents in the area, but when in 1973 the Government asked him to disband his group, he refused and signed a pact with other rebel groups, was elected supreme of the northern Shan State Revolutionary Council and declared war against the central Burmese Government. [Text] [Bangkok POST in English 17 Jul 80 p 1]

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HONG KONG

CUSTOMS OFFICERS SMASH KOWLOON HEROIN RING

Hong Kong SOUTH CHINA MORNING POST in English 16 Jul 80 p 1

[Report by Walter Cheung]

[Text]

Customs officers have smashed a drug ring which dealt in No 3 heroin for various districts in Kowloon.

And they have arrested a 29-year-old man suspected of being the ringleader and operating a syndicate for over a year.

The man, an employee of a finance company, was arrested together with the 30-year-old proprietor of a Mongkok stationery and toy shop and his wife.

The arrest was made after a two-month investigation by customs officers under the direction of Superintendent Tong Kang-sing.

On Monday the officers followed a man as he left his

Kun Tong home and eventually drove to a stationery and toy shop in Fa Yuen Street.

He was spotted leaving through a rear entrance carrying a plastic bag.

Although the bag contained no drugs, officers entered the shop and found 6.5 kilograms of No 3 heroin and 280 grams of quinine, with a retail value of about \$3 million.

The proprietor and his wife were detained last night.

They were expected to appear in North Kowloon Court this morning charged with possessing dangerous drugs for unlawful trafficking.

The 29-year-old man was released on bail of \$10,000, pending further investigations.

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HONG KONG

OPIUM WORTH HK\$200,000 SEIZED AT PORT, AIRPORT

Hong Kong SOUTH CHINA MORNING POST in English 11 Jul 80 p 10

[Text]

Customs and Excise officers have seized opium valued at \$200,000.

Customs officers said the biggest seizure was made on a Singaporean registered vessel, Cosmos Reliance.

A total of 900 grams of raw opium and dehydrated prepared opium with a retail value of \$110,000 was found concealed in a workshop lathe in the engine room of the ship.

The ship had earlier arrived from North Korea after stops in India, Sri Lanka, Malaysia and Japan.

No one was arrested.

At Kai Tak airport, officers seized 1,360 grams of opium valued at \$90,000 and arrested three Indian men.

One had arrived on a flight from Bombay with the drugs concealed in the false bottom of his suitcase and the other two were arrested when they took delivery of the drug from the suspected courier at a Tsimshatsui guest house.

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HONG KONG

ALERT ISSUED FOR 'DRUG LETTERS' FROM SAN DIEGO

Hong Kong SOUTH CHINA MORNING POST in English 10 Jul 80 p 18

[Text]

Customs and postal officers are on full alert for a number of "drug letters" said to be on their way from San Diego to Hongkong.

The letters are believed to contain packets of cocaine. Five of the "drug letters" have already surfaced.

These led to the arrest of a 29-year-old man in a Mid-Levels flat on Tuesday.

The letters arrived in two separate batches and contained cocaine worth about \$36,500 on the American market. There is no retail market value for the drug in Hongkong at the moment.

It was not known how many such "drug letters" have been posted.

The seizure on Tuesday was the first significant cocaine find made by the service.

In April, officers also seized 0.2 gram of cocaine from an American tourist.

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HONG KONG

BILL MAKES TRAFFICKING IN FAKE DRUGS AN OFFENSE

Hong Kong SOUTH CHINA MORNING POST in English 10 Jul 80 p 8

/Text/

Unofficial members have come out in favour of the Bill making trafficking in fake narcotics an offence.

At the second reading of the Dangerous Drugs (Amendment) Bill, Mr Peter Wong said that a group of Unofficials had examined the Bill.

He said the Government had agreed to a new subsection which would act as a safeguard against possible police abuse by specifying that no prosecution in respect of fake drugs should be instituted without the consent of the Attorney-General.

The Bill would introduce two changes to present drug legislation.

A person offering to traffic in what he believes to be a dangerous drug would be guilty of an offence even if the drug was a fake.

Also, a person who traffics or offers to traffic in a substance represented by him to be a dangerous drug, but which in fact is not, will be guilty of an offence, but with lighter penalties similar to those provided for deception.

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HONG KONG

BRIEFS

HEROIN RING SMASHED--Narcotics Bureau officers yesterday smashed a heroin manufacturing and distribution syndicate and arrested 11 people during a series of raids. In one of the raids, police officers forced their way into a flat in Woosung Street and arrested three men and a woman. A quantity of chemicals were also seized. [Text] [Hong Kong SOUTH CHINA MORNING POST in English 9 Jul 80 p 1]

AIRPORT HEROIN HAUL--A 29-year-old salesman was yesterday at Kai Tak airport arrested when 840 grams of suspected heroin base was found under the inner soles of his shoes. Customs officers said the drug, if converted to No 3 heroin, would be worth \$450,000 on the retail market. The man, who had arrived on a flight from Bangkok, will appear in San Po Kong Court today. [Text] [Hong Kong SOUTH CHINA MORNING POST in English 15 Jul 80 p 24]

MORPHINE PUSHING CHARGE--A couple appeared in North Kowloon Court yesterday charged with possessing about \$3 million worth of dangerous drugs for unlawful trafficking. Chan King-hoi (30) and his wife, Li Wai (30), are accused of having a quantity of salts of esters of morphine in Fa Yuen Street on Monday. No plea was taken. Mr Simon Clay remanded the couple in jail custody until next Thursday. [Text] [Hong Kong SOUTH CHINA MORNING POST in English 17 Jul 80 p 20]

DRUGS RAID ARRESTS--Police arrested 10 men and a woman in a drugs raid in San Po Kong yesterday morning. Officers from Wong Tai Sin raided a flat at 24A Kam Wing Street and found 14 packets of suspected number three heroin and some paraphernalia. The 11 will appear in San Po Kong Court tomorrow to face charges of possession of dangerous drugs for the purpose of unlawful trafficking and possession of equipment fit for smoking drugs. [Text] [Hong Kong SOUTH CHINA MORNING POST in English 20 Jul 80 p 7]

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INDONESIA

JOINT ANTINARCOTIC CAMPAIGN WITH AUSTRALIA

BK051049 Hong Kong AFP in English 1023 GMT 5 Aug 80

[Text] Jakarta, 5 Aug (AFP)--Cooperation between the Indonesian and Australian police in the antinarcotic campaign was paid off in the form of substantially reduced flow of narcotics to Australia and an increasing number of dope-connected arrests made, according to an Australian liaison officer here.

Kerry Hill, an Australian senior police antinarcotic officer posted here since January last year under the cooperation arrangement, told the ANTARA News Agency the narcotic traffic from Indonesia to Australia had been sharply reduced in the past 20 months. Also, many more arrests have been made than was the norm previously, he added.

Indonesia being a natural transit area for the narcotic traffic to Australia, he said it was in Australia's own interest to exchange vital information on narcotics and suspected narcotic rings with Indonesia and to help train Indonesian customs as well as police antinarcotic officials.

A number of Indonesian customs officers will next year undergo training in narcotic detection in Australia with the use of sleuth-hounds.

He said the drug traffic to Australia follows the route: Thailand to Malaysia or Singapore, thence to Aceh or Medan in North Sumatra, and on to Jakarta or Bali.

Bali, visited by an average 40,000 Australian tourists annually, is a key stepping stone for dope traffickers to Australia, he noted.

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NEW ZEALAND

CONVICTIONS FOR HEROIN POSSESSION, TRAFFICKING REPORTED

Thomas Arthur Adderley

Auckland THE NEW ZEALAND HERALD in English 24 Jun 80 p 5

/Text/ Auckland entertainer Thomas Arthur Adderley was yesterday found guilty of possessing heroin following a trial in the High Court at Auckland.

<p>He was found not guilty on the original charge of possessing heroin for supply. Adderley, aged 39, was remanded on bail for a probation report and sentence. The trial was before Mr Justice Barker and a jury of five men and seven women. Mr I. F. Williams appeared for the accused, and Mr I. R. Winkel for the Crown. Detective Sergeant David Alistair Horsburgh, a member of the Auckland drug squad, said police had spoken to Adderley in Khyber Pass Rd on November 21 last year. The accused had stopped his car to check the oil. When the police approached him, he tried to get out of the passenger door of his car, but was stopped by two policemen.</p>	<p>The accused had thrown a package into the back seat of the police car. It was later analysed and was found to contain 230 milligrams of heroin which was 2 per cent pure. Detective Sergeant Horsburgh said the heroin would have had a street value of about \$1610. He said when heroin was sold on the street, each dealer diluted it with foreign material such as glucose or lactose. Detective Sergeant Horsburgh said the drug was often stored in small pieces of paper folded to form an envelope. Detective Constable Russell Murray Gibson, of the Auckland drug squad, said he went with other members of the squad to the accused's</p>	<p>house in Epsom on November 21. The premises were searched and a notepad was found which had numerous small pieces of paper cut out of it. In the kitchen a packet of glucose was found and in the bedroom was an empty bottle of methadone. Adderley said that in late 1979 he had just completed a course of methadone treatment at a drug dependency clinic. He said the mental stress had been so great he had begun using heroin again. Adderley said the glucose found in his kitchen was used as a sugar substitute in his diet. The notepad had been cut up and used to make "mock-ups" for newspaper advertisements and for leaflets.</p>
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Brian Christopher Mules

Wellington THE EVENING POST in English 5 Jul 80 p 8

[Text] Christchurch, July 4 (PA)--A drug pusher with substantial assets, who was involved in the distribution of heroin with a street value estimated at \$76,500, was jailed for seven years by Mr Justice Cook in the High Court at Christchurch today.

He is Brian Christopher Mules, aged 26, an electrician, who was employed by the Riccarton Borough Council. He had pleaded guilty in the District Court to three charges of supplying heroin and one of possession of heroin.

The forfeiture of \$5470, the proceeds of drug dealing, was ordered, and the amount of the fine to be imposed on Mules in addition to the seven year jail term, will be determined by the Judge next Friday after evidence called by the police has been heard.

Mr N W Williamson, for the Crown, read the statement of facts to the Court — not normally done when an accused person pleads guilty to an offence in the District Court.

Inquiry

Mr Williamson said that as a result of inquiries by the Drug Squad and Customs Department and information received, an investigation was made into the drug related activities of Mules from December, 1978. It was suspected that he was involved in the supply and distribution of heroin in Christchurch.

Early in 1980 it was established that an importation of heroin was about to take place and that Mules was operating in conjunction

with Kevin Gerrard Hathaway, a customs officer.

Between April 17 and May 23 there were four seizures of heroin in Christchurch and it was scientifically proved that all of the drug came from the same source.

Police work established that Mules was one of the principals in the distribution of No 4 grade heroin in April and May. He received the drug directly from the importer who travelled between Bangkok and New Zealand. Another person in the North Island was also supplied.

Search

At 6.30am on May 23, a search warrant was executed on Mules's home. Simultaneously a number of other addresses in Christchurch involved in the distribution of heroin were raided.

When interviewed, Mules at first denied all knowledge of the distribution of heroin, but later made a written statement admitting his involvement. He said he had become involved with drugs while travelling overseas when he met a person distributing drugs in Europe.

In April, 1980, that person came to New Zealand from Bangkok with heroin and Mules said that he

purchased three ounces of high quality from the importer for \$15,000. As he did not have the cash to pay the importer he sold an ounce to Hathaway for \$7500.

Hathaway paid Mules an instalment of \$5000 and the remaining \$2500 was to be paid on the courier's return to New Zealand. An ounce of heroin was sold to another person and Mules claimed that he threw the rest in the Avon River.

It was difficult to assess the value of the heroin which was imported because the purity and the quantity were not known. Three ounces of No 4 grade heroin imported at 60 percent and cut two and a half times before being sold at street level at a conservative price of \$150 a gram, would be about \$76,500.

In addition to the \$1000 found on Mules, \$520 was found in his house and \$4950 was found hidden in the roof of his parents' house. He admitted that the \$5470 was the proceeds of drug dealing.

Mr D J R Holderness, for Mules, said that the prisoner first became involved with heroin three years ago while overseas, but it was not until May last year that his association with the drug in New Zealand began, when he was offered a small quantity for his own use.

In April this year the person who had imported the heroin into New Zealand offered some to Mules for himself and a portion of the consignment was sold in the North Island. By that stage Mules had become addicted and when he asked for more heroin, he was told that it would be provided if he arranged for the distribution of heroin in the South Island. In addition he would be paid \$2500.

The importer wanted the deal completed as quickly as possible so that he could get out of the country with his money. That was when arrangements broke down. Mules only had \$5000 and had to give the importer \$2500 out of his own pocket.

Forfeited

The \$5470 seized by the police was owed by Mules to the drug importer and that money would be forfeited to the Crown. Mules had not gained financially from the drug distribution. He did not accept that the street value of the drug was \$76,500 as claimed by the police, but was "more in the vicinity of \$50,000," Mr Holderness said.

His drug involvement had wrecked his life, and he had let his family down and almost wrecked his marriage. He had faced up to reality by pleading guilty.

Peter Jen Nigro

Auckland THE NEW ZEALAND HERALD in English 9 Jul 80 p 4

[Text]

A man found guilty by a jury of possessing a quarter of a gram of heroin for supply was yesterday sentenced to 18 months' imprisonment.

Peter Jen Nigro, aged 26, a furniture restorer, was also fined \$1500.

His counsel, Mr B. V. Wilson, said Nigro came from an artistic family and his parents were leading New Zealand artists.

In passing sentence, Mr Justice Vautier said the quantity of heroin involved was admittedly quite small. Nigro was found in possession of 4.7 grams of powder which on analysis contained 254 milligrams of pure heroin.

But, said the judge, the offence still came into the serious category because the jury had found Nigro had been in possession of the drug for the purposes of supply.

There was no evidence before the court showing Nigro had sold heroin on other occasions and he had no prior convictions for any drug-related offences.

"There were, however, in the evidence several indications that you may well have been in the business as a small-time dealer in heroin," the judge told him.

He had been found with a syringe and \$1600 in cash. The judge accepted that Nigro had a family dependent on him but said it was extraordinary he should have exposed himself to the risks he did, bearing in mind his domestic position.

Peter Gerard Friel

Christchurch THE PRESS in English 10 Jul 80 p 4

[Excerpt]

Possession and supply of heroin were serious offences which were prevalent and the need for a deterrent was too great to permit much leniency said Mr Justice Cook before sentencing a young man to two and a half years imprisonment in the High Court yesterday.

Peter Gerard Friel, aged 27, unemployed, who had pleaded guilty in the District Court to two charges—possession of heroin and supplying heroin—was also ordered to forfeit \$1550 of drug money to the Crown.

His Honour ordered the heroin which had been seized to be destroyed.

It is possible that the Crown may appeal against the sentence on the ground that it is too lenient. Last week Mr Justice Cook sentenced an associate of Friel, Brian Christopher Mules, aged 26, an electrician, to seven years imprisonment on three charges of supplying heroin and one charge of possession of heroin.

Mules also had drug money of \$5740 forfeited to the Crown and still faces a fine which could run into several thousand dollars, after a hearing which will take place on Friday.

Friel pleaded guilty to the charges of supply and possession of heroin after the taking of depositions in the District Court.

Evidence was given that during a police search of Friel's home three plastic bags of heroin were found outside the house near the backdoor. When asked if he had any more Friel took the police into the garage, reached inside the lining of an old car seat and pulled out three more bags of heroin. A plastic bag of heroin was found inside another car seat.

During the search of the house and garage \$3156 was found and of that Friel admitted that \$1550 was owed to another person in payment for the heroin. The sum of \$779 was found in the car seats and \$400 hidden inside a torch in Friel's bedroom.

When interviewed Friel admitted possession of the heroin and claimed that he had received it from another person the day before the police raid.

He made a full statement admitting that he had sold at least six bags of heroin for \$500 each, and made \$50 on each bag. The transactions had taken place over three or four weeks.

Friel said that \$1550 of the money was owed on heroin supplied to him but he denied that the remaining money was connected with drug dealing.

Under cross-examination Detective P. R. Rogers said that Friel had stated that after he got the heroin he diluted it with glucose and passed it on to another person whom he refused to name. The detective agreed that Friel was on the lower level of the "organisation."

Mr M. A. Bungay, of Wellington, who appeared for Friel said that the prisoner had only been involved in the organisation for three or four weeks and had merely acted as a go-between for Mules, and a man whom he refused to name.

The refusal by Friel to name the third man in the drug ring should not be held against him because he genuinely feared violence and for his own safety. The threat of retribution was very real. Friel said he did not

know anyone else in the "organisation."

At first he had made no profit from the drug transactions but latterly he had been making \$50 on each bag, he sold for \$500. The profit was small and he had not been engaged in wholesale marketing of the drug. He had very few assets of note and had no previous criminal convictions.

As a satisfactory, unspectacular citizen and member of an excellent family Friel had got involved in the drug scene some three or four years ago. For a long period he was only on the fringes and did not become addicted but more recently he had developed some dependence on heroin. He had experimented with heroin out of curiosity, Mr Bungay said.

Kevin Gerrard Hathaway

Auckland THE NEW ZEALAND HERALD in English 12 Jul 80 p 8

[Excerpt] Christchurch (Press Association)--Customs officer Kevin Gerrard Hathaway was jailed for four years yesterday for his part in a heroin trafficking ring.

Hathaway, who had pleaded guilty to three counts of supplying No 4 grade heroin, was told by Mr Justice Cook in the High Court at Christchurch, that as a trained customs officer in a position of trust and responsibility, Hathaway was fully aware of the effects of the drug on others.

Hathaway was not an addict, said the judge. He earned a good income and had every prospect of continuing to do so.

Yet despite this, he said, Hathaway had chosen to make a close friend of an

addict and dealer, Brian Christopher Mules, who was receiving heroin directly from a Bangkok courier.

Trail

He said he could not accept that his involvement in the drug ring had been prompted by stupidity or naivety.

Hathaway, he said, was in it for the gain he hoped to achieve.

The trail leading to Hathaway began on April 18, when Trevor James Laird was arrested in Christchurch and charged with possession

of heroin for supply. Three grams of No 4 grade heroin, about 30 per cent pure, was seized from Laird.

For the Crown, Mr G. K. Panckhurst, said the seizure led to a major police-customs operation which pointed to Hathaway dealing with Mules.

All the men involved in the ring had been charged with drug dealing. Mules had received seven years' imprisonment after pleading guilty to three counts and was awaiting trial on the fourth. A sixth man involved in the ring, Peter Gerrard

Friel, had been jailed for two and a half years.

Counsel for Hathaway, Mr P. H. B. Hall, said that Hathaway, a customs man for 10 years, had undergone a shattering experience. His career was wrecked, his family was also shattered and he was facing imprisonment. The term should be less than the two and a half years given to Friel, submitted Mr Hall.

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NEW ZEALAND

LIFE SENTENCE ON HEROIN COUNT REDUCED TO 16 YEARS

Auckland THE NEW ZEALAND HERALD in English 25 Jun 80 p 10

[Text] Wellington (Press Association)--A life sentence for importing heroin has been reduced to 16 years by the Court of Appeal.

"This is a severe sentence," the court said. "It will be the longest finite sentence ever to have been served in New Zealand.

"It is required to demonstrate the view of the court that this is a particularly bad case, and also to give weight to the very serious assessment made by the sentencing judge."

The court — Mr Justice Woodhouse, Mr Justice Richardson and Mr Justice Ongley — allowed an appeal by Brian James Curtis, aged 45, a self-employed property developer, against the life sentence that followed his conviction in the Auckland High Court last year.

Curtis bought a sea-going yacht and — employing a Tongan navigator and two New Zealanders — sailed for Bali, the judgment said.

The object was to buy cannabis there. But Curtis was unable to do so and to avoid returning empty-handed to New Zealand he decided to bring back 500 grams of heroin he bought in Thailand.

"The amendment to the Misuse of Drugs Act, which now increases the maximum sentence to life imprisonment, is one reflection of the very serious view that our society necessarily takes of dealing in such pernicious drugs as heroin," the court said.

Deterrent

"An important purpose of the amendment is to enable severe deterrent sentences to be fixed at a level which will provide the clearest warning to any person who might be tempted to become involved.

"And by lifting the maximum sentence in this way above the already long term of 14 years, the clear intention of Parliament has been to considerably broaden the area within which it will be possible to impose ascending levels of finite sentence should added weight need to be given to the deterrent aspect of punishment.

"The line will need to be drawn at some point. But there would seem to be ample room in finite terms

for a sufficiently stern reaction by the courts in the case of really serious drug crimes, while still leaving the indeterminate maximum of life for the very worst or most heinous cases, or reserved perhaps (as has always been the position in England), for the offender who must be regarded as a long-term menace to the public.

Significant

"Drug offending is always serious but there remain significant gradations of culpability even at the upper end of the scale and it would not be right to ignore real differences by a sudden jump from 14 years, as was the former maximum, to the same ultimate sentence of life imprisonment," the court said.

"If that sentence were to be generally used for all the more serious cases, then the court would have ceased to measure justice in favour of a penalty that had become automatic."

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NEW ZEALAND

MISSING SHIP'S CARGO LINKED TO DRUG TRAFFICKING

Auckland THE NEW ZEALAND HERALD in English 15 Jul 80 p 3

[Text]

Police and customs officers now believe that three crates which disappeared from an Auckland waterfront shed contained drugs and were removed by traffickers.

A fruitless search of the ship Nedlloyd Amsterdam in Tauranga yesterday revealed the missing crates had not been inadvertently reloaded at Auckland.

The deputy collector of customs in Auckland, Mr M. G. Howley, said the "vanishing" of the crates was being taken very seriously.

"We assume that the crates contained drugs and were illegally taken," he said.

"If that is so it is a large amount of drugs that is involved.

"And, as there was no sign of forced entry, it is possible they were removed under the noses of harbour board staff."

The wooden crates, which were sent from Bangkok, weighed a total of 260 kilograms.

They were labelled as containing copperware and addressed to an Auckland firm, which had been out of business for about a year, said Mr Howley.

The crates were marked with a triple S sign inside a diamond.

Mr Howley said customs and police officers investigating the matter were seeking any information on the crates.

They were first noticed missing on Saturday from the Captain Cook Wharf shed after apparently being unloaded on Tuesday morning when the Nedlloyd Amsterdam berthed at Auckland.

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NEW ZEALAND

GOVERNMENT LABORATORY IMPROVES DRUG-HANDLING EFFICIENCY

Wellington THE EVENING POST in English 12 Jul 80 p 3

[Text]

A LARGE increase in the number of drug investigations has meant an increase in staff numbers and a substantial improvement in laboratory efficiency for the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research.

The annual report of the DSIR says the number of police and customs drug cases in which it is involved has doubled over the last four years.

Those with hard drugs, principally heroin, increased threefold, the report for the

year ending March 31 says.

Last year, some 4000 cases were investigated, 3200 involving cannabis and 360 heroin.

"This additional demand for DSIR services has required a modest increase in staff and a substantial effort to improve efficiency within the laboratories."

Standard

Standard methods for the sampling and forwarding of

seizures for analysis were adopted and the more routine analyses automated.

The latter development had led to more precise data concerning the possible impurities in the drug, which was helpful in identifying its source.

Records of all samples are now maintained on a computer which also prepares and prints the certificates of analysis once the scientist is confident of the result.

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NEW ZEALAND

CANNABIS CULTIVATION ON NORTH ISLAND ESCALATING

Auckland THE NEW ZEALAND HERALD in English 10 Jul 80 p 4

[Text]

Herald Corres Kaikohe

The head of the Northland drug squad, Detective Sergeant J. R. Carr said yesterday that cannabis cultivation was rife and escalating in the north.

He was speaking to a meeting of the Bay of Islands subprovince of Federated Farmers at Umawera.

Detective Sergeant Carr said there were people who moved north on a seasonal basis to grow cannabis.

"One aspect is that it is a means of escaping acceptable responsibilities. It is a cash crop," he said.

The use of cannabis reflected poor attitudes of many young people to society.

"They are not accepting the standards we did," he said.

Cannabis was resulting in greater social problems than before.

Detective Sergeant Carr

said he wanted people to be under no illusions about the problems and effects of cannabis.

Farmers were the backbone of the country, hard working with sound common sense, he said. They had set the moral standards for other New Zealanders, standards he would not like to see compromised.

But he was concerned that there had been cases of young farmers growing cannabis; and also cases of land being used for its growth without the owners knowing.

Detective Sergeant Carr warned the farmers against letting old houses to young people they did not know.

"If you don't know the people who want to rent an old house on your property, or their way of life, kick them out and don't give them any opportunity," he said.

"Cannabis cultivation is the greatest carrot being

langled before young people."

He also warned farmers about the dangers of selling off small lots of their properties, which might be unsuitable for ordinary farming, to young people who could use it to grow cannabis.

It should be realised that a living could not be made off a small 30 or 40-acre block with a cow, a horse and a small vegetable patch.

A great majority of people who found cannabis growing did not go directly to the police.

"A lot of our investigations are conducted on hearsay," said Detective Sergeant Carr.

He sought the assistance of the public to help to overcome the problem.

The subprovince president, Mr M. R. Tyden, asked the delegates for total support for the drug squad to control the rampant scourge of cannabis growing.

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NEW ZEALAND

HASHISH CONCENTRATE ON AIRLINER BELIEVED FROM INDIA

Auckland THE NEW ZEALAND HERALD in English 7 Jul 80 p 1

/Text/

A Customs drug-seeking dog has discovered a cognac bottle filled with hashish concentrate in an airliner at Auckland International Airport.

<p>Customs officers believe the narcotic, found in a toilet compartment on a British Airways 747 on Friday would be worth between \$2000 and \$4000 on the drug market.</p> <p>The department's chief investigating officer in Auckland, Mr S. Hartley, said the bottle was probably secreted on the London-to-Auckland aircraft when it stopped off at Bombay, in India.</p>	<p>There were several theories about the intended destination for the drug.</p> <p>Mr Hartley said that perhaps it was meant to have been picked up when the aircraft landed in Australia.</p> <p>The intended recipient might have been scared off.</p>
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PAKISTAN

LARGEST OPIUM SEIZURE IN LAHORE

Karachi DAWN in English 26 Jul 80 p 1

[Text] Lahore, July 25--In the biggest-ever haul of narcotics in the history of Lahore, 14 maunds of opium worth Rs. 30 lakhs were seized from a bungalow of the posh Gulberg here this evening.

The opium was being loaded in a jeep and a car in packets of five kilograms each and was to be taken to Pakistan-India border for smuggling across the border. Three persons, Rashid Jawaid and Khalid Jawaid, both sons of a notorious smuggler, Asghar Ali Turkiwala, and Mohammad Akram, their servant, were apprehended. Six other persons, including three women on whose clue the opium was seized, have also been apprehended.

According to details, Nawankot Police got a clue that two persons, Agha Mubin, a B.Sc. student, and his brother, Agha Wasim, a F.A. student, were selling five kilos of opium to one Hyder Ali of Nawankot. The Police arranged a party led by Inspector Choudhry Mohammad Raza and raided the house of Said Hyder Ali. The Police arrested all the above named persons, besides three women.

Questioned by Police the two brothers informed that they had purchased the opium from the bungalow of Asghar Ali Turkiwala in Gulberg.

The Police raided the said bungalow and held the opium and the persons who were in the process of taking it to border for smuggling to India.

The gang is stated to be operating on international level. The Police has despatched parties to various parts of the country to arrest its other members.

This is the second big success in a week of the Nawankot Police which smashed a gang of persons engaged in preparing liquor in big quantities.--
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PAKISTAN

BRIEFS

OPIUM RECOVERED; 2 HELD--The Crime Investigation Agency (CIA) have arrested two persons and recovered about 37½ kilograms of opium from their possession. Both of them allegedly brought the opium from Rawalpindi and were trying to sell them in the City. They were residing in Natha Khan Goth. The CIA party raided a house, arrested them and seized the contraband opium. They have registered a case against the accused persons and are interrogating them. [Text] [Karachi DAWN in English 24 Jul 80 p 8]

SANGJANI OPIUM ARREST--One person was arrested yesterday from Sangjani check post for allegedly possessing opium. Zehrullah Khan S/o Rahim Shah of Swabi was held during a routine check of the buses coming from N.W.F.P. and 800 grams of opium was recovered from him. A case has been registered against him under Section 3/4 of the Enforcement Act and investigations are on. [Text] [Islamabad THE MUSLIM in English 20 Jul 80 p 3]

OPIUM SEIZURE--Karachi, 24 July (AFP)--Police have arrested two Pakistanis and recovered about 37 kilograms of contraband opium meant for smuggling to Western Europe and North America, official sources said today. On Tuesday [22 July] over 80 kilograms of charas (Indian hemp) were seized here following the recent disclosure of an international narcotic smugglers network in Pakistan. A martial law court had sentenced two narcotic smugglers to 15 lashes each along with one year's imprisonment and a fine the same day. Meanwhile, a 35-year old West German national, Klaus Jurgen Schiller, who was wanted on drug trafficking charges in West Germany, has been deported, official sources said. Schiller was arrested here on February 21 with six kilograms of charas and was serving a six-month sentence in Karachi jail. He was handed over to West German Consulate officials and put on a Lufthansa flight to Frankfurt under German police custody, the sources added. [Text] [Hong Kong AFP in English 1557 GMT 24 Jul 80]

MAN HELD WITH OPIUM--An upcountry man was nabbed by the Crime Investigating Agency (CIA) from Shah Faisal Colony with one maund of contraband opium yesterday. The man with the contraband was identified as Fakhruzzaman alias Ulfat Husain. The opium was concealed in a bed-roll which the accused was carrying and waiting for a cab when he was surprised by a host of CIA men. Further investigations are going on to find out if the accused was a member of any organised gang of drug traffickers. [Text] [Karachi DAWN in English 25 Jul 80 p 8]

IMAM OF MASJID CONVICTED--Digri, July 24--An Imam masjid Hafiz Amanullah was sentenced to two months R.I. for keeping contraband opium. According to a report, when the convict was coming from Hyderabad to Digri he was intercepted by the police who recovered one seer of raw opium from his possession.--PPI. [Text] [Karachi MORNING NEWS in English 27 Jul 80 p 5]

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PHILIPPINES

FIRST LADY FORMS TASK FORCE TO FIGHT DRUGS

Manila PHILIPPINES DAILY EXPRESS in English 12 Jul 80 p 1

[Text] **THE FIRST LADY**, Imelda Romualdez Marcos, yesterday created a task force to coordinate efforts by various government agencies in the fight against drug addiction and trafficking.

In a meeting yesterday with the National Bureau of Investigation and other law enforcement agencies, Mrs. Marcos ordered the task force to coordinate with the ministries of health, social services, and justice in preventing drug addiction and trafficking.

The task force is composed of representatives from the NBI, Metrocom, CANU, Metropolitan Police Force, Ministry of Education and the Ministry of Local Government and Community Development.

Metro Manila Vice Governor Mel Mathay Jr. was named alternate of Mrs. Marcos, who is the task force's coordinator.

THE FIRST LADY said that the objective of the task force is not only to center on the medical, social, or economic aspects of the drug problem but also on its political ramifications.

"We must give the drug addicts and drug pushers a cause. Instead of selfish reasons, their goal should be love of country. We must make them feel like heroes," the First Lady said.

She also said that the task force will try to solve the drug addiction problem positively and lift drug addicts from cheap thrills and money-goals to patriotism and love of country.

Lt. Col. J.F. Camiguin, who briefed the First Lady during the meeting, said 60 percent of those arrested for drug pushing in 1978 and 1979 came from Manila.

HE SAID that 75 percent of those arrested during the same period were marijuana cultivators.

He said that marijuana cultivation, which increased in 1971, has now spread to 34 provinces in the country. From 1971 to 1979, he said, a total of 3,011 marijuana plants have been seized by the authorities.

Camiguin also said that Manila is now being used by drug couriers as transit point from Bangkok for drug distribution to New Zealand, the US and Europe.

It was observed during the meeting that most drug addicts belong to the 18-20 age group. Their main sources of thrills are marijuana and cough syrups, it was pointed out.

However, there is now a growing tendency among parents of bringing their drug-using children to rehabilitation centers, Camiguin said.

THE FIRST LADY, Imelda R. Marcos, enjoined yesterday the 17 vice mayors of Metro Manila to actively participate in the campaign against drug trafficking.

"The biggest human potentials of our cities are the youth and if they fall prey to drug traffickers, we can never achieve our objective of ranking the metropolis a 'City

of Man," Mrs. Marcos told the vice mayors after their induction at Malacanang.

Expressing concern over reports that drug abuse among the youth is again on the rise, the First Lady said, "This can only mean one thing, the drug pushers are again emboldened in their trade."

SHE URGED the vice mayors to be always aware of what is happening around them.

"Drug trafficking in their areas can only be nipped in the bud if local officials are constantly on alert against evil elements in their communities," she said.

"You must go out and tell the people about this danger," she told the vice mayors, "and remind them about keeping both mind and body healthy."

MRS. MARCOS enjoined the local executives to get more involved in the service of the people.

"The mayors have enough jobs to do, so you should go out and ask the people what they want," she said, "because you will be the government's contact with them."

She also deplored the lack of interaction between mayors and vice mayors and said that something should be done to remedy this.

Aside from curbing drug trafficking, the vice mayors were also asked to help in maintaining cleanliness and order in their communities.

In this connection, the First Lady said she will conduct a contest for the best maintained city hall in Metro Manila.

Inducted by the First Lady were: Vice Mayors James Barbers of Manila, Macario P. Ramirez of Caloocan, Stephen Sarino of Quezon City, and Wenceslao Trinidad of Pasay.

Amado Vicencio of Malabon, Cipriano Bautista of Navotas, Pablo Angeles of San Juan, Soledad Lopez of Mandaluyong, Isidro Arenas of Valenzuela, Johnny Wilson of Makati, Albert Aguirre of Paranaque, Santiago Carlos of Muntinglupa, Teofisto Santos of Marikina, Vicente Eusebio of Pasig, Nicanor Garcia of Taguig, Miguel Ponce of Pateros, and Lolita Castillo of Las Pinas.

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SINGAPORE

MORPHINE FOUND IN CURRY CONDIMENT

Islamabad THE MUSLIM in English 22 Jul 80 p 4

[Text] SINGAPORE, July 21: The Customs Department here has confirmed that Kasa Kasa an ingredient usually imported from India and used in making curry dishes, contains morphine.

A Customs spokesman said chemical analysis had shown that there were two to six milligrams of morphine in every 100 grams of Kasa Kasa and it would, therefore, be treated like any other drug.

But the department has not yet decided what action to take against anyone found in possession of it.

Police recently swooped on Indian spice shops throughout Singapore and seized 386.6 kilos of Kasa Kasa which, police said, would soon be destroyed.

Following that seizure, Customs announced that it was an offence to import or sell the ingredient in Singapore. Customs said that Kasa Kasa was a poppy seed and could have the same effect as hard drugs, if used excessively.

Kasa Kasa is usually imported from India and used mostly by Indians in the preparation of mutton, chicken, crab and cuttle fish curries.

Kasa Kasa is not banned in Malaysia, and a senior Malaysian Health Ministry official was recently reported as saying, "there were two types of Kasa Kasa - red and white - and that the white type contained so little morphine as to pose no threat." - AFP

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CANADA

HEROIN FLOOD FEARED IN WAKE OF OPIUM GLUT

Toronto THE GLOBE AND MAIL, WEEKEND EDITION in English 19 Jul 80 pp 1, 2

[Text] Montreal (CP)--A glut of opium on world drug markets this year could result in increasing amounts of heroin turning up on the streets of Montreal and Toronto, police warn.

Capt. Henri Marchessault, head of the Montreal police drug squad, said yesterday there already has been "a significant increase" in heroin entering the city as a result of the surplus. "We don't have exact figures yet, but we can see a definite trend developing."

He said his staff recently has been increased to 30 from 22, and arrest of traffickers of what he termed "hard drugs" such as heroin and cocaine has been designated top priority because of the problem.

Insp. Ab Michaud of the RCMP's Montreal drug squad estimates that the number of heroin users in the area has increased in the past 18 months to between 2,000 and 2,500 from 1,200.

"In Toronto they've really seen an increase (in users). The drug seems to be more available than before because of the surplus (on world markets)."

RCMP Insp. Gilles Favreau attributed the glut of heroin to social and political chaos in Pakistan, Iran, Afghanistan and Lebanon, making enforcement of narcotics laws in those countries more difficult.

He said the four countries had overtaken Thailand and other Southeast Asian nations as the major suppliers of the world's heroin. The four are expected to produce an estimated 1,800 tonnes of opium this year, 800 tonnes of which could make its way to Western European laboratories to be transformed into heroin.

The potential 80 tonnes of heroin that could be produced from this amount of opium is nearly nine times the demand for the drug in the West, he said.

A U.S. Senate report released this week warned that an increased flow of heroin from the Near East this year poses "a severe threat to the increasingly fragile social order of the West.

"The foreign-policy difficulties we and our allies are experiencing in Iran, Afghanistan and Pakistan are directly linked to the domestic phenomenon of increased rates of overdose deaths, heroin addiction and illegal black marketeering."

Insp. Favreau noted that in the last few months several large heroin labs have also been raided in West Germany, where surpluses of the drug have pushed prices down dramatically in the last year.

He said that since January, the RCMP has uncovered two processing labs in Montreal, arresting 40 people, and warned that existence of the labs indicates that international drug traffickers may be planning to use Montreal and Toronto as distribution points for heroin in the wake of the Iranian revolution.

In Toronto, RCMP Insp. David Brown said the amount and availability of heroin is limited now, but he believes more will soon be on the market. He said seizures in New York and in Europe indicate that world supplies are increasing, and that means more would soon arrive in Toronto.

"We usually follow New York by a matter of two to three years," he said. "And we've seen some major seizures there in recent months so we expect more of the drug will start to arrive here soon."

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CANADA

DRUGS WORTH \$1 MILLION SEIZED IN THREE RAIDS

Windsor THE WINDSOR STAR in English 21 Jul 80 p 3

[Text]

Police arrested seven persons and seized more than \$1 million worth of illegal drugs in three unrelated raids this weekend.

Four area men were arrested Friday night after officers of the joint RCMP and Windsor drug squad seized 15,400 units of LSD in a taxi as it crossed into Canada through the Detroit-Windsor tunnel. The street value of the drugs was estimated at \$50,000.

An RCMP spokesman said the arrests were made following the seizure and were the result of a "lengthy investigation." The confiscation is considered "one of the largest ever in the province."

Joseph Cervin, 20, of Wilkinson Drive, Leamington; Robert Gamble, 26, of Byng Road; Tracey Rekuta, 23, of Mill Street West, Leamington; and Vincent Sultana, 23, of McDougall Street, were

arraigned in court Saturday on charges of conspiracy to traffic in LSD. They were remanded in custody and were scheduled for a bail hearing today.

Elsewhere in the province, police searched a van on Highway 401 near St. Catharines and seized a load of liquid hashish valued at more than \$1 million on the street. The RCMP said it was one of the largest seizures of the drug ever made in Canada.

Craig Earl Huffman, 24, of Hagersville, Ont., was charged with importing a narcotic.

In the third raid, police found a laboratory and supplies for making the hallucinogenic drug DMA in a Mississauga apartment. Enough chemicals to produce about \$60,000 worth of the drug was seized.

David Robson Smith, 22, of London, and Randall Craig Hector, 27, of Oakville, were charged with trafficking and conspiracy to traffic in the drug.

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CANADA

SEVEN CHARGED AFTER THREE DRUG RAIDS

Toronto THE GLOBE AND MAIL in English 21 Jul 80 p 5

[Text]

The Royal Canadian Mounted Police have made three drug seizures in Ontario, including what a spokesman said is believed to be the second largest seizure of liquid hashish in Canada.

The RCMP and Niagara Regional Police seized 148 pounds of liquid hashish from a van stopped on the Queen Elizabeth Way near St. Catharines on Saturday. The hashish, which police estimated at a street value of \$1-million, was concealed in the door panels and flooring of the van.

The van had just entered Canada from the United States when it was stopped. A 24-year-old Hagersville, Ont., man has been charged with importing a narcotic and is to appear in Provincial Court in St. Catharines for a bail hearing today.

On Friday, the RCMP and Halton Regional Police raided what they believe to be the first DMA lab to be seized in Ontario in the past three years. DMA is an amphetamine-type chemical. The laboratory was located in an apartment on Bonnymede Drive in Mississauga and contained enough of the chemical in the initial stage of manufacture to yield \$60,000.

A 22-year-old London, Ont. man and a 27-year-old Oakville man have been charged with conspiracy to traffic in DMA and trafficking in DMA. They have been released from custody and are to appear in Provincial Court in Brampton on Aug. 11.

Also on Friday, RCMP and Windsor Police seized 15,500 doses of LSD (lysergic acid diethylamide) which police estimated at a street value of \$50,000. The drug was being brought into Canada from the United States through the Windsor-Detroit crossing and was seized with the assistance of Canada customs department officials.

An RCMP spokesman said Windsor is one of the focal points for LSD distribution in Ontario. Charged with conspiracy to traffic in LSD are two Leamington, Ont., men and two Windsor men.

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CANADA

MAJOR DRUG SEIZURE OFF HALIFAX CALLED 'PLAIN GOOD LUCK'

Toronto THE GLOBE AND MAIL in English 11 Jul 80 p 8

[Text]

HALIFAX (CP) — More than four tons of hashish, seized from a sailboat near here in what police said was a stroke of plain good luck, was burned yesterday after being hauled in a truck with a 10-member RCMP escort from Halifax to a pulp mill in northern Nova Scotia.

RCMP officers tossed 136 bundles into a boiler that normally burns a combination of wood waste and oil at the Scott Maritimes pulp mill at Abercrombie Point. Each bundle, weighing about 70 pounds, contained numerous small packets of the drug wrapped in gold foil.

Cpl. Brent Crowhurst of the Halifax drug section described the Moroccan hashish as "the Cadillac of hash."

It was the largest seizure of hashish ever made in Canada, if not in North America, he said. There have been bigger cannabis seizures, but they have been of marijuana, a less valuable drug.

Three Americans and a Portuguese, charged in court here yesterday with drug smuggling, were arrested on Wednesday night in what officials thought at first was a routine rescue at sea.

"I'd like to say it was the result of an intensive investigation and all kinds of smartness and brightness on our part, but we just got lucky," a police spokesman said.

David Salvador, 33, of Provincetown, Mass., Paul Campbell, 33, of

Hyannis, Mass., William Wannamaker, 23, of Eagerton, Mass., and George Manuel Santos Nunes, 24, of Ferragudo, Portugal, were charged after RCMP boarded the ketch Sea Tern near Sambro and confiscated 8,300 pounds of hashish, worth an estimated \$30-million on the street.

The boat was seized inside Canadian territorial waters. Last month, police had to release all suspects they held in the seizure of about 22 tons of marijuana off southern Nova Scotia because they boarded the boat before it reached Canadian jurisdiction.

On Wednesday night, responding to a radioed call for help from the Sea Tern, a small Coast Guard vessel took the boat in tow and headed for shore, but the crew of the rescue vessel was suspicious and notified the RCMP. As a police vessel neared the Sea Tern, an explosion ripped through the vessel. One policeman and a crew member were slightly burned in the blast, which set the boat afire but did not sink it.

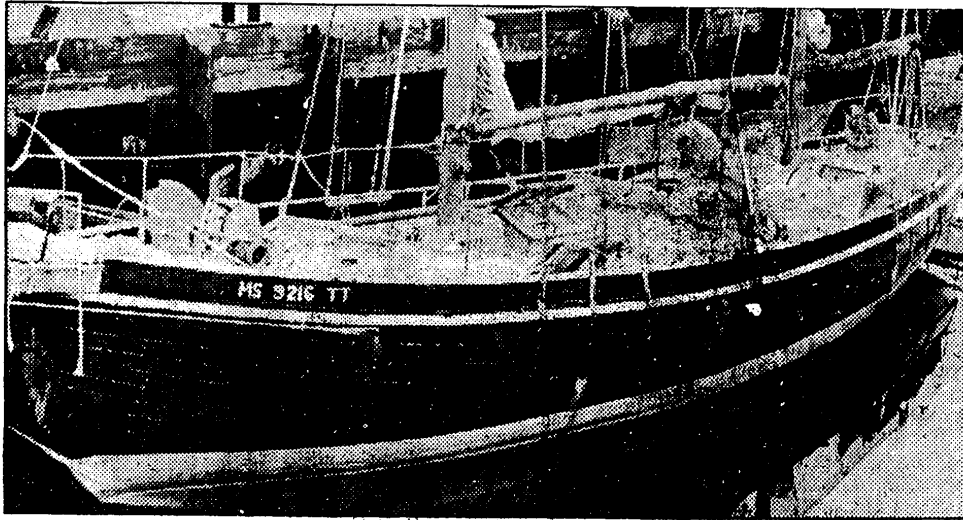
Closer investigation revealed the drug, which a police spokesman said was poorly concealed. "It's pretty hard to hide three tons of weed on a boat like that."

In the earlier seizure, police boarded a converted shrimp boat 6 nautical miles off Shelburne,

N.S., and arrested eight Colombians and an American, confiscating an estimated \$50-million worth of marijuana.

A police spokesman said the four in the latest case are charged under Section 5.1 of the Criminal Code, which carries a minimum seven-year sentence.

The Sea Tern will be sold at public auction.



The 55-foot ketch Sea Tern is moored in Halifax dockyard after being seized by RCMP. —UPC

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CANADA

LSD CACHE SEIZED IN UNDERCOVER OPERATION

Windsor THE WINDSOR STAR in English 24 Jul 80 p 3

[Text]

Members of the joint RCMP and Windsor police drug squad ended a four-month undercover operation Wednesday with the arrests of five area people and the seizure of at least 19,000 hits of LSD.

A spokesman estimated the cache seized Wednesday — plus 6,000 hits of the restricted drug purchased by undercover officers in the Belle River, Emeryville and Stoney Point area during the operation — was worth \$100,000 on the street.

Three people, including two members of the Chosen Few motorcycle gang, were arrested at a Highway 401 service centre near Tilbury where the officers had set up a buy.

Approximately 15,000 hits were seized there, and the remaining 4,000 were recovered from several homes and the gang's clubhouse.

Five people were to be ar-

raigned in provincial court today on these charges:

John William McAgly, 32, of Renaud Line, Emeryville — two counts of trafficking LSD and two counts of possession of LSD for the purpose of trafficking;

Edward Morris, 29, of Renaud Line, Emeryville — single counts of trafficking LSD and possession of LSD for the purpose of trafficking;

Claude Brevard, 19, of Stoney Point — two counts of trafficking LSD;

Darlene McAgly, 26, of Maidstone — two counts of trafficking LSD and one charge of possession for the purpose of trafficking LSD;

Diane Lynn Hillman, 25, of St. Pierre Street, Tecumseh — one count of trafficking LSD and two counts of possession for the purpose of trafficking LSD.

The spokesman identified

Morris and John McAgly as the members of the motorcycle gang and called the others "associates" of the group.

He also said more charges are expected from the investigation.

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CANADA

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MARIHUANA SHIP IMPOUNDED--Halifax (CP)--All nine men arrested with a shipful of marijuana off Nova Scotia's south shore more than a month ago have been returned to their native countries. But RCMP still have the small motor vessel, the "Patricia," impounded at Shelburne, N.S., awaiting a federal decision on what to do with it. Eight Columbians and one American were arrested May 31 after a chase involving the RCMP, the federal fisheries patrol vessel "Louisbourg" and Canadian and American Coast Guard vessels. W. J. Marks, acting director of immigration for the Nova Scotia region, said Friday the eight Columbians were held in Halifax for a month awaiting arrival of temporary travel documents. Then immigration officials escorted them in groups of four to New York, where they were put on a direct flight to Bagota en route to their homes in Cartagena. The lone American returned to his home soon after the arrest. The nine suspects weren't charged in Canada because the "Patricia" was arrested in an "intermediate zone" 12 to 21 miles offshore. But Canadian laws permitted seizure of their ship and its cargo of 20 metric tons of marijuana. RCMP took the marijuana to the Scott Maritimes Ltd. pulp mill near Pictou and incinerated it. [Text] [Ottawa THE WEEKEND CITIZEN in English 5 Jul 80 p 9]

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CZECHOSLOVAKIA

PARENTS WARNED OF YOUTH DRUG ABUSE PROBLEM

AU171830 [Editorial Report] Prague VECERNI PRAHA in Czech on 11 June 1980 on page 5 carries a 2,400-word article by L. Hruskova entitled "Mother, Father, Do You Know Me Well?" which deals with the problem of drug abuse in the CSSR. The article is based on a research paper by a team of scientists led by psychiatrist V. Vojtik, founder of the department for adolescents of the mental institute in Prague-Bohnice, examining the social roots of drug-taking among young people.

According to Vojtik in 1971 one third of the patients in his department were adolescents "who made excessive use of drugs." By 1974 they accounted for almost one-half of his patients. Even though their share has declined again since then, Vojtik adds: "That does not mean that the problem itself has diminished." Quite to the contrary, Vojtik believes that although "the problem affects the capitalist states to a far greater degree and for the time being touches upon us only marginally," several aspects of drug abuse in the CSSR give rise to concern: "First of all, it affects increasingly younger age groups. Besides, the composition of the drugs as well as the form of their application is changing for the worse. There is more 'mainlining,' that is, injecting straight into the vein."

Using as a starting point the description of the cases of three "hard-core addicts"--a 17-year-old son of "prominent" parents working abroad; another 17-year-old girl; and a university student, the daughter of a physician--and the results of Vojtik's study conducted among 1,000 adolescents "who have tried it," the article then analyzes the social environment of those susceptible to drug abuse. It notes that "the young people of today who have succumbed to addiction-promoting substances substantially differ in social and psychological terms from others suffering from psychological disorder and, particularly, from healthy youth. In the same way, the families in which they grew up differ from the families of the healthy youth."

According to Hruskova, Vojtik's study revealed the following two basic social patterns among drug-taking young people: "On the one hand there are children, often very talented and overly sensitive, growing up in the midst of an environment that is not capable of providing enough food for that sensitivity nor capable of catering to their inclinations and interests. This is the problem of the so-called 'good families' with domineering, ambitious parents who have an exaggerated interest in their child's social success, of parents who want their child to be the best and to have absolutely everything but cannot--or do not want to, owing to their complacency--devote the necessary time to the child. Later when things do not turn out as they had hoped they begin to assume the opposite attitude toward their child perhaps in the belief that thereby they would stimulate his ambition more.

"On the other hand there are the families where the father drinks 'over and above what is socially acceptable' and the mother lives in constant tension attempting to keep it secret. To cure her headache she constantly takes 'pills.' Pills become a panacea and the notion of their omnipotence is instilled in the mind of the young, immature person. A suitable situation, usually a 'party' then occurs. The parents do not suspect anything, the situation repeats itself a few times and there you are."

Drawing a conclusion from these results of Vojtik's research Hruskova notes that "addiction to drugs does not signal only a serious disturbance in the psychology of the young individual but also in the function of his environment." She concludes her article by saying:

"Is it not our conduct that is the cause of our child's distracted state of mind that tempts him to 'solve' problems by means of dream-like visions? [paragraph continues]

"Do we know enough about the life of the young person growing up next to us whom we are obliged to initiate unharmed into the full stream of life? The fact that the problem is not as pronounced in our country as in the capitalist world does not entitle us to close our eyes to it. No matter how small the number of young people who have succumbed to excessive use of drugs may be, we must not ignore the problem. We must give up our tendency to indifference, to sealing ourselves off in our own shell...and try to come to understand our children, know how they are spending their leisure time, without losing their confidence. Otherwise a 'surprise' might catch us unaware, and that would be too late."

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BOLIVIA

BRIEFS

DRUG TRAFFIC ESTIMATES--La Paz, 31 Jul (TELAM)--According to the local press, Interior Minister Luis Arce Gomez has blamed U.S. President James Carter for the increase of drug trafficking and for the growth in cocaine outflow from Bolivia. According to the reports Luis Arce Gomez is greatly concerned over the suspension of U.S. aid to drug traffic and consumption control. According to data disclosed by the local press, approximately \$400 million found their way into Bolivia from drug sales at the end of 1979. This information is difficult to confirm but it can be proved that there have been times when the unofficial exchange of the U.S. dollar experienced ups and downs of 2 Bolivian pesos (18 percent) compared to the official rate of exchange. [Excerpts] [PY312201 Buenos Aires TELAM in Spanish 1745 GMT 31 Jul 80]

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BRAZIL

WEAPONS, MARIHUANA SMUGGLED FROM PARAGUAY SEIZED

Rio de Janeiro JORNAL DO BRASIL in Portuguese 3 Jul 80 p 28

[Text] Drug division agents seized eight traffickers in marihuana, including Paraguayan citizen Silvio Gonzalez Aguello, identified as the individual responsible for bringing into Brazil 80 percent of the marihuana dispatched from Pedro Juan Caballero and coming from his country. The police seized about 100 kilograms of marijuana, 3 scales, 4 rifles, 5 revolvers and a large quantity of ammunition.

The other drug traffickers arrested were Elias Rodrigues dos Santos, Janari Morais da Rocha, Jose Carlos Goncalves, Luis Alberto Gomes da Silva Neto, Josue Cerejo Goncalves, Aridio Gomes Medeiros, Antonio Roberto Barbosa da Silva and Vagner da Fatima da Silva. Antonio Marcio Di Biaggio, alias Toninho Bacalhau or Toninho Mineiro, the contact between the Brazilian drug traffickers and the Paraguayan, is being sought.

The investigation leading to the arrest of the gang of traffickers has been going on for 2 months, since the police arrested drug addict Gilberto Gomes da Silva, alias Beбето, in Rocha. Through him they were led to Elias Rodrigues dos Santos, residing at 91 Barbosa da Silva Street in Riachuelo.

Later the police arrested Antonio Roberto Barbosa da Silva, alias Antonio Sapo, who had replaced Elias as distributor of the marihuana. Yesterday, his partner, Josue Cerejo Goncalves, a resident at 1 Projetada Street, Lot 11, Block 9, in Praia do Canto, Sepetiba, was arrested.

When the police arrived at his home, they found Luis Alberto Gomes da Silva Neto and the Paraguayan, Silvio Gonzalez Aguello, there to accept payment for a lot of 800 kilograms which reached Rio on 13 June in a specially chartered wagon.

The police investigations extended to Rocha, Nilopolis, Santa Cruz, Sepetiba, Nova Iguacu and Belford Roxo.

In these localities, the police seized 35 packets of Indian hemp pressed with honey, as it comes from Paraguay; 228 joints of marihuana, ready for sale to addicts; plastic material for wrapping the drug and keeping it dry; and several large sheets of wrapping paper.

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BRAZIL

ONE HUNDRED KILOGRAMS OF MARIHUANA SEIZED IN NORTHERN ZONE

Rio de Janeiro O GLOBO in Portuguese 28 Jun 80 p 18

[Text] Police agents from the 26th District arrested drug trafficker Jose Carlos de Oliveira, alias Burro da Duda, in Engenho de Dentro yesterday afternoon. He is 36 and believed to be one of the largest distributors of drugs in the northern zone, with sale outlets in Meier, Todos os Santos, Lins de Vasconcelos and Engenho de Dentro. He was arrested in a room in the building at 1869 Amaro Cavalcante Avenue, where police seized 100 kilograms of pressed Indian hemp, a scale, a saw and a shotgun.

The drug trafficker would not identify the source of the weed, saying only that he bought it from a "backwoodsman." He said he sold the hemp at 8,000 cruzeiros per kilogram and that with that quantity he produced 250 cigarettes, which could then be sold at 100 cruzeiros each.

Burro da Duda, whose wife, Duda, is serving a sentence for trafficking in drugs, said he had always worked in the numbers racket but went into drugs about a year ago.

"It is easy to deceive the suckers and make a profit. No one sells the pure stuff. Every joint is mixed with grass, manure or dried tomato leaves. With 1 kilogram, 250 cigarettes or joints can be made."

The drug trafficker said that he dealt in hemp "wholesale" and that he would have received 800,000 cruzeiros for the drug seized.

"But the 'smoking outlets' (sale points) would charge much more, for they collect 25,000 cruzeiros for each kilogram, at 100 per lot. They have problems I do not have, they have to pay insurance and for planes (distributors)."

Arrest

The investigation leading to the arrest of Burro da Duda began a month ago, when Detective Paulo Araujo arrested a drug trafficker named Sabara,

who was involved in the death of Detective Inspector Elinto Pires. Sabara identified the heavy dealers in the Central Brazilian area.

Pretending to be addicts, Detectives Jangada, Valmir and Neves succeeded in getting close to the distributors and eventually discovered the place where Burro da Duda was keeping his hemp supply.



Burro da Duda with the marihuana

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BRAZIL

BRIEFS

COUNCILMAN DRUG OFFENDER--The term of office of Councilman Renato Ramos da Silva, a former MDB [Brazilian Democratic Movement] member who has not yet joined another party, was suspended yesterday by the Angra dos Reis Municipal Chamber. He was arrested on 19 June for trafficking in drugs, and a special commission to which the study of the case was assigned has not yet reached a decision. The president of the chamber, Orlando Soares Moreira, put the suspension to a vote yesterday. Only two council members, Artur Jordao Costa and Irene de Paiva Jordao, cast negative votes. Renato Ramos da Silva is being held in Angra dos Reis on the orders of Judge Nelson Caetano da Silva of that district. Late in the evening, after the board of directors of the Municipal Chamber reached its decision, there was a demonstration in the city, with a crowd applauding the council members who voted for the suspension. Fireworks were set off in the square in front of the building. Councilman Jorge Martins, of the PP [Popular Party], will fill the vacancy. [Text] [Rio de Janeiro JORNAL DO BRASIL in Portuguese 27 Jun 80 p 22] 5157

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COLOMBIA

LARGE, MODERN COCAINE PROCESSING PLANT SEIZED

Bogota EL TIEMPO in Spanish 31 May 80 pp 1-A, 12-A

[Article by Narciso Castro Y.]

[Text] Cartagena, 30 May--A cocaine processing plant concealed inside an industrial chemical plant near Mamonal has been discovered by the police and it is estimated that there are several tons of the hallucinogen in it.

The operation took place yesterday at noon after an investigation by agents of the Bolivar Division. All of the employees of the laboratory, including the manager, were arrested.

A total of 12 persons were inside the installations of the Northern Chemical Industry, Ltd. when a police major, accompanied by several uniformed policemen, asked to make an inspection to detect the presence of contaminating gases.

The drug was stored in cardboard drums and in bags in astonishing quantities and in addition, 10,000 tablets of methaqualone and others known as "Yumbo" were found.

The laboratory operated in a warehouse located at the center of a lot of approximately one hectare on the highway leading to Mamonal, across from the San Carlos college.

A modern machine brought from Taiwan for the manufacture of tablets was also found in the yard behind the warehouse.

The general appearance of the Northern Chemical Industry installations did not arouse suspicion but access to certain areas was restricted by a guard.

The managerial offices of the enterprise occupied a space adjacent to the warehouse.

The economic value of the drug seized may exceed all calculations and the impression is that this is the hardest blow that has been struck against drug trafficking.

Under arrest at the F-2 of the police are Enrique Villareal Pizaros, manager of Northern Chemical Industry, Rafael Jimenez Marrugo, chemist, and the following employees: Robinson Garces Doria, Alvaro Famos Jimenez, Enrique Alvarez Cervantes, Elvio Paternina Diaz, Maritza Doria, Norma Gulfo, Gustavo Linan Macea, Alfredo Diaz Mercado, Marco Guerrero Gonzalez and Andres Batista Palacio.

The authorities know that this enterprise began operating about 12 years ago but they have not determined whether the cocaine has been processed there from the very beginning. One of the partners of the enterprises, Jorge Cuetter Ilelati, is being sought by the police.

The effectiveness of yesterday's operation was due in part to the cooperation the neighborhood gave the police.

The Discovery

What led to the discovery of the drug was the nervousness of a chemist working for the enterprise when he became aware of the presence of a police major who inquired about the possible escape of toxic gases.

As a precautionary measure, the police arrested everyone who was at that time on the premises and later interrogated them at the F-2 headquarters.

Some of the information obtained from the interrogations agrees with the existing situation at Northern Chemical Industry, especially with regard to the fact that many small empty boxes were going to be used in the packaging of a product which upon examination turned out to contain cocaine.

That product is methaqualone about which no further details are known in the country, although its degree of toxicity is greater than that of the product known as "Jumbo 7-14."

In the United States the DEA and other antinarcotics groups search out methaqualone traffickers because they consider the damage it does to the human body to be irreversible.

There is a possibility that in addition to the F-2 technicians, certain foreign specialists may come to Cartagena to find out about the possible international connections of the cocaine processing plant.

This morning a truck bearing license plate number TP-6252 was about to go into the Northern Chemical Industry installations transporting about 20 drums similar to those in the warehouse containing the drug, its occupants apparently not aware of what had happened inside the installation. The driver and the assistant were also arrested.

Another Blow

Police have seized 80 bags of pressed marihuana for export and arrested 10 persons on board a boat navigating the Magdalena River at Calamar. The persons arrested are: Luis Alberto Figueroa Fernandez, Fernando Tovar Barreto, Aquiles Rafael Celedon, Jorge Enrique Polo Garcia, Jose Manuel Nieves Diaz, Victor Betancourt Oyola, Milton Enrique Polo, Baudilio Enrique Gil, Wenceslao Cerpas Arce and Jaime Moron Payares.



Cartagena. A police agent points to the box containing a modern machine brought from Taiwan for the manufacture of tablets.

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COLOMBIA

PUERTO WILCHES DRUG RING RAIDED

Large, Modern Laboratory

Bogota EL ESPECTADOR in Spanish 16 Jun 80 pp 1-A, 14-A

[Text] The Antinarcotics Squad of the National Attorney General's Office achieved a new and extraordinary victory in the fight against organized crime when it confiscated 250 kg of cocaine and the equipment of a very modern laboratory for processing the drug and captured a powerful ring of drug traffickers among whom are two persons categorized as genuine "big fish" in that activity.

In Puerto Wilches

The successful operation was the result of several weeks of investigations carried out by capable investigators in various areas of the Santander Department and came to a head yesterday at 1215 hours at La Esmeralda farm, located in the jurisdiction of the municipality of Puerto Wilches, where the laboratory was in operation and where the members of the criminal organization were captured and the large shipment of cocaine confiscated.

It was reported that the laboratory in question is one of the most modern that has been discovered in this country since it contained innumerable pieces of sophisticated apparatus which gave it the capability to produce large quantities of cocaine of the highest quality. Among the pieces of equipment confiscated there were drying lamps, test tubes, filter paper, mixers, scales and numerous receptacles for acids and other chemicals used in the refining of cocaine.

Also a Plane

As was said before, 250 kg of cocaine ready to be transported by air to an as yet undetermined spot were seized in the laboratory. It was to be transported by means of a bimotor Piper located at a clandestine airport on the farm, which was the property of Jaime Gonzalez Jimenez who has been identified as the chief of the narcotics network.

The Syndicate Members

The persons captured during the raid of the laboratory and of the clandestine airport were Jaime Forero Ospina, from Santa Elena, Tolima; Raul Herrera, from Narino, Antioquia; Jesus Humberto Lemus Alcina, from Ocana, Norte de Santander; Luis Carlos Carrillo, from Puerto Berrio, Antioquia; Pablo Arias, from Tibana, Boyaca; Rodrigo de Jesus Gomez, from Tulua, Valle; Benjamin Ramirez, from Ambalema, Tolima, who is said to be the proprietor of the Hotel Anaconda in Leticia and who along with Jaime Forero Ospina was one of the "big fish" of the drug traffic in the country; and Carlos Elkin Garcia Acevedo.

To Barranca

The investigators of the Attorney General's Office yesterday were planning to transfer the prisoners to the city of Barrancabermeja to place them in the custody of the judge in charge of the investigation. As for the cocaine, once the legal requirements have been met it will be destroyed.

It is worth mentioning that the Piper plane which was seized, along with several motor vehicles, will remain in the government's possession and will be used in the fight against drug trafficking. The clandestine airport, where the plane was waiting for the shipment of cocaine, had modern navigational aids which shows how well organized the members of the ring were.

Seized Trafficker Was Fugitive

Bogota EL ESPECTADOR in Spanish 19 Jun 80 p 11-A

[Text] New details on the long criminal record of Gonzalo Jimenez Panesso, one of the persons apprehended by the members of the Narcotics Squad of the Office of the Attorney General in the cocaine processing laboratory discovered at the La Esmeralda farm in Puerto Wilches, became known yesterday to the staff of this newspaper through sources connected with the investigation.

Jimenez Panesso had been a fugitive from justice since October 1979 when he escaped while on furlough from a jail in the municipality of Turbo, the jurisdiction where he, along with other persons, had been arrested for possession of 300 kg of cocaine.

Sentenced to 3 and 1/2 Years

The drug trafficker--who had also been in jail in Bogota for the same crime in January 1976, when he was arrested along with his brother German and another person in possession of 30 kg of cocaine--was tried by a court in Medellin for the case in Turbo and was sentenced, in absentia, to 3 and 1/2 years in prison, a term he will now have to serve in addition to that which was handed down for his activities at La Esmeralda.

Assassinated in Miami

It has also been learned that German Jimenez Panesso, the brother of the drug trafficker now in custody, was assassinated in the city of Miami some time ago during the course of a "gang war," and that he was the proprietor of La Esmeralda farm, the succession to which is therefore now in litigation.

Gonzalo Jimenez Panesso took advantage of the fact that he was German's brother and had himself named guardian of his brother's children. He availed himself of this to continue administering the estate and to install the modern laboratory for the processing of cocaine which was raided a few days ago by officials of the District Attorney's Office.

"Big Fish"

According to official sources, Jimenez Panesso, in addition to being the proprietor of the Hotel Anaconda in Leticia, owns four modern businesses at 59th Street and Highway 7 in Bogota and has been accused of the attempted murder of Horacio Martinez, whom he wounded seriously in a fight which took place in Bogota.

Among the various drug traffickers apprehended at the above-mentioned farm in Puerto Wilches is Jaime Forero Ospina, who transported from Leticia the 250 kg of cocaine which were seized. For this purpose he had rented the bimotor Piper which was seized at the farm's clandestine airport.

Forero Espina, who along with Jimenez Panesso is considered to be one of the heads of the ring, is the owner of two elegant establishments in Bogota, one of which is a bar called 2001 located in the northern part of the city.

These persons and the others apprehended are in the custody of the Puerto Wilches Municipal Civil and Criminal Court Judge before whom they have already begun to undergo questioning.

Businessman Cleared of Complicity

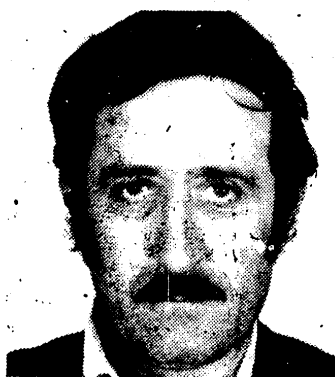
Bogota EL ESPECTADOR in Spanish 19 Jun 80 p 14-A

[Text] Jesus Humberto Lemus Alsina, whose arrest we reported in earlier editions on the basis of information provided by the National Attorney General's office, turned out to be completely innocent of involvement in the activities of the ring of drug traffickers captured at the La Esmeralda farm in Puerto Wilches in possession of 250 kg of cocaine.

Lemus Alsina, from Ocana, citizenship identification number 5,466,169 of that city, is a well-known businessman who resides in Bucaramanga and is the proprietor of a grain import firm having a branch in Medellin.

The merchant had traveled to Puerto Wilches for the purpose of making a deal on some heads of cattle and he was arrested while engaged in that activity at the Santa Teresa farm in the same municipality in Santander.

Once the investigators established his complete innocence Mr Lemus was unconditionally released, after which he went to Bogota for the purpose of arranging for appropriate clarification of the news story in the various newspapers which had given an account of his unjustified arrest.



Gonzalo Jiménez Panesso

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COLOMBIA

'CAR SNATCHERS' TRADE CARS FOR COCAINE

Bogota EL TIEMPO in Spanish 10 Jun 80 p 14-D

[Text] An effective operation by the Automotive Group of the F-2 staff resulted in the discovery of a factory for making false automobile license plates which were sold to "car snatchers" who in turn exchanged stolen vehicles for cocaine.

The operation took place the weekend before last, when agents of the secret agency apprehended Alfonso Bolivar Jaimes, owner of the license plate "factory"; Hernan Vasquez, an employee there; and Francisco Javier Martinez, a helper in the shop.

The factory was located at the Plaza de Espana, in downtown Bogota, where the false plates were sold to middlemen at the price of 1,500 pesos for a set, according to the F-2.

They, in turn, sold the plates to the "car snatchers" who attached them to stolen cars and after "legalizing" the papers for the cars took them to El Meta, Caqueta and Putumayo.

There the criminals were in contact with the drug traffickers with whom they exchanged the stolen cars for cocaine.

In addition to their dealings with the "car snatchers," the middlemen, whom the F-2 has already identified, sold registration cards and other false documents.

According to official reports the factory where the false license plates were manufactured is located on the north side of Plaza de Espana.

It had a capability to produce 10 sets of plates daily and it was able to change numbers and letters on them to perfection.

In the raid carried out by the Automotive Group of the F-2, the agents seized five pairs of plates in the process of being falsified, special sheets for the manufacture of plates, a suitcase with "punches" (equipment for making the numbers and letters), a rasp, a die, a press and a large quantity of paint.

Recoveries

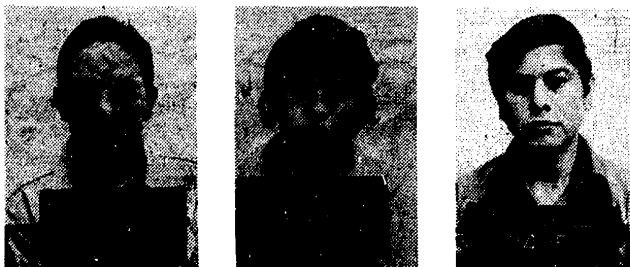
The F-2 reported that the above was the culmination of a long intelligence operation for the purpose of reducing the high index of crimes related to automobile theft, the results of which have been satisfactory, since in the last month they succeeded in recovering 385 automobiles broken down as follows:

Mercedes Benz, 2; Buick, 5; Carpatti, 1; BMW, 3; Chevrolet, 14; Dodge, 54; Fiat, 18; Ford, 26; Gaz, 1; International, 6; Nissan, 37; Renault, 170; Simca, 18; Toyota, 13; Volkswagen 4; and Willys, 13.

They added that the total value of the vehicles seized in operations throughout the entire country is 115.5 million pesos.

They said that about 30 persons have been captured, charged and placed in the custody of the various authorities involved.

With regard to the exchange of vehicles for cocaine, authorities said that they are carrying out investigations to identify the "snatchers" obtaining the cocaine.



From left to right, Alfonso Bolivar Jaimes, Hernan Vasquez and Francisco J. Martinez, who were apprehended by the Automotive Group of the F-2 when it discovered that in the shop owned by Bolivar Jaimes false license plates were being manufactured and sold to middlemen who sold them to "car snatchers" who in turn exchanged stolen cars for cocaine.

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COLOMBIA

BOGOTA'S 'VICE CORNER' DESCRIBED

Bogota EL TIEMPO in Spanish 13 Jun 80 p 12-A

[Article by Bernardo Navas Talero]

[Text] In the very heart of Bogota, at the corner of 22nd Street and Highway 7, marihuana, hashish, cocaine and heroin are sold, extortion is practiced on the unwary and youths of the capital are being led astray.

Only a few meters from the Jorge Eliecer Gaitan Theatre and under the indifferent gaze of the authorities, a vice market has been operating for several years. The sector provides a wide variety of buyers, thanks to the nearness of some university and college centers, in addition to the people of the "Bohemian" quarter. The transaction may range from "a 20"--some 3 grams of marihuana worth 20 pesos--up to several pounds of hashish or small doses of cocaine, as well as disposable syringes loaded with heroin.

The big sellers are marihuana and hashish. Trusted buyers are sold the other drugs.

In order to be considered a "trusted" buyer it is necessary to be "introduced" by some older addict who is already known in that neighborhood.

"Female Merchants of Vice"

The saleswomen are all lower class women--most of them addicts--who conceal their illicit trade under the innocent guise of selling contraband American cigarettes, which is merely another of their sources of income.

They wear ponchos, either heavy square ones or the ordinary kind, under which they hide their merchandise, and they are accompanied in their work by adolescents--also female--who perform the role of apprentices in the illicit business in addition to that of "companions."

"The vice corner," and 22nd Street in general, between Highways 5 and 10, is the "territory" of certain capos who have received from the drug rings the right to exploit it. The capos--the name by which both big and small mafia chiefs are known--also keep in their service a large group of street children.

The "companions" have the responsibility of giving warning about the presence of the authorities, who occasionally sweep the area.

The capos constantly change their location--cafeterias and bars are numerous there--but they always watch their employees from vantage points.

"The female merchants of vice" start to work every day from 1500 hours on and work until about 2000 hours.

These saleswomen, on being approached by a customer who is on foot, indicate to him that he should continue walking north or south on Highway 7 or on 22nd Street, without following any particular pattern.

Later the client is overtaken by a different woman from the one whom he approached and this second one, after receiving payment for the merchandise, hands him his order camouflaged in a package of American cigarettes which the addict is compelled to buy.

When the buyer is in an automobile they have him park--usually on 22nd Street--and after a prudent interval, during which the "companions" make sure it is not a trap, the transaction takes place.

Home Delivery of Marihuana

When the client is already known and is no longer under suspicion, especially if he buys large amounts, he is introduced to the appropriate capo, who offers--claiming it is for the convenience of the buyer--to deliver the "merchandise" to him at whatever place he designates and on whatever day and hour he wishes.

The address book of one of the capos which we were able to examine, thanks to the complicity of one of the saleswomen, contains a most varied list of persons. Once the addict has been visited and his silence put to the test, he is encouraged to try--if he has not already done so--something "stronger." He, encouraged by the ease of obtaining it, agrees in most cases.

For the narcotics traffickers at the "vice corner" it is profitable to have one of their buyers move up from marihuana or hashish to stronger drugs, which are of course more expensive.

The Unwary: a Profitable Deal

The occasional buyer is doubly exploited by the gangsters. A distinguished young man from Barranquilla, while in Bogota, came some days ago to the "vice corner" in search of a thrill.

He bought some "tumbilitos"--small packets of marihuana containing 4 or 5 grams each, wrapped in newspaper--from one of the saleswomen and continued

walking north on Highway 7, went down 23rd Street and halfway down the block he was intercepted by an enormous black who identified himself as a corporal of the B-2 of the Army.

The alleged B-2 corporal ordered the young man to accompany him. When the young fellow asked him the reason the corporal replied by asking him if he didn't know the reason perfectly well.

The unwary Barranquilla youth, disconcerted, asked the reason for his arrest and as his only reply heard his captor say: "Man, you 'loaded up' at the corner of 22nd and I saw it. Do you want me to frisk you?"

In his difficult situation the young man explained that he was not an addict and that what was involved was only a passing thing.

The B-2 "corporal" insisted that this made no difference and that he must accompany him to the police station. Frightened, the imprudent buyer examined his wallet and offered him the few pesos he had on him.

The bogus military man then showed himself to be somewhat more moderate in his demands but indicated that the sum did not satisfy him. The young man appealed to him on the basis of the damage that an arrest would do him, and asked him to go with him to the residence where he was staying where he had more money.

The blackmailer agreed, saying that he was doing it in order not to do damage to the youth, although--he insisted--it was his duty to turn him over to the authorities.

On the way, the young man from Barranquilla, trying to impress his captor, told him that his father was a very influential man in the military establishment and that he could surely be of help to him.

The "corporal" gladly accepted the offer and told him that they would talk about that later. When they arrived at the residence where the young man was staying he handed over 1000 pesos and they took leave as good friends.

The next day the "corporal" appeared once more at the boarding house in search of the young man, showing great interest in the father's obtaining a transfer for him and saying that he wanted to give him the pertinent data. The innocent boy invited him to breakfast, very happy to make friends with that "good samaritan" who had not wanted to get him in trouble.

As he was taking leave the corporal asked him--putting on a humble face--to help him out so that he could buy clothes, saying that in his job as a secret agent clothing was very expensive for him and that it was not provided to him free of charge. He suggested that the "help" could be another 1000 pesos.

The imprudent youth, afraid of being turned in, handed him the money, along with a promise to try to arrange to "have him transferred to another unit." The frightened tourist received three more visits and each one cost him 1000 pesos, until, in desperation, he opted for asking for help from a good friend of his father's.

The friend--an experienced lawyer--handled the situation and was able to "frighten off" the extortionist whom he did not turn over to the authorities for fear of getting his protege involved.

The Clientele

The "vice corner" is visited by a wide variety of people: adolescents, adults, rich and poor people, all victims of the claws of vice.

The buyers who come by car are as varied as the makes and models of their cars. And they all make their "purchases" under the complacent gaze of the authorities, who do little or nothing to put an end to this illicit market.

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COLOMBIA

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COCA, MARIHUANA PLANTATIONS DISCOVERED--Large marihuana and coca plantations have been discovered by the national police in the jurisdiction of San Jose del Guaviare, a region which has become one of the most important supply centers for drug trafficking rings. During the course of the police operation which resulted in the discovery of the plantations, three persons, identified as Alcibiades and Leonidas Walteros and Laurentino Ramirez Sierra, were arrested. These persons were found in possession of various firearms which were undoubtedly intended for use in the protection of the clandestine crops. It has been learned that in accordance with the legal norms established for the fight against the production and traffic of narcotics, the crops will be destroyed by incineration. Official sources also said that the three persons arrested belong to a large organization of drug traffickers which has established its center of operations in remote areas of our national territory. Due to the lack of communications these areas are hard to reach and therefore offer favorable conditions for drug ring operations. [Text] [Bogota EL ESPECTADOR in Spanish 11 Jun 80 p 10-A] 9204

THREE RAIDS NEAR BARRANQUILLA--Barranquilla, 16 Jun--Major Rosero informed the press today that the Second Brigade dealt three new blows to drug traffickers by seizing a plane, a fishing boat and a powerful radio station in operations carried out by members of the units specializing in the suppression of drug trafficking and coffee smuggling. Major Rosero, chief of information and press of the Second Brigade, said that "at Ganor, the Northern Air Group base, the crew members of a U.S. plane were forced to make an emergency landing. They were arrested and the plane was seized when it was determined that they did not have documents which authorized them to be on Colombian territory." The two crewmen of the plane identified themselves as Pedro Diaz, pilot, and Rafael Linero, copilot, both Cubans who had become U.S. citizens. The plane was described by the informant as a Douglas, registration number N-91-379. In another connection, Major Rosero said that "at the private beach of Tito Rondon, 8 persons were captured and a powerful radio station, 30 plastic bags and 3 ounces of pressed marihuana were seized. The eight persons arrested were identified as: Hugo Francisco Gonzalez, Santander Lobo Martinez, Luis Eduardo Rendon Vasquez, Jesus Maria Calderon Alarcon, Jorge Eliecer Rendon Duran, Fermin Patarroyo Ramirez, Jesus Amil Chacon and Jorge Luis de la Ruda Castro. [Luis Roncallo Fandino] [Text] [Bogota EL ESPECTADOR in Spanish 17 Jun 80 p 9-A] 9204

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ECUADOR

BRIEFS

COCAINE LABS DISCOVERED--Quito, 16 Jul (AFP)--It was revealed here today that 11 drug traffickers, 3 of them Colombians; 2 laboratories used to refine cocaine paste; 8 vehicles and 2,000 gm of cocaine paste were the results of a raid conducted by Interpol. The raid was carried out in several places in the country. Interpol originally arrested seven persons and occupied a laboratory in El Atizal, 30 km south of Quito. Later, through the testimony of the drug traffickers, Interpol arrested other persons and found another laboratory in Santo Domingo, 125 km east of Quito. The Colombians arrested are Hipolito Hernandez, Luz Maria Yela and Maria Rueda de Guerrero. [Paris AFP in Spanish 1708 GMT 16 Jul 80]

DRUG GANG SMASHED--Guayaquil, Ecuador, 18 Jul (AFP)--It was reported here today that a police operation resulted in 37 drug traffickers arrested and several vehicles, one launch, a rudimentary laboratory to refine cocaine and 17,500 gm of cocaine paste seized. In one of the largest raids carried out by the Interpol, it dismantled a powerful drug trafficking gang made up of Ecuadoreans, Colombians and Peruvians. According to reports, Susana Leon Ortiz, who was arrested and was known as "La Chana," was the leader of the gang. It was reported that Jorge Gallegos Peguchi, who financed the operations, and two Colombians had reportedly bought 50 kg of cocaine and fled. The drug was brought from Trujillo, Peru, in a launch and was sent to Colombia. The laboratory operated in Ciudadela Kennedy, in the northern sector of Quito. [Paris AFP in Spanish 1641 GMT 18 Jul 80]

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MEXICO

INTENSIVE ANTIDRUG CAMPAIGN IN CAMPECHE

Mexico City EL SOL DE MEXICO in Spanish 17 Jun 80 Sec F p 1

[Text] Campeche (OEM)--The agent of the Federal Public Ministry, Lily Oliva Cordova Sala, claimed that the production and trafficking of drugs in the state has been combated satisfactorily, and it is encouraging to learn that Campeche is a state in which there is little drug crime, in comparison with other states of the republic.

She stressed the fact that a regional coordinating group acting against drug trafficking, with its headquarters in the neighboring town of Merida, is making periodic flights over the Escarcega area and the boundary with the state of Tabasco, in order to detect possible plantations, because it is in those locations that the land is suitable for growing marihuana.

She said that the proof that marihuana production has been satisfactorily curbed in the state is that, a few months ago, in coordination with the army, plantations and a clandestine landing strip located near Escarcega, 150 kilometers south of this capital, were destroyed.



The government of Campeche, in coordination with the army, has succeeded in destroying plantations and a clandestine landing strip near Escarcega, 150 kilometers from the capital.

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MEXICO

POLICEMAN AMBUSHED BY DRUG TRAFFICKERS

Mexico City EL SOL DE MEXICO in Spanish 31 May 80 p 8A

[Text] While he was carrying out an investigation related to drug trafficking in Alamo, Veracruz, an agent of the Federal Criminal Police was greeted by shots from several drug traffickers, who fled after having exchanged gunshots with him.

According to the version of the agent himself, Hector Gonzalez Cook, he was able to repel the attack and his attackers even fled. He came out of the exchange of shots unscathed.

Later, the army and various police units set up a surveillance cordon and succeeded in arresting the brothers Miguel and Marcos Romero Hernandez.

Gonzalez Cook, badge number 888, was shot at by the drug traffickers when he was alone, investigating their links with the organized underworld which the plot owners make up.

The Federal Public Ministry in Tuxpan, Veracruz, prepared to draw up the appropriate memorandum for the crimes they were suspected of committing.

The confrontation with the drug traffickers left no known casualties; on the contrary, the primary assailants were captured.

The agents arrested the brothers Miguel and Marcos Romero Hernandez, who attempted to leave the village.

The arrest was made when they were about to escape in two pickup trucks, which had been previously checked by the police, who immediately noted that there was a residue of marihuana.

Those arrested were identified by the agents as the sons of the known drug trafficker Miguel Romero, who had been arrested for crimes against public safety.

They were remanded to the Public Ministry of Tuxpan, Veracruz, whose official began the corresponding preliminary investigation.

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MEXICO

VERACRUZ POLICE SEIZE FIVE TRAFFICKERS

Mexico City EL SOL DE MEXICO in Spanish 31 May 80 p 8A

[Text] The Federal Criminal Police arrested five drug traffickers who were operating in the state of Veracruz. Those arrested revealed that they had been in prison previously for various crimes against the public safety.

The gang had at its head Raul Garcia Aparicio, who was arrested in Martinez de la Torre, Veracruz. According to his statements, they specialized in breaking and entering homes, but especially in selling marihuana to students.

His nefarious influence reached the city of Poza Rica.

The agents arrested first Juan Bazan Ulloa, with 30 grams of marihuana; minutes later, Pedro Hernandez, with 100 grams of the drug; then, Raul Garcia Aparicio, who was carrying 150 grams of the same drug.

Garcia Aparicio said that he has a trial pending for which there is an apprehension order against him, delivered by the first judge of first instance, trial 53 (80 [sic], of Jalancingo, Veracruz.

Hours later, the federal agents arrested Andres Bello Rico, who was carrying a package of marihuana at the time of his arrest, as well as a color television set and a stereo.

Finally, they arrested Juan Ignacio Vivanco and Consuelo Martinez Mariano, who were carrying 3.5 kg of marihuana, a 357 caliber pistol and scales. They were all placed at the disposition of the Federal Public Ministry which initiated a preliminary investigation, in which it was established that the investigation would continue due to the fact that the state of Veracruz has been the site of criminal activities by drug traffickers operating with organized crime groups.

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MEXICO

AIR SEARCH FOR DRUGS IN OAXACA, VERACRUZ

Mexico City EL SOL DE MEXICO in Spanish 24 May 80 p 10A

[Text] In Oaxaca and Veracruz, they have begun reconnaissance flights with the pilots from the Office of the Attorney General of the Republic, with the object of detecting sown fields of marihuana and poppies in places which are suitable for such crops.

The attorney general, Oscar Flores Sanchez, and the assistant attorney general Samul Alba Leyva, the national coordinator of the Permanent Campaign against drug trafficking, made it known yesterday that they have planned reconnaissance flights with the purpose of doing away with all the areas of cultivation throughout the national territory.

They added that there will be no ravines or places so difficult to get to that they will not be observed and that in case they find plots, the plots will be destroyed as has been done before.

The information provided by each of the planes will be communicated to a general computer of the institution, which will control, electronically, the information from the entire republic.

The officials stated that attorney Celso Ordonez Rascon, an agent of the Federal Public Ministry, assistant and regional coordinator of the campaign in the two states where the national plan for reconnaissance flights was begun, has already met with the heads of the army of the military zones, to coordinate the joint operation.

The concentration of personnel and airplanes must not be interpreted as a show of force, because what they intend to demonstrate is that the air equipment of the PGR [Office of the Attorney General] can be moved at any moment to any part of the country where it is required.

Before the aforementioned national plan was initiated, we were informed that they located and destroyed 20 plots of marihuana, of which 17 were planted among corn, over 80,000 square meters in a place known as Santa Maria Penoles, Oaxaca, along the Hormiga River.

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MEXICO

DRUG TRAFFICKER WANTED FOR MURDER

H. Matamoros EL BRAVO in Spanish 9 Jul 80 Sec A p 10

[Text] The various police forces have been urged to arrest the drug trafficker Ramon Palomares Vazquez as promptly as possible, because in the middle of last week he shot to death Ignacio Guajardo Garcia, with five 45-caliber bullets, in an incident which took place in the El Solito bar in San Fernando.

The appeal to the police authorities of Matamoros was issued by the State Judicial Police detailed to San Fernando, who succeeded in solving this murder after a series of investigations.

Arrested in connection with the same case were Bernardino Palomares Vazquez, brother of the murderer, and Manuel Medrano Garza, who admitted that the killer of Ignacio Guajardo Garcia was Ramon Palomares Vazquez.

According to the investigation conducted by the police authorities of San Fernando and Matamoros, the murderer Ramon Palomares Vazquez was hiding at the farm of a notorious Matamoros drug trafficker.

Ramon Palomares Vazquez is the individual who, 2 years ago, shot to death Luis Enrique Lozano Gutierrez, firing several bullets, in an incident that took place at the Los Venegas farm in the municipality of San Fernando. For that brutal act, Palomares Vazquez was held here in Matamoros for a short time, but later released, because it was considered that the incident had happened in a fight.

Now, Ramon Palomares has been named by his own brother, Bernardino, as the one who, firing five bullets into his back, killed Ignacio Guajardo Garcia, while the murderer was intoxicated and in the company of his brother Bernardino Palomares and Manuel Medrano Garza.

Bernardino Palomares and Manuel Medrano Garza are in custody, and at the disposal of the Public Ministry agent in San Fernando, while an intensive hunt is under way to capture the murderer, Ramon Palomares Vazquez, who fled to an unknown destination after the incident.

However, when the individuals under arrest were closely questioned, they said that Ramon Palomares was hiding at a farm in the municipality of Matamoros, and it was learned that they also gave the name of the owner of that farm.

Although it is claimed that they are searching for him, up until now no police entity has dared to go to the location in question in search of the killer.

According to the investigation of this brutal incident, Ramon Palomares Vazquez committed the murder in cold blood, treacherously and with an advantage, because he fired at the back of his victim, Ignacio Guajardo Garcia, who was completely defenseless.

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MEXICO

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PILL TRAFFICKERS CAPTURED--Three individuals who were engaged in selling toxic pills to addicts were captured by the Federal Judicial Police following a detailed investigation. Those in custody are Ruben Botello Murillo, Jesus Olguin Chaires and Fernando Covarrubias Flores; and they have made a full confession. At the Federal Judicial Police headquarters, it was announced that, last Wednesday, the first to be captured was Botello Murillo, who was found to have 148 toxic pills of the type known as "Optalidon" in his possession. With Botello was another individual named Emilio Covarrubias, who was also held for investigation. Continuing their probe, the federal agents arrested Jesus Olguin Chaires, who had 142 "Optalidon" pills as well as 40 pills of the type known as "Percodan" in his possession. Next, the federal agents arrested Fernando Covarrubias Flores, from whom pills were seized; and it was found that the addicts visited his residence, where he sold the psychotropic pills to them. The Federal Judicial Police announced that those under arrest would be questioned very carefully, in order to find out who the "fat fish" supplying them with the toxic pills that they subsequently distributed among the addicts are. [Text] [Nuevo Laredo EL DIARIO DE NUEVO LAREDO in Spanish 6 Jun 80 Sec B p 5] 2909

POLICE CAUGHT SELLING MARIHUANA--The Matamoros policemen Gumersindo Olivares Barrientos and Santos Garcia Ramirez are in serious trouble, and will undoubtedly be tried for drug trafficking. Yesterday, in the second district court, record 125/980 was established, containing the suit that has been initiated against Olivares Barrientos and Garcia Ramirez, who are under arrest. According to the federal authorities, on 13 May it was learned that, in the Matamoros Del Valle development, a police patrol pursued a 1974 Dodge car which was subsequently abandoned by its drivers. The police who filed the report stated that four packages of marihuana had been found in the vehicle, and that the evidence had been turned over to the federal prosecutor's office. However, the Federal Judicial Police later learned that two policemen were offering marihuana for sale. They were Gumersindo Olivares and Santos Garcia, who were arrested on 19 May, and confessed that they had actually kept 98 kilograms of marihuana, so as to "sell it" later. They said that there were seven bags of marihuana in the car that they stopped, and that they had turned over only four packages to their superiors. [Text] [Nuevo Laredo EL DIARIO DE NUEVO LAREDO in Spanish 6 Jun 80 Sec B p 5] 2909

PILLS FROM ABROAD SEIZED--The criminal Mario Alvarado Serrano, alias "La Marucha," was caught with a moderate amount of psychotropic substances and arrested by agents from the Security Commission, who turned him over to the Federal Public Ministry agency. Federal Judicial Police agents will investigate "La Marucha," who claimed to be 24 years of age. At 0100 hours yesterday morning, secret service agents made one of their customary vigilance tours of the facilities of the Maclovio Herrera Bus Terminal. They caught Mario Alvarado acting suspiciously, and therefore subjected him to a careful body search. He was carrying four boxes of "Optalidon" pills and 20 boxes of pills known as "Neopercodan" in a plastic bag. Upon being questioned, he said that he had just left a foreign bus, and that it was his intention to sell the toxic pills among addicts. For the foregoing reason, he was arrested and turned over to the federal authorities for an investigation of his illegal activities. [Text] [Nuevo Laredo EL MANANA in Spanish 3 Jul 80 Sec B p 5] 2909

HEROIN TRAFFICKERS SENTENCED--Yesterday, two drug traffickers who were captured by the Federal Judicial Police in November of last year received prison sentences from the second district judge, Cayetano Hernandez Valencia. Raul Cardenas Alvarez and Juan Jose Rangel Salazar were found guilty of a crime against health in the degree of heroin possession and trafficking, and received prison sentences of 7 years and fines of 10,000 pesos. The two aforementioned individuals were captured on 22 November 1979 at a residence located at No 2622 La Fragua Avenue, in the Morelos development. The Federal Judicial Police had learned that persons at that residence were trafficking in drugs. They undertook the investigation and captured Cardenas Alvarez and Rangel Salazar when the latter had 18 grams of heroin in his possession. [Text] [Nuevo Laredo EL DIARIO DE NUEVO LAREDO in Spanish 27 May 80 Sec B p 3] 2909

TON OF MARIHUANA SEIZED--Last Sunday, with the aid of State Judicial Police agents, the federal prosecutor, Nicolas Martinez Cerda, seized over a ton of marihuana stored in a residence in the "Lomas de Jarachino" development, in Ciudad Reynosa, Tamaulipas. At the agency of the Federal Public Ministry, Martinez Cerda himself explained to reporters from this source that, last Sunday, he visited Ciudad Reynosa, Tamaulipas, in order to visit some relatives. When he reached the "Lomas de Jarachino" development, he found out from a woman that there appeared to be some marihuana in a certain residence. The federal prosecutor therefore decided to investigate, requesting assistance from the State Judicial Police in Ciudad Reynosa. The woman had explained to Martinez Cerda that she noticed a very strange grass on the stairway of the residence. As soon as the federal prosecutor entered the residence, he observed a large amount of packaged marihuana in one of the bedrooms. In the backyard of the dwelling, there was a brand-new house trailer, loaded with marihuana. The house trailer contained approximately 700 kilograms of cannabis indica. Martinez Cerda reported that, inside the residence, there was documentation bearing the names of some individuals who were already being sought by the Federal Judicial Police because they were presumed to be the owners of the marihuana that was seized. [Text] [Nuevo Laredo EL DIARIO DE NUEVO LAREDO in Spanish 27 May 80 Sec B p 3] 2909

VEHICLE SEARCHES JAM BRIDGES--Ciudad Juarez, Chihuahua, 30 Jun --Eight of the 10 lanes of the El Paso international bridge were closed yesterday by United States immigration authorities in order to make searches of the vehicles and thereby eliminate drug trafficking such as that discovered last Friday. The measure caused tieups in this town and angry protests from the public. Eduardo Aguilera Alvarez, chief of traffic in Ciudad Juarez, stated that about 120,000 vehicles of tourists who visit Mexico on weekends were lined up for over 2 hours upon their return from the neighboring country, blocking the downtown streets. The official noted that such situations hurt business in Ciudad Juarez, because weekend tourism declines. [Text] [Mexico City EXCELSIOR in Spanish 1 Jul 80 Sec A p 38] 2909

POLICE OFFICER'S RELATIVES ARRESTED--Monterrey, Nuevo Leon, 30 Jun --Early this morning, agents of the Federal Judicial Police and the Army arrested six relatives of the traffic chief of Ciudad Guadalupe, in the municipality of China, for growing marihuana at the Las Lajitas farm. Jesus Torres Espejo, chief of the State Judicial Police, said that Rogelio Cantu Cantu, brother of the aforementioned traffic chief, headed this drug trafficking ring, and that there would be more arrests. Jesus Gerardo Serrano, Federal Judicial Police group chief, and Lt Col Jaime Sanchez Barranco, of the Seventh Military Zone, led the operation against the drug traffickers. The other five under arrest are Pablo, Juan de Dios, Eustaquio, Jesus and Orlando Cantu Cantu, all of who were placed at the disposal of the agent of the Federal Public Ministry, Juan Murguia Valdes. At the farm in question, 30,000 marihuana plants were burned, and a tank truck with a false bottom in which they shipped the drugs to other states was seized. [Text] [Mexico City EXCELSIOR in Spanish 1 Jul 80 Sec A p 38] 2909

COCAINE, PERUVIAN TRAFFICKER SEIZED--In the customs room of the International Airport of Mexico City, agents of the Federal Criminal Police arrested a Peruvian who was hiding a bag of high quality cocaine inside a package of cigarettes of a known brand. After making a body search, the federal agents discovered that the Peruvian, Mario Ignacio Ugarte Chiabra, was carrying another plastic bag of the drug in a small suitcase. In all, he was carrying 410 grams of pure cocaine. The foreigner was travelling with false papers, coming from Lima, Peru. Among his papers there was an identification card in the name of Leonardo Abelardo Garcia Olivares, from whom he bought it for \$200 in Lima, according to what he told the agents who arrested him. An investigation was initiated by the federal agents, who, through some information provided by the prisoner, arrested Jorge Martin Franco Olivares, an accomplice of his compatriot. Franco Olivares was arrested inside a travel agency located on Paseo de la Reforma, while he was preparing to buy a plane ticket to travel to the United States. Both foreigners were placed at the disposition of the General Directorate for Preliminary Investigations. [Text] [Mexico City EL SOL DE MEXICO in Spanish 9 May 80 p 8A] 8956

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PANAMA

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COCAINE SEIZED--Personnel of the narcotics section of the Treasury Ministry arrested Arnoldo Estrada Herrera, a 29-year old Guatemalan, at Tocumen Airport on 12 July. He arrived from Lima and was carrying two bottles of Peruvian Liquor filled with 800 gm of cocaine diluted in alcohol. [Panama City LA REPUBLICA in Spanish 16 Jul 80 p 10-A]

DRUG TRAFFICKER'S ARREST--Ivan Reina Barrera, a 29-year old Colombian residing in the United States, was arrested at Tocumen International Airport on his arrival from Cali, Colombia, when customs inspectors discovered approximately 451 grams of cocaine in his shoes. The trafficker told the authorities that he was paid \$700 for transporting the drug to Nassau. This drug is worth approximately \$20,000 on the international market. [Panama City MATUTINO in Spanish 11 Jul 80 p 2A]

DRUG TRAFFICKERS ARRESTED--Three Cuban-Americans and two Panamanians were under arrest today after narcotics agents smashed what is considered one of the largest drug hauls registered here. A total of 15 pounds of cocaine, valued in the open market at \$4 million, were confiscated Thursday during raids made on two rooms in the Hotel Internacional. The drug was brought into Panama by two of the Cubans, after a third member "bought out" two Tocumen employees and sent word to Guayaquil that "the coast was clear." But, narcotics agents were on to the caper, and were pretty close when the suitcase was diverted from inspection by the Panamanian employees. Then, the men were followed to the hotel. Facing possession of narcotics charges are Cuban Americans Rafael Candido Caldero Garcia, Carlos Manuel Fernandez and Otto Ressende. The Panamanians are Rafael Ceballos Seminario, 30, and Bolivar Tang Fortaleche, 32. [Text] [Panama City STAR AND HERALD in English 27 Jul 80 p A-1]

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POLICE TRAFFICKER--Trujillo Police Chief [name indistinct] was arrested by his own personnel when he tried to sell 9 kilograms of cocaine base worth 10 million soles. The police have also seized 8.4 kilograms of cocaine and arrested 13 drug traffickers in Trujillo. [PY161430 Lima Radio Union in Spanish 1130 GMT 16 Jul 80 PY]

COCAINE SEIZED--Highway patrol personnel have found 73 kilograms of cocaine base hidden in a van being driven from Puno to Lima. [PY151441 Lima Radio Union 1130 GMT 15 Jul 80 PY]

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IRAN

DRUG TRAFFIC, USE LEADS TO ARRESTS, EXECUTIONS

Bani-Sadr Issues Guidelines

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[Excerpt] The press and cultural adviser to the president, in a contact with the Central News Bureau of the Voice and Profile of the Islamic Republic of Iran, announced that Hojjat ol-Eslam Sheykh Sadeq Khalkhali, one of the representatives in the Islamic Majles and in charge of antinarcotic operations, met with Dr Seyed Abolhasan Bani-Sadr, the president of the Islamic Republic of Iran. The meeting lasted 1 hour and 15 minutes. The president of our country issued more guidelines in connection with the welfare of drug addicts and related issues.

Executions Announced

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[Excerpt] Two more narcotics smugglers have been executed. According to a PARS NEWS AGENCY correspondent, Hojjat ol-Eslam Sadeq Khalkhali, supervisor of antinarcotics campaign, has said in an interview:

Javad Tehrani, son of 'Alireza, resident of Tehran, was sentenced to death by a special Islamic court, charged with active participation in the sale and distribution of heroin and causing the addiction of a 7-year-old boy, as well as committing indecent assault against him. The sentence was carried out. Moreover, Fatemeh Khamushgar, who had previously received leniency from the court, was sentenced to death by the court, overruling an earlier verdict. She had continued in her activity and was convicted of having distributed and sold 106 kg of heroin. The sentence was carried out later.

Roundups Ordered

WA172007 Tehran TIMES in English 2 Jun 80 p 1

[Text] Tehran--President Abolhasan Bani-Sadr yesterday ordered Islamic Judge Ayatollah Sadeq Khalkhali to round up drug addicts from the streets of Tehran and arrange their treatment, the state radio said.

Bani-Sadr issued the order after a 75-minute meeting with Khalkhali, who ordered recently the executions of 41 men found guilty of trafficking in drugs.

The meeting appeared to mark the end of a row in which Bani-Sadr stripped Khalkhali of judicial powers when he initiated the destruction of a Tehran mausoleum of the shah's father last month. The mausoleum was left half in ruins as Khalkhali became preoccupied with a campaign to eradicate rampant drug addiction in Iran.

Bani-Sadr ordered the army and revolutionary guards to cooperate with Khalkhali in tracking down drug smugglers and peddlers. But hundreds of drug addicts encamped at the luxurious Tehran Horse Racing Club were ordered removed from the area after protests by employees of the closed down club. The \$35-million track was allowed to reopen after the Islamic Revolution last year because Imam Khomeyni decreed that wagering on horses did not defy Islamic law. But revolutionaries objected to mixed gatherings of male and female punters.

After drug addicts were taken to the track last week, the revolutionaries accused track managers of spying, citing the ultra modern computers, closed-circuit television and communication equipment. Employees hotly retorted that the equipment was commonly used in any modern racecourse.

The 60-hectare (148 acres) racecourse was ordered by the shah and features a three-story grandstand, with airconditioned viewing for members on two floors and capacity for 30,000 racegoers on the ground, 25 boxes for privileged members and a royal box, eight restaurants and snack bars and a huge car park.

Thanks to the great efforts of the brave rising nation, we took great steps and blocked this destructive flood. In this task, we will need your cooperation and will continue our work until the demise of this ruinous disease.

The smuggling gangs should know that wherever they are, we will pursue them and will exterminate them. We will not give them the slightest opportunity to be active. A nation that has cast the wretched monarchical system into the wastebin of history is able to do the same with the monarchical and aristocratic culture and civilization. This is the decisive decision of the great Iranian nation.

[Signed] Sadeq Khalkhali

Thirty Smugglers Arrested

LD051153 Tehran Domestic Service in Persian 0930 GMT 5 Jun 80

[Text] Thanks to the persistent efforts of Hojjat ol-Eslam Khalkhali, this morning 30 narcotics smugglers were arrested at Jurqan, Hamadan region.

On orders of Hojjat ol-Eslam Khalkhali seven of the smugglers arrested in Hamadan were executed at noon today. On orders of the Islamic Revolution Court of Hamadan this morning five more narcotics smugglers were executed.

Smugglers Executed

LD061756 Tehran Domestic Service in Persian 1630 GMT 6 Jun 80

[Text] According to the Hamadan correspondent, on the second day of his stay in Hamadan, Hojjat ol-Eslam Khalkhali, accompanied by a task force group, surrounded the village [word indistinct] 2 km from Hamadan at 0400 today and arrested a number of professional smugglers. Four of those arrested were 'Ali Oroghi, Haj Mohammad Norozi, Safar 'Ali F'alehgari and Kamran Reza'i. They were convicted and sentenced to death, and the sentences were carried out immediately.

Further Executions

LD100332 Tehran Domestic Service in Persian 0230 GMT 10 Jun 80

[Text] According to PARS NEWS AGENCY, 10 persons were sentenced to death at the special Islamic Revolution Court of the center for the fight against narcotics in the early hours of this morning. Hojjat ol-Eslam Sheykh Sadeq Khalkhali, supervisor of the center for the fight against narcotics, said in an interview with the PARS NEWS AGENCY correspondent: These persons were of the most dangerous, and at the same time, the dirtiest gang that so far has been executed. They used innocent children and also were involved in selling girls and boys and running centers of corruption. They were involved in killing and highway robbery, using the financial means and weapons at their disposal, and stopped at nothing in the pursuit of their evil aims.

Khalkhali Statement

LD100440 Tehran Domestic Service in Persian 0330 GMT 10 Jun 80

[Text] Hojjat ol-Eslam Sheykh Sadeq Khalkhali, supervisor of the fight against narcotics, issued the following statement to PARS NEWS AGENCY in connection with the recent executions:

In the name of God. The great Muslim Iranian nation should know that since international imperialism and world-devouring Zionism were not able to destroy this nation in face of the powerful will of the nation by way of force, king-making and their chained dogs in the region, or to divide Iran, they embarked on a more dangerous venture. By importing thousands of kilograms of heroin, opium and hashish from Burma, Thailand, Pakistan, Afghanistan and India they made addicts of our newly ripe flowers and destroyed more than 500,000 youths; so that instead of being busy with running factories, reconstructing dear Iran and the development of agriculture and animal husbandry, these youths involuntarily fell down in the streets, waiting for the evil powder. The danger of the spread of this disease is comparatively greater than that of the First and Second World Wars, not only for Iran but for mankind.

Everybody knows that if this disease spreads, not only will we no longer have active, young and able members, but--more important than that--this shah-stricken country will have regressed 200 years and been driven to doom by the vampiric hands of the evil merchants.

Opium Cache Discovery

WA011449 Tehran KEYHAN in Persian 19 Jun 80 p 2

[Text] A spokesman of the gendarmerie of the Islamic Republic of Iran has announced that gendarmerie officials of the Province of Mazandaran, in cooperation with a strike group of Hojjat ol-Eslam Khalkhali, have succeeded in discovering 490 kilograms of opium in the possession of a person named Abdol Rahman Qajuqi, whom they arrested.

The gendarmerie spokesman added that this opium was found within 3 kilometers of the guard post at Galaleh.

Furthermore, officials of the Lorestan area have succeeded in discovering 11 kilograms of opium, 11 kilograms of opium sap, 12 weapons and 129 cartridges.

Treatment Center

LD011837 Tehran Domestic Service in Persian 1630 GMT 01 Jul 80

[Text] According to a report by the PARS NEWS AGENCY, Hojjat ol-Eslam Sheykh Sadeq Khalkhali has announced that the Takht-e Jamshid complex would be used for the treatment of drug addicts.

This complex, which consists of the Homa Hotel, Persepolis Hotel, Naqsh-e Rostam printing company and the officers' residence, has been put at the disposal of addicts by the Iran National Airways, HOMA.

Hojjat ol-Eslam Sheykh Sadeq Khalkhali said that he would go to this area for a visit soon. He has also accepted the expenses for this complex until the formation of the government budget, from the credits fund, up to 500 million tumans.

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IRAN

NEW MEASURES PROPOSED TO COMBAT ADDICTION

Tehran JAVANAN-E EMRUZ in Persian 9 Jun 80 pp 25, 26, 47

[Text] With 7 proposals from the magazine JAVANAN we pursue the "National and Revolutionary Plan to Pull Out the Roots of Addiction Throughout Iran".

The addiction of several million Iranian young people will be completely uprooted within a limited time.

As it moves with revolutionary decisiveness to root out smugglers and major producers of narcotics, the Ministry of Health must take steps quickly to round up derelicts and cure respected addicts.

Addict's pills that have proven medical value should be given to all pharmacies so that those who wish to avoid hospitalization and public exposure can conveniently purchase these pills and quit narcotics.

Let's study the issue of addiction: We said that addiction, whether in Iran or other countries, has causes, factors, instigators, and reasons whose roots should be sought in a capitalist oriented system, class conflicts, cultural and educational deprivation, social problems caused by an ailing, dependent economy, lack of affection, and in personal and psychological belittlement in the environment of the family.

Sealing Borders and Stopping Domestic Production

Uprooting this phenomenon in our country is difficult but not impossible, because we know many countries throughout the world who have succeeded in this. Without going into detail, success in this matter has two aspects: first, cutting off the channels of narcotics importation from abroad, whether by sea, land, or air, and then by eliminating the possibility and the means for their domestic production and distribution. All of this is the

responsibility of military and enforcement officials. Hojjatoleslam Sheykh Sadeq Khalkhali is now determined to pursue this decisively.

Dealers in the Lives of Human Beings

Here we should consider the importance of the issue from the point of view of society and we should see, who are these major smugglers who have been arrested and condemned to death during the last two or three weeks, with great quantities of opium dross, heroin, and hashish?

Economically speaking, they are capitalists. They are capitalists whose stock in trade is the hearts and souls of a generation, as a matter of fact the younger generation of the country that could be--and should be--the creative imagination and the powerful arm of the Iranian Moslem Nation's splendid revolution. Five million addicts--according to some officials--is indeed no joke. That means that of every eight Iranians one is a captive in the fearsome jungle of addiction. Ninety-nine percent of them are between 20 and 30 years of age, the peak years of a human being's physical and mental capacity.

Is This not a Tragedy?

Yes, for example these cruel and satanic capitalists will take 5 million tumans cash and convert it to gold (the international dealers in smuggled goods in Turkey, Pakistan, and Afghanistan accept only gold. They do not honor any money, neither dollars, marks, nor Iranian currency). Then they will go and buy, for example, a thousand or more kilos of opium and take it to their huge laboratories in which they have invested millions of tumans, and make heroin from it. It was reported in the press that in one of them, belonging to one smuggler, three hundred kilos of heroin were found. Every kilo is one thousand grams, every gram one hundred centigrams. When you realize that one addict usually uses five centigrams of heroin, you see that this thirty million centigrams of heroin is enough to destroy a nation. Isn't this a tragedy? A tragedy inflicted by traders in the lives of human beings?

How Have They Evaded Custody?

A responsible officer, who was for years chief of the antinarcotics campaign organization, told a reporter at the time of the arrest of one of these major smugglers in Zahedan: When I was a second lieutenant just out of officer's school, this man was already one of Iran's major smugglers. He is still a major smuggler, and I am now a full colonel. Imagine how many unaware and lost young people he has drawn into corruption during this time, how many homes he has broken, and what a lot of talent, creativity, skill, expertise, and creative, healthy thinking he has annihilated.

The Colonel Said:

This man, clearly an enemy of humanity, has been arrested a number of times during this long period by the police and the Genarmerie, but was released from prison every time because of his strong connections with important

government officials, whose leader Ashraf Pahlavi was one of the main ringleaders of the international smuggling network, or else was released after several months in prison and returned to his profligate activities again. Isn't the existence of such a notorious man fatally poisonous to the revolutionary generation of Iran? Of course it is, and Hojatoleslam Khalkhali should be applauded for rooting out these evil insects.

A Serious Task for the Ministry of Health

The second aspect of uprooting addiction is saving the addicts until the importation and domestic production of narcotics is entirely stopped, and importantly, as Hojatoleslam Khalkhali said in his last talk, this is the responsibility of government groups, especially the Ministry of Health and Welfare. Let's look at the subject more carefully. Most of the 5 million addicts--with some margin for error either way--are young white and blue-collar workers, businessmen, respected and trusted in the community. Some of them have only recently joined the ranks of the addicted, and even now their families are not aware of the situation. A small group has also been separated from home and family that is unable to work and earn wages because of the severity of its addiction to heroin and tranquilizers, and which has turned to vagrancy, and sometimes theft, pickpocketing and purse snatching.

Addiction and Vagrancy are Two Different Problems

The government should consider this small group separately from that large group. They should be rounded up off the streets and neighborhoods of the city as far as possible. As for the others, who do not want anyone, especially their families, to know they are addicted, it should arrange for their hospitalization or treatment as outpatients. We propose, for the outpatients, that all treatment centers and hospitals in the country at least make some beds and treatment facilities available to addicts, and also that the centers established by the revolutionary and enthusiastic young members of the committees and the Revolution Guards be put at the disposal of the Ministry of Health and Welfare, so that this Ministry, with greater responsibility and the cooperation of all involved, responsible and well-meaning people throughout the country can undertake to hospitalize all addicts who wish to be hospitalized.

A Suggestion for Outpatient Treatment

For the remainder of the addicts who do not wish to be hospitalized, and who wish to receive outpatient treatment in order both to continue working and earning money and to prevent their families' learning about the situation, we have a proposal for the Ministry of Health and Welfare:

The narcotic pills which were formerly available to addicts through this ministry at a cost of 85 rials should be imported directly by the ministry itself and made available to all pharmacies throughout the country so that addicts--just the way you and I buy aspirin at a pharmacy without a doctor's prescription--can go to a pharmacy without a prescription and buy narcotic pills in order to gradually kick the habit on their own.

It Will Produce Both Revenues and Cures

It was previously required that all addicts should first give their full names and addresses several different times in several different places as addicts in order to obtain 100 pills. Most of them, not wishing to be recognized, were reluctant to go to the Ministry of Health. With our proposal there is no need for identification. This proposal, in addition to its positive provisions for curing addicts, has the additional material merit of being a potential source of income for the government. The Ministry of Health could sell these pills, which previously sold for less than 1 rial, for 5 rials, for example, so that respectable addicts could buy the pills with no reservations. As it is now, if they are available in the open market each pill sometimes costs up to 100 rials. In this way, vagrant heroin addicts and pill poppers would be rounded up from among the people of society and kept in custody in one place where they could not harm healthy young people and adolescents. The level of theft, pickpocketing, and purse snatching would then naturally decrease while respectable addicts would have a way to cure themselves, and especially now when narcotics are difficult to obtain and in the future as well, as Hojjatoleslam Khalkhali continues his revolutionary campaign, they will either be entirely eliminated or at least very rare. They will be inordinately expensive as a result and they will make the most use of this method of forswearing addiction--buying narcotic pills from the pharmacies. This is the best way possible to help the millions of young addicts and their needy and scattered families.

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ISRAEL

TWO HELD FOR MASSIVE SINAI DRUG SMUGGLING

Jerusalem JERUSALEM POST in English 6 Jul 80 p 1

/Article by Yoram Bar/

/Text/

Police on Friday seized two Beduin they say were in possession of 140 kilos of hashish, worth hundreds of thousands of shekels. They believe they have cut the supply from Sinai to Israel for a significant period.

The two suspects, arrested after prolonged surveillance, are suspected of smuggling tons of hashish into Israel. They were caught in the Jora area of Northern Sinai, according to Pakad Haviv Schweiki, head of the National Police Drug squad. Schweiki told reporters Friday that most of the hash gets to Sinai in fishing boats from Lebanon or on camelback from Jordan and Egypt.

The smugglers use such equipment as radios and scout patrols and jeeps, he added.

At midnight last Thursday dozens of police detectives and soldiers spread out in the Jora area, where a meeting had been set between detectives posing as drug merchants and the two suspects.

At 2.30 a.m. on Friday the suspects arrived, police said. A few minutes later another Beduin appeared on camel back and gave the suspects sacks containing hashish.

Police caught the first two suspects and chased the third, who disappeared into the darkness on his mount.

In another case, two Khan Yunis drug dealers were sentenced Thursday to four and one-half years in jail and fined IS10,000 each in the Tel Aviv District Court. Mahareb Nazzar, 23, and Ashour Jihad, 32, were convicted of attempting to sell 24 kilograms of hashish to two undercover policemen who posed as a dealer and a tourist. A third man, Mahmoud A'ayan, 27, had his sentencing deferred after he protested his innocence.

Judge Victoria Ostrovsky-Cohen handed down "relatively light" sentences because the dealers admitted their guilt, but noted that the courts must crack down on drug distributors.

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GUINEA-BISSAU

BRIEFS

FOREIGNERS EXPELLED--Bissau, 22 Jul--A Canadian woman employed by the U.N., a U.S. citizen and 4 Europeans will be expelled from Guinea-Bissau after being indicted on charges of drug trafficking, this African country's commissariate of internal affairs announced yesterday. A spokesman stated that an investigation had taken place last month, in the course of which these individuals' criminal activities had been proved. [Text]]Maputo NOTICIAS in Portuguese 23 Jul 80 p 10]

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KENYA

CHANG'AA PROHIBITION BILL PASSED

Nairobi DAILY NATION in English 18 Jul 80 p 4

[Excerpt] Parliament passed the Chang'aa Prohibition Bill after a short debate during the second and third readings.

Replying to the debate during its second reading, Attorney-General James Karugu stressed the importance of the rule of law.

"I want to reiterate that I am committed to the rule of law because I know that we have a President who believes in it. The President also believes in the Constitution," he said.

Noting that this was his maiden Bill in the House, the Attorney-General said the proposed fine of 10,000/- or two years' imprisonment was not mandatory. The magistrates have wide margin to impose the fines or sentences in accordance with the persons involved.

He said if someone like himself was found guilty of the offence, the magistrate should impose a harsh sentence.

Mr. Karugu told the House that an amendment he proposed would make it easier for a police officer to enforce the law.

He said he had taken into account the points raised by Members, but stressed that Members should be committed to the rule of law.

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KENYA

BRIEFS

BHANG IN GOVERNMENT VEHICLE--Police in Homa Bay yesterday morning intercepted a Government lorry carrying 1,043 kg. of bhang. The lorry, GK 951N, belonging to the Ministry of Basic Education's Kenya School Equipment Scheme, was intercepted on the Homa Bay Rongo road. A spokesman at Homa Bay police station said the lorry was authorised to travel from Nairobi to Kisumu and back, but had undertaken a 290-kilometre unauthorised journey to South Nyanza. The occupants of the lorry and a pickup escorting it were arrested and the vehicles detained at the police station, the spokesman said. Police on patrol suspected the lorry since it was traveling under escort and found the bhang in sacks and other containers. One of the passengers in the lorry is said to have disappeared in the bush. Those arrested will appear in court today.--KNA [Text] [Nairobi DAILY NATION in English 29 Jul 80 p 1]

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ITALY

BRIEFS

HEROIN CONSUMPTION IN ROME--Supposedly 20,000 doses of heroin are used in Rome every day: this figure, imprecise though alarming, is the result of an investigation of the city's drug stores. The drug stores chosen for the poll number about 40, all in different sections. All the owners stated, with absolute certainty, that at least 90 percent of the special plastic syringes for insulin injections are used by heroin addicts. The number of this kind of syringe sold in Rome totals 25,000 per day, thus enabling one to calculate (and exceed) the ceiling figure of 20,000 heroin doses used. The investigation of the drug stores also revealed that there are other realities to contend with, again based on the number of special syringes sold: the neighborhoods where heroin addiction is heaviest include Stazione Termini, Centocelle, Tor Pignattara and Primavalle. All pharmacists interviewed have complained about hardships in their dealings with drug addicts, people who evidently do not act in a state of "normality," that is, like any other customer. Cases of vandalism as well as threats reportedly are numerous. Often is the case in which the person, once in possession of the syringe, leaves without paying. The pharmacists are not only worried about their physical security or their business. In fact, all of those polled stated that they were opposed to the fact that insulin syringes are for sale in department stores and even in some tobacco stores and bars. [Text] [Rome L'UNITA in Italian 6 Jul 80 p 11] 9209

DRUG ARRESTS IN NAPLES--Naples--A young man has been arrested and two others held for possession of and dealing in drugs in the course of an antidrug operation undertaken by the Squadra Mobile of the Naples Questura. The man arrested is Ciro De Simone, 22, of Naples, in whose apartment the police found quantities of heroin and marihuana as well as precision weight scales. The two being held are Giovanni Toscano, 19, and Salvatore Scarpelli, 21, both of Portici. Both were picked up while driving through that city, on the foothills of the Vesuvius. Several heroin packets were found in the automobile. According to the authorities, they acquired the packets from De Simone with the intent of reselling them. The search of Toscano's house yielded a sabre and two daggers, belonging to Guido Toscano, father of Giovanni, a native of San Marcellino (Caserta). For possession of these weapons, an arrest warrant has been issued against the man by the judicial authorities. [Text] [Milan L'UNITA in Italian 7 Jul 80 p 4] 9209

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NETHERLANDS

POLICE SMASH HEROIN, HASHISH GANGS

The Rague ALGEMEEN NEDERLANDS PERSBUREAU in English 4 Jul 80 p 5

[Text] Police today announced the rounding up of two separate gangs who are alleged to have smuggled more than four million guilders worth of drugs into the Netherlands.

In Amsterdam, police told a press conference they had arrested 30 people, including 26 Turks, after finding 20 kilos of smuggled heroin. The other detainees included an Irishman and a Hungarian whose identities were not disclosed.

In the southern town of Eindhoven, police said they had arrested 18 members of a gang which had smuggled a tonne of hashish from Morocco. Some of the haul had been destined for Paris, where it was to have been sold by one of the suspects, a 34-year-old Briton identified only by his initials D.J.

The heroin smugglers were led by a 23-year-old Turk and his Dutch wife who had bought three light planes, a new Mercedes limousine and a jeep with the proceeds, police said.

They added that the gang had probably smuggled in another 30 kilos of the drug which had not yet been found. They said it had been brought from Turkey via West Berlin and that the operation was the biggest heroin smuggling ring so far discovered which had been transporting narcotics from the Middle East to the Netherlands.

False Compartments

The 20 kilos of heroin which had been confiscated was worth at least 1.8 million guilders at wholesale prices, police said.

They added that five of the Turks had been detained in West Berlin. The ringleader, identified by his initials S.O., was caught following the discovery of six kilos of heroin in a German-registered car. The Hungarian and the Irishman were believed to have received several hundred grammes of the drug, police said.

Eindhoven police said the tonne of hashish was worth about 2.5 million guilders.

They named the gang's mastermind as a 41-year-old Dutch contractor who had fitted false compartments in a caravan and a lorry to transport the substance.

He had hidden 670 kilos of hashish in the attic of an estate agent in the nearby town of Son. Police said that 65 kilos of the drug were found in a French-registered delivery van in the Netherlands, close to the Belgian frontiers.

Twelve of the 18 people arrested in connection with the hashish smuggling ring were Dutch. The others came from France, Belgium, and Britain. Police gave no details of them but said the detainees varied in ages from 18 to 49.

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NORWAY

TROMSO POLICE ARREST FOUR: GANG SOLD HASHISH, HEROIN

Oslo AFTENPOSTEN in Norwegian 28 Jun 80 p 9

[Text] At least 20 kg of hashish and a larger amount of heroin was brought into Tromso during the past eighteen months. Up to now five people have been arrested, and new arrests are expected in the near future. The police are now searching for the ringleader, a foreigner, whose extradition will be requested as soon as he is apprehended in his own country. All of the arrested persons, one woman and the rest men, are in their 20's. Police estimate the value of the imported hashish at over 1.5 million kroner, and the heroin at about 2 million kroner.

Three of those arrested are charged under paragraph 162, the so-called "professional paragraph," which provides for 10 years imprisonment. In addition to the five who are now in custody, two more persons have been imprisoned. One was released, while the other is still being held. He was sentenced to 90 days unconditional imprisonment for having received four hectograms of hashish for sale.

Five others were arrested and interrogated. None of these was held, because the police did not have sufficient grounds to request imprisonment.

Adjutant Truls Fyhn of the Tromso police told AFTENPOSTEN that more people are being sought by the police, and that there will be more arrests in the near future.

Adjutant Fyhn also said that the police are certain of the identity of the ringleader, a foreigner who is probably now in his own country. The police also know that the principal couriers in various European countries have also made deliveries to other places in Norway. Among other places, the members of the gang have operated in Oslo where they brought in several kg of hashish. Smuggling to Tromso has been carried out by means of automobiles and ordinary commercial aircraft.

Relatively small amounts of narcotics have been seized in connection with breaking the narcotics case, which is the largest case of its kind in the history of the Tromso police. One hundred seventy grams of hashish was seized, along with smaller amounts of heroin, cocaine, amphetamines, and LSD. Most of the seized narcotics were found on the persons of those who are now under arrest. The police also seized 45 hashish plants.

"It was almost two years ago that we learned that there was something in the wind relating to importing and sale of narcotics in Tromso. Since then we have continued to follow the matter intensely, and have had close cooperation with the police in certain European countries where the ringleaders have obtained their deliveries, and with the narcotics section of the Oslo police. We have also sent three men abroad to follow the investigation from there," said Adjutant Fyhn.

"The reason why we did not make the first arrests before April of this year was simply because of our investigative techniques. We now believe that we have knowledge of all those involved in the case. That is partly because of the helpful cooperation that we have had with the local newspapers. I know that they have had knowledge of the case, but they have complied with our requests not to print information which could damage the investigation," said Fyhn.

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SPAIN

GANG OF TRAFFICKERS ARRESTED, 850 GRAMS OF COCAINE FOUND

Madrid YA in Spanish 1 Jun 80 p 42

[Text] A major ring of "hard" drug traffickers has been broken up by inspectors from the Madrid Judicial Police antidrug service, who arrested seven individuals presumably implicated in cocaine trafficking.

Those in custody were found to have in their possession 850 grams of cocaine which, when adulterated, could be converted into about 3 kilograms of that substance, of very pure quality, worth approximately 20 million pesetas on the black market. Also recovered were 3.4 million pesetas in banknotes and jewels valued at an additional million.

A Bolivian named Oscar Duran Cardel, aged 39, was the person mainly responsible for the distribution of the drugs. He was arrested together with Maria Luisa Matute Gemora, aged 41, of Philippine nationality, a woman with whom Duran Cardel maintained regular contacts and who has been charged with complicity.

The other five individuals under arrest are Manuel Alejandro Leal, Argentine, aged 44, known by the nickname "Nene Varela"; Alfredo Ernesto Nino-Seever Wigger, also Argentine, aged 41; Antonio Espeleta Sanchez, a Spaniard 21 years of age; Angel Aguado Abad, aged 29, and Juan Vilches Castrejos, aged 26, also both Spaniards.

For several days, the Madrid police had detected considerable sales of cocaine in discotheques and other public establishments in the northern zone of Madrid. As a result, they stationed surveillance forces until they succeeded in focusing suspicion on an individual known as "Oscar," who was later identified as Oscar Duran, former proprietor of a "topless" establishment, who resided in an apartment on Capitan Haya Street.

This individual was subjected to close surveillance for several days, in order to find out who his contacts were in the distribution of drugs. In this way, they succeeded in identifying the proprietor of a newsstand on Estebanez Calderon Street, Juan Vilhes, and a student, Angel Aguado, who often visited the Bolivian's apartment.

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A similar procedure was used to apprehend the other individuals. Alfredo Nino and Antonio Espeleta were also accused of possessing forged documents, which were found in their respective residences.

The 850 grams of cocaine were seized from the various traffickers, and the money and jewels were in bank safe deposit boxes in the name of Oscar Duran. Leal has a record for using forged documents and for drug trafficking; Vilches was arrested 3 years ago, also for drug trafficking; and the others had no criminal records.

Great Progress in the Battle Against Drugs

In an interview published in the professional journal POLICIA ESPANOLA (Spanish Police), the Chief of the Costa del Sol narcotics group claimed: "We have attained goals that we did not even dream of 4 years ago."

According to its head, the Costa del Sol police unit is a special group operating with a certain amount of autonomy, and engaged exclusively in eliminating, or at least curbing the drug traffic from North Africa to the Spanish coasts.

The journal states: "On an expanse of 16 square meters of the Torremolinos police headquarters, the men, furnishings, gear and equipment of the group are housed." It began operating in January 1976, "maintaining an effective, relentless battle against the organizations of drug traffickers operating in southern Spain."

From the time of its creation until the present, the Costa del Sol group has seized 3,000 kilograms of "cannabis" and has discovered over 5,000 being trafficked. Also in its activities, this group has made 800 arrests for drug trafficking and possession, and it has to its credit the disbanding of 16 trafficking organizations, both national and international.

According to the group chief, First Inspector Augusto Blanco Castillo: "In 1976 we seized only about 50 kilograms, including marihuana and hashish; and in 1979 we seized over 2 tons, one kilogram after another, and one shipment of contraband after another, with very few resources and a shortage of men."

The Costa del Sol group chief also indicated that the narcotics service should be given more attention and have its personnel and facilities provided for, "because (he said) the problem will become too much for us, not only in itself, but also with repercussions on other criminal activities associated with it."

The aforementioned police narcotics unit is operating in close communication and coordination with the General Headquarters of Judicial Police, the Central Narcotics Brigade and the chiefs of the respective staffs.

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NARCOTICS SEIZED IN ISTANBUL--Maritime Branch Teams seized green-colored "Chinese hashish" with a market value of close to 100 million lira. The material was found on a motorboat during checks made in the Golden Horn area. The boat's captain was taken into custody during the operation. According to information provided by Maritime Branch Director Luftu Tomus, maritime police stopped and searched a motorboat which was nearing shore at night off Kasimpasa. Plastic packets were discovered inside white sacks on the motorboat "Derman." When the packets which were wrapped in gelatin paper were opened, a total of 5 kilos of green-colored Chinese hashish was found in 10 aluminium tins. The boat's captain, Mehmet Ali Aslan, was taken into custody. The Maritime Branch Director said that the market value of this green hashish, which is produced from hashish grown in China, was close to 100 million lira. The operation is pressing toward the arrest of Osman Beserik and Necmi Terzi, the owners of the seized boat. [Text] [Istanbul TERCUMAN in Turkish 29 Jul 80 pp 1, 12]

HEROIN SEIZED--Some 24 kilos of powder heroin worth 7 million liras [as heard] has been seized in Istanbul's Yesilkoy airport. Acting on a tip, the suitcases of two Lufthansa passengers booked on the flight to Frankfurt were searched. The heroin was found among packs of dried fruit. The two passengers, one of them an FRG citizen, were taken into custody. [Ankara Domestic Service in Turkish 1900 GMT 23 Jul 80]

HASHISH DISCOVERED--Eighty-five kgs of powder hashish was found near Narlibucagi in Kahramanmaras' Pazarcik district. The gendarmes found the hashish packed in three sacks in a car between Narlibucagi and Pazarcik. Two persons were detained. Also Indian hemp illegally sown in a 17,000 square meter area in two villages connected to Pazarcik was destroyed. Four persons were detained. [Ankara Domestic Service in Turkish 1500 GMT 4 Aug 80]

HASHISH IN ISTANBUL--During a search, police found 242 kilograms of powdered hashish with a market value of about 75 million Turkish liras in a motorboat in Istanbul. Officials say that the hashish was packed to be sent abroad. One person was detained in connection with the incident. [Ankara Domestic Service in Turkish 1000 GMT 28 Jul 80]

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