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Solicitor-General Opposed To Legalizing Marijuana

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additional number with specific instructions to give them free to young people who have not already used the drug. Mr. McIlraith points out that this is clearly designed to gain new customers and expand the market.
The product sold will vary widely in quality and strength from place to place. In some cases marijuana is being mixed with high-powered impurities and may contain heroin or LSD-type drugs. Some students find they are paying \$5 or \$10 for nothing but real grass. Marijuana is about six percent strength. Hashish, on the other hand runs from 18% to 40% and what some youngsters are using is hashish.
Mr. McIlraith believes there are a lot of myths about marijuana prevalent at present, which need to be set straight. One of these is the claim that marijuana is non-addictive. He admits it is non-addictive in that there no withdrawal symptoms but it is definitely habit-

In The Spotlight

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ledge being accumulated by his crewmen, including the use of technical equipment, a student-run theatre is not an improbable goal.
Two afternoon performances of "Anthology" will be presented March 11 and 12 at 1.15 pm for students from all the high schools, for the nominal charge of 50c. The opening night, on Friday, March 13, is to be a gala affair, at which the audience will be invited to meet the cast and take refreshments after the show.
Drama Queen of Bayview will be chosen also that evening, from a slate of nominees, all of whom have participated in the year's productions. As well as actresses from "anthology" there will be those from "Miracle Worker", and the school's festival entry, an abridged and modernized version of "The Taming Of The Shrew". This adaptation has been made by Mr. Pearson, and will run for fifty minutes. To be performed in modern dress, this classic of the spitfire brought to heel by her husband has had the archaisms removed from the language without destroying the Elizabethan flavor of the comedy.
It will be presented at Earl Haig Collegiate in the preliminary round of the OGDG District Drama Festival on April 9. The plan has a cast of 25, with Debbie Bolger as Katherine, Barbi Peirce as Bianca, Mark Dobb as Petruchio, Maarten Heilbron as Lucentio, and Bob McDonald as Grumio.
Tickets for "Anthology" are \$1.50, and may be bought from students or ordered by phone from the school, 884-4453. Curtain time is 8 pm.

The first play is to be presented by the Seneca College Children's Theatre was shown last weekend, playing Friday evening, with two performances Saturday and a matinee on Sunday. The play was "Sneeze", by Chris Wiggins, directed by Tom Crothers, a staff member of Seneca College in the English and communications department. Producer was Cathy Day, a fourth semester student in general arts and science. The opening night audience was a very special one. 200 under-privileged Children's Aid youngsters from foster homes and institutions in the area were invited to attend the performance. Helen James, director of the North York Branch of the Children's Aid Society expressed the society's appreciation of the community service rendered in this way by the college.

The problem of rural beautification and replacement of dead elms which have fallen victim to the Dutch Elm disease is being effectively met by the Metro Conservation Authority through a public service to rural landowners and farmers in the region.
Under its farm tree replacement program established in 1963, the authority makes available such species as maple, ash, walnut, locust and poplar at nominal cost to rural landowners and farmers having 10 acres or more.
These trees can be utilized to establish a woodlot and for roadside planting.
The authority will provide the trees and plant them for an overall cost of \$1.50 per tree. The trees are between 5'-6' in height.
The authority has nearly 10,000 trees of various species available for planting on private lands this spring. Last year, some 5,700 trees were provided by the authority under its farm tree replacement program.
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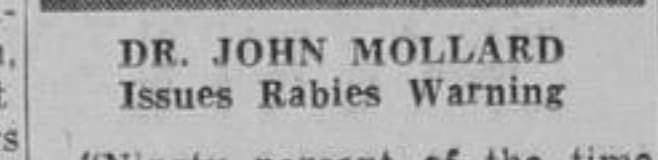
Upsurge In Rabies Serious Problem Warns Richmond Hill Veterinarian

The incidence of rabies in the Richmond Hill area is the highest it's been in the past two years according to a Richmond Hill veterinarian.
Dr. John Mollard told "The Liberal" that while there is "no need for alarm there is a definite need for concern because the disease has become so prevalent this season. Rabies seem to run in three year cycles and it's at its peak now. Last year it was 50 percent higher than the year before."
Rabies is a deadly, always-fatal virus carried south by migrating foxes and is highly contagious to man and beast alike.
"There seems to be a misconception in some quarters as to what form rabies take, how infected animals re-act, and the signs to look for."
"The mention of rabies conjures up the vision of an enraged fox, dog or cat or some other type of animal viciously attacking any adult, child or domestic pet it contacts," he said.
Dr. Mollard stated that of all rabies cases only about 10 percent are "what we call the furious variety where the affected animals will attack."
"Ninety percent of the time rabies takes a mild or paralytic form whereby the animal may appear friendly, is usually very weak from hunger, salivates, and may act as if drunk."
This represents the most danger to young children who may come across an animal and pick it up as they do their own house pets.
"This is the type to really worry about. A child doesn't have to be bitten by the animal. Even the saliva from its mouth can infect the person contacted if it gets into an open sore or cut. A child may not even be aware that it has contacted a rabid animal."
"Saliva from a rabid animal remains infected for up to several hours and can easily be contracted by simply coming into contact with it. An animal itself can pass rabies on for five days before it shows any sign of the disease."
A further danger with having contacted the disease is the symptoms take up to three weeks to appear and by this time it's too late. There's no hope once the virus hits.
"The virus travels to the brain via the nerves and eliminates life by encephalitis (inflammation of the brain) and respiratory paralysis."
If diagnosed in time, the affected person is subjected to a series of 14 vaccine shots which kill the virus but which also can be very discomfoting to the victim.
"I must emphasize," said Dr. Mollard, "that I'm not out to alarm anyone but only to make the public aware of the fact that the disease does exist and is in evidence in Richmond Hill."
"Children should be warned not to attempt to handle any animal they may come across which is acting in abnormal fashion."
The best preventative against the rabies dangers for owners of household pets is to get their animals vaccinated once a year.
"Domestic pets also have close contact with rabid animals on occasions and once infected can spread the disease to adults. All pets should be vaccinated. Dogs, cats, tame coons, skunks, horses, sheep, cattle."
Two weeks ago a one and a half year old German Shepherd owned by Paul Guillemins of 423 Palmer Avenue died of rabies.
Canine Control Officer James Ryan pointed out at the time that the incidence of rabies in wild life has reached epidemic proportions.
For the next two months pet dogs and cats will be subject to danger even in their own gardens but particularly if allowed to run at large. Last year a rabid skunk had to be shot on Essex Avenue.

Rambling Around

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being included among these powerful forces for good and evil, it should remember that like anything else in this world, it is being weighed in the balance and the scales are tipping too far to the negative.

NO AGE IS IDEAL
I don't think the age in which I grew up was ideal either. How could any age be?
In my generation, there were no teenagers, just children, young people and older people. When I was a child, I thought anyone five years older than me was quite advanced, and anyone older was practically ancient.
I think you could call this mysterious distance of time and experience between me and older people a "generation gap". But I accepted it in the spirit of the times.
The spirit of the times is different now. Since everything is instant, most people have the idea they can surmount any gap with some sort of instant package deal. They feel they can get along without the hard work of learning to understand. They expect their experience will have immediate meaning and their time will not be wasted on long term effort.
Many thousands of children have been born into a mass society which as become sort of a global village, and they know nothing else. How can they go back through time and really believe in and see for themselves the less/hurried existence of their parents' youth. How can you condemn parents whose youth never prepared them for such an impersonal, non-caring, mechanistic and manipulative society. They just have nothing in common. It's no wonder all are confused. Those who govern are just as confused and uncertain as those who are governed. It seems to be a sheer case of the blind leading the blind.



DR. JOHN MOLLARD
Issues Rabies Warning

I thought I was lucky that I had parents to put food in my mouth, give me a bed and a few dimes and nickles to see me through such emergencies as Sunday school picnics and country fairs. I didn't expect any more, living, as I did, in a rural society. I had no television or radio to tell me what I was missing. Since most children of my day were in the same boat, we accepted our parents' values. Probably most notable was their horror of debt, their disdain of easy credit and condemnation of irresponsible discharging of duties and obligations. Keeping their word was almost a point of honor.
One big gap between children and parents was that parents kept their worries to themselves and let the children have some childhood. Most parents had a hard time providing for families. Men and women aged before their time with long hours of hard work inside and outside the home. But we didn't know we were poor.
Other generation gaps were ones like the one between me and my twenty-year-old school teacher, fresh out of normal school. Another was between me and my aged, but kindly, Sunday school teacher. And still another was between me and the jovial country storekeeper. I wanted their good opinions and their goodwill. But there was always that mysterious distance of years that prevented it. They lived longer, so they must be wiser. Or so I thought.

Now, much of the past is in disrepute. But total rejection of the lessons of the past is unwise. It shouldn't take one long to figure out that a human being is more like a process, always moving, changing at one rate or another, and that he is in reality, his own past, present or future. If he rejects the past, he is rejecting one part of himself. Therefore he has no chance of becoming integrated.
After childhood, I became a young lady. I could go to high school and have a new set of authority figures, like high school principals and town fathers. I also meant I was grown up enough to help my parents in their struggle for survival. I played my part by doing my homework, household chores, and earning money. I also had it impressed on me that I musn't disgrace the family by unseemly acts.
By this time I was feeling two generation gaps. Since I was a young lady, those younger got my patronizing attention or lofty indifference. To those older, I was still paying tribute, because I needed their knowhow to guide me over rough places. I had a healthy fear of what might happen if I didn't do my best in school, at home, or in the community.

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It ought to be reassuring to know that generation gaps belong to everybody and are not the frightening bogeys they are made out to be. Adolescence in any age is painful, with mysterious gaps behind and before. One cannot go back and be a child again. The untried way ahead can seem uncertain and dangerous. But it was always so.
In my opinion, gaps can only be bridged by developing understanding. To develop understanding one must realize that it isn't some sort of crash course, but a long slow process. There's also a price. For those from all age groups who want to undergo it, the results could be gratifying. For those, who won't take the risk or pay the price, it might be comforting to know they can always hide behind the implications of generation gaps.