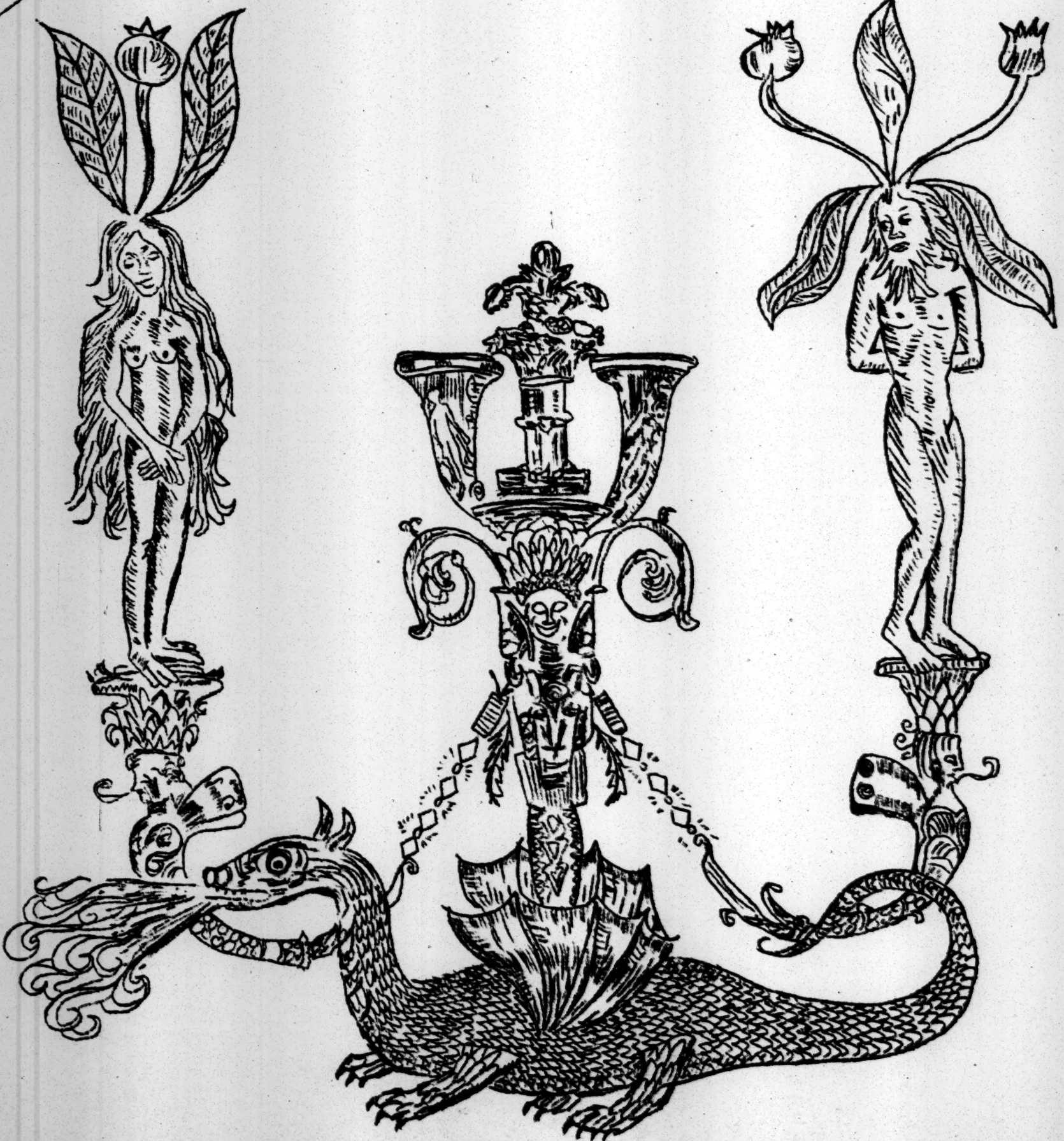


MIDDLE EARTH



WE (those, listed below) Commemorate, Acknowledge and Apologize the existence of, and offer this, as an irrefutable excuse for this issue:

Due to a lack of co-operation by the C.I.A. our plans to include a reprint of the entire U.S. Army Germ Warfare files has been temporarily shelved. Instead, as an extra treat, we obtained an original copy of the congressional record from Franklin D. Roosevelt's 3rd. term, but that bit the dust at the hand of ol' Doc Spock when he mistook it for a volume of draft board information when he misplaced his granny glasses.

Therefore, we are forced to drop our bombshell, unlease our secret weapon, and break the dam (so to speak). -- You have before you, in the guise of the MIDDLE EARTH REVISER, a tract with enough power to level the entire Island of Manhattan. Stapled together with special carbon-steel high intensity alloy brads, this volume would have to be destroyed in it's entirety (with the possible exception of page twenty which may be used to roll joints) were it not for it's inherent invulnerability. Read on.

We can derive comfort, however, in the knowledge that the ink used to print this issue will evaporate in 3800-4000 years, if you can overlook the fact that we were forced to include a chemical process which will hopefully cause the pages to self-destruct in 2 weeks as a gentle reminder to purchase the next installment of what has been described as a sequel to the biblical chapter of revelations.

Edward Whitehead, editor, ICONOCLAST, Chemist

Tim Zell, cephalous nexialist

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We moved "Uch"!
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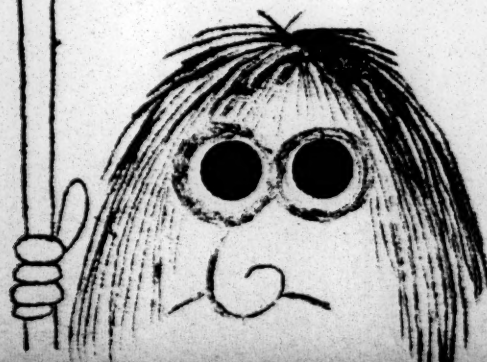
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this stupid typing Machine has been set with the following line as the margin on the left side and the preceding to lines as , the, indentation to be used as the paragraph margin; There is no margin limittation of the ~~XXXXXX~~ Right side because the stupid margin indicator won't not work and i havent the time or inclination to ~~FIX~~ hassle it. But I bet with a little more times and practice i could be as ~~as~~ a effecienta secreatry as One could wish too encounter. Now is the time for all good men ~~XXXXXX~~ Good mento come, To come to, To come to the aid of there country to. You know i tnik this typing will be fun to do for you / ~~but~~ but the d-door Is always giving me problems(because) it"s always being knocked On with great "force by all sorts of strange pe-oplewho wantto know :l, Whyis the front of the Peace(The purple) i.e. painted purple, , Whyis there a dummmmy dressed in a green tuxciddo(i'm not sure how to spell Tux _____) hanging out the 3th floor window; ~~wxx~~ #3 where you are, or have i seen whats his / or hers bod (I nevrer no any way) these keys ~~XXXX~~ always keep sticking. How do you expect me to ever, get typing done with all these interruptions besides I Think you love me for my bodyonly; anyw ay YOU prob--ley ~~XXXXXX~~ don't even no that I have a very smart mind to. (If-I want to)SO there.

I remain therefore truly yours; LINDA HOLLAND.

PRACTICE
BELLY BOTTON
WORSHIP

IGNORE THIS PAGE



On the local scene an assemblage of preliminary plans, prototype components, financing, suggestions, criticisms, and philosophical paradoxes, and test pilots, are being gathered for the worlds first and only operative time-machine. Read on. Our heroic test pilot-that man of unparalleled daring and absurdity is none other than your friend and Tony Jackaniz and two dedicated assistants of equal daring tentatively will blast off sometime at the latter part of this year. Read on. The assurance of the operativeness of the time machine is based on the principle of subjecttiveness, asopposed to an oboectively operational machine; that is, Tony's mind and body will separate-he will only think he is visiting the future and the past. Mr. Jackaniz was chosen for our chief test pilot with considerable contemplation and was finally selected on the basis that his mind has already begun to split. As our hero is orbiting the eons of time, present time based observers may view his bod apparently unchanged and not exhibiting any apparent form of locomotion. This observation should not be interpereted phenomenologically with respect to the position of Tony's mind; you would, objectively, only be observing the material body less it's consciousness. For illustration, a parallel could hypothetically be made to an objective time machine, one that "really" works. In this situation our time voyager would interpret what is seen by his eyes with his brain. The consciousness of the observer is the most basic intergral part of the machine, in fact, probably, the only part of any time machine that cannot theoretically be omitted from any possible design for a time machine. In the machine being readied for Tony, his alleged consciousness is the nucleus around which the remaining components are being designed. In conclusion, if Tony thinks he is there, that's good enough for me-But mainly, it's good enough for Tony and his compatriots of daring. Mr. Jackaniz might well be the first not to drop out-but, to drop behind and ahead. Read on. Anyone having suggestions or interested in voluntering as co-pilots in this venture, or if you are in a postion to give any finanancial backing, please do so through this newspaper.

The Middle Earth Revisers' exclusive coverage of this remarkable venture will keep you informed of the bi-weekly by bi-weekly happenings.



BELLADONNA

GIVE GLASS OF MILK OR UNIVERSAL ANTIDOTE
INDUCE VOMITING
GIVE ARTIFICIAL RESPIRATION
KEEP PATIENT QUIET

BARBITURATES
CODEINE
MORPHINE
OPIUM
PAREGORIC

GIVE GLASS OF MILK OR UNIVERSAL ANTIDOTE
GIVE 2 TABLESPOONS EPSOM SALT IN
2 GLASSES OF WARM WATER
(KEEP PATIENT AWAKE)

ALCOHOL
ROMALAR
CONTAC
ASPIRIN

GIVE GLASS OF MILK
INDUCE VOMITING
GIVE TABLESPOON OF SODIUM BICARB. IN
QUART OF WARM WATER

SPEED

GIVE TWO GLASSES OF WARM MILK
INDUCE VOMITING
KEEP PATIENT CALM AND AWAKE

THORAZINE

SAME AS FOR BARBITURATES
THEN GIVE LARGE QUANTITIES OF HOT
COFFEE OR STRONG TEA (INSTANT OR REG.)
KEEP PATIENT AWAKE

LSD

DO NOT GIVE THORAZINE
KEEP PATIENT CALM AND REASSURED
DO NOT GIVE THORAZINE

DMT

GIVE LARGE QUANTITIES OF FLUIDS
INDUCE VOMITING
KEEP PATIENT CALM
DO NOT GIVE ANY OTHER MEDICATION

GRASS

SOFT MUSIC AND A WARM PLACE TO CRASH

DO NOT FORCE LIQUIDS IF PATIENT IS UNCONSCIOUS
DO NOT INDUCE VOMITING IF PATIENT IS HAVING CONVULSIONS
VOMITING CAN BE INDUCED WITH TEASPOON OF MUSTARD IN HALF
GLASS OF WATER OR 4 TEASPOONS OF SALT IN WARM WATER.
UNIVERSAL ANTIDOTE CAN BE OBTAINED FROM DRUGSTORE.

THOUGHT
FOR
TODAY



YOU
CAN'T
MAKE
H-BOMBS
OUT OF
GRASS

MUSIC IS YOUR FRIEND

By J. Woogie

With the new breeds of music being born today, the young critics wonder what new trend of music will be next.

According to popularity, and my feelings, the deep down dirty blues are next in line.

The blues have been reborn by such groups as; Canned Heat, John Mayall, Paul Butterfield and The Segel-Schwall Blues Band, to name a few. Some of the original blues-makers span from lightnin' Hopkins, Howling Wolf, to Muddy Waters and Robert Johnson.

The blues have jumped in and out of the spotlight throughout the past years, with little or no notice from the younger set. Now that the psychedelic influenced music has had a chance to be digested, the blues have a new public experience.

The electric instruments of today have helped emphasize the true feeling of the plantation born, music to a new level.

I have noticed that soul or soul rock has slipped into the picture as being a close brother of the blues. But it is my belief that a class of Country music will over-ride soul and the blues as a future trend.

P.S. DON'T
FORGET
TO
BOOGIE

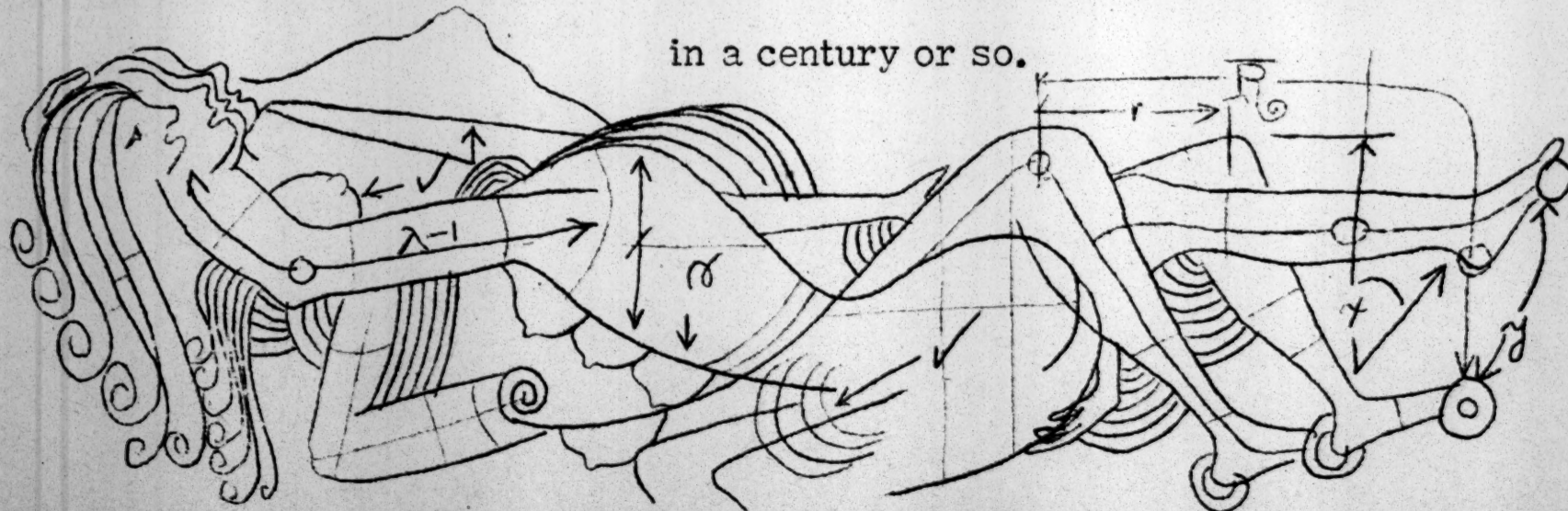
Man is not yet created

In this life and world
it is said time is
waiting for the creation
of a man and women that
are not possessed with
two faults of ordinary
human beings:

Greed and Hate.

At the creation of these
two people it is said
that God will destroy the
entire earth and begin a
new world with these two
people - and it will be
free of Greed and Hate.

Wouldn't it be a gas if
they were sterile?



Man is not yet created

We are now only in the stew of the making.
If you go into the kitchen where the cooks
are getting ready for a great feast, you
will find yourself in the midst of confusion
and litter; out of this shall come a splendid
banquet, with browned fowl, offset by gleam-
ing silver, all order and courtesy, fringed
with laughter. And if you have known the
statesman only when he was age fifteen
you will find it hard to believe his poise
and power.

A pledge to you - WAIT

It will take us a thousand years perhaps to
breed the perfect man. Our cities are all
temporary; wait till we tear them down and
rebuild. Our science is just learning to walk.
Our religion still learning to talk.

Don't hurry us. We move slow. Come back
in a century or so.

[TO SMOKE OR NOT TO SMOKE, THAT IS THE QUESTION.

Since the dawn of the Marijuana Tax Act of 1936, people have puzzled this in and out of court from the pulpit to the jail cell. The pro's and con's of the issue have become public only recently and only recently has open and widespread disregard of the statues governing the use of the weed become popular.

Is there a lesson to be learned from the correlation that may be drawn between available information on the drug and it's rise in stature among the literate public, notably young college students and professionals?

While we cannot profess to be unbiased in our views (no more, that is, than we can profess to be blind, moronic idiots) we can pretend to a degree of impartiality in our reporting to that end, we present the latest compendium of findings on the drug CANNABIS SATIVA, reprinted from the London Times, with editorial insertions and alterations to please the literary diletante.]

London, TIMES:

The use of cannabis is increasing, and the rate of increase is accelerating. Cannabis smoking is widespread in the universities, and the custom has been taken up by writers, teachers, doctors, businessmen, musicians, scientists, and priests. Such persons do not the sterotype of the unemployed criminal dope fiend. Smoking the herb also forms a traditional part of the social and religious life of hundreds of thousands of people.

It has been suggested that cannabis be given the same status as alcohol by legalizing it's import and consumption. . . Besides the undoubted attraction of reducing, for ounce, the number of crimes that a member of our society can commit, and of allowing the wider spread of something that can give pleasure, a greater revenue would certainly come to the state from taxation than from fines.

The main justification for the prohibition of cannabis has been the contention that it's use leads to heroin addiction. This contention does not seem to be supported by any documented evidence, and has been specifically refuted by several authoritative studies. It is almost certainly correct to state that the risk to cannabis smokers of becoming heroin addicts is far less than the risk to drinkers of becoming alcoholics.

Cannabis is usually taken by normal persons for the purpose of enhancing sensory experience. Heroin is taken almost exclusively by weak and disturbed individuals for the purpose of withdrawing from reality.

Legislation prohibiting cannabis has created a black market where heroin could occasionally be offered to persons who would not otherwise have access to it. Potential addicts, having found cannabis to be a poor escape route, have doubtless been tempted to try heroin; and it is probable that their experience of the harmlessness and non-addictive quality of cannabis has led them to underestimate the dangers of heroin. It is the prohibition of cannabis, and not cannabis itself, which may contribute to heroin addiction.

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SPEED HAS NOT INCRESSED
THE DEATH RATE
IT'S STILL ONE TO A PERSON

If you were one
And I were two;
Then we'd be three
Before befour...

I'LL NEVER FORGET
WHAT'S HIS BOD

Ma bonny Lice Soda Devotion

May Booney Life Saver D.C.

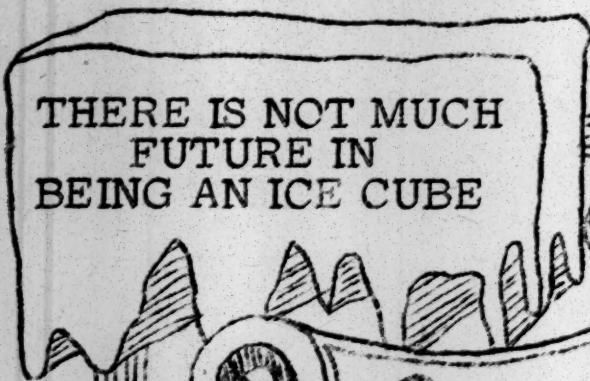
McBoniface Rover Commotion

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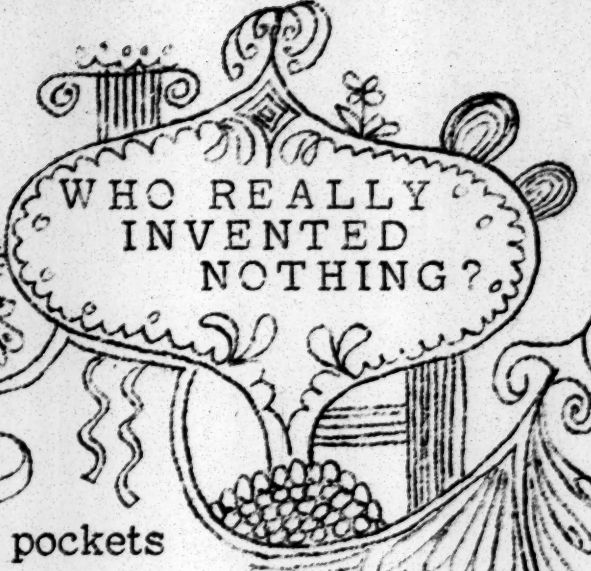
LIFE IS JUST A BOWL OF NAVEL LINT

ATOM BOMBS DISINFECT

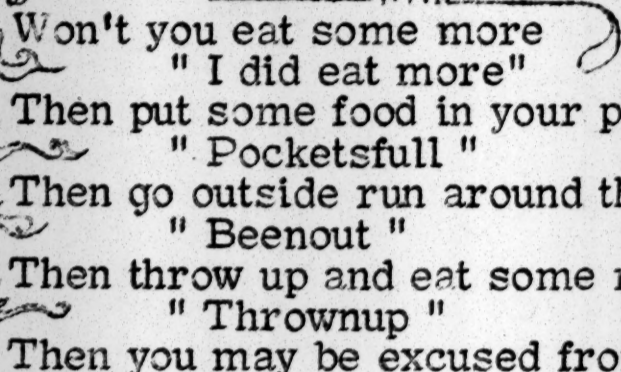
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THERE IS NOT MUCH
FUTURE IN
BEING AN ICE CUBE



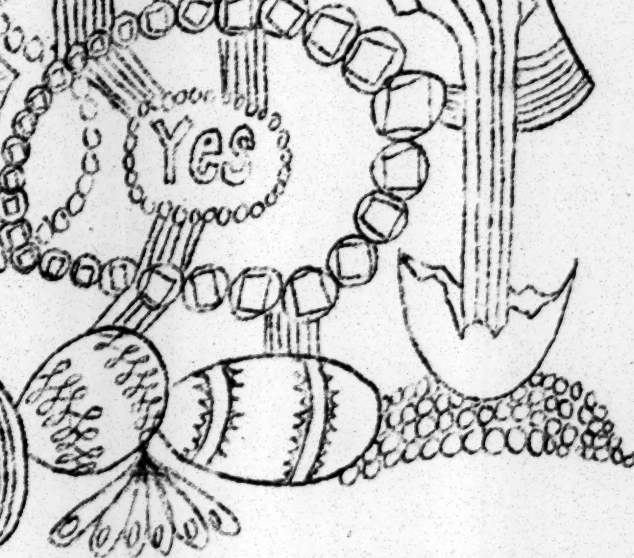
WHO REALLY
INVENTED
NOTHING?



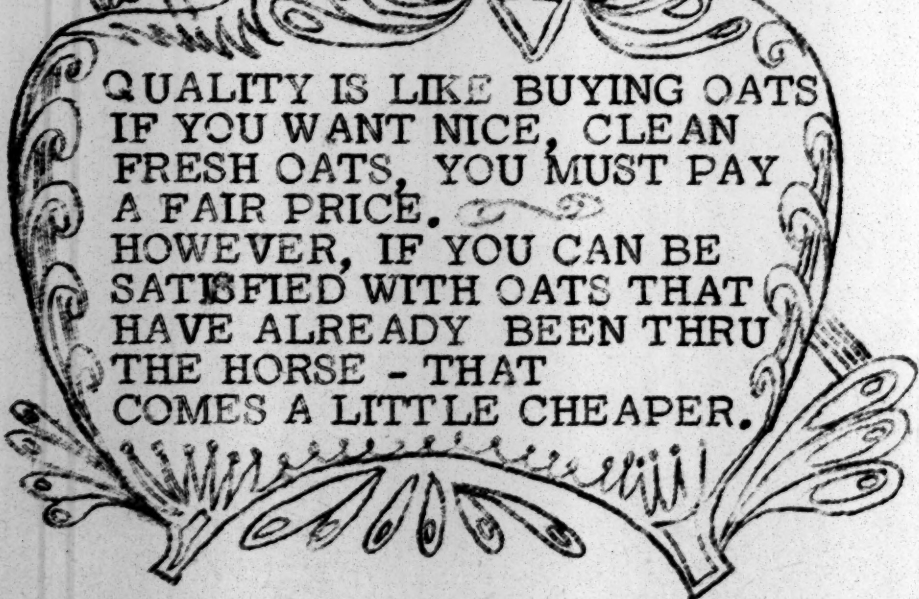
Won't you eat some more
" I did eat more "
Then put some food in your pockets
" Pocketsfull "
Then go outside run around then eat some more
" Beenout "
Then throw up and eat some more
" Thrownup "
Then you may be excused from the table



TELEPHONE POLES
ARE
PHALLIC SYMBOLS



Yes



QUALITY IS LIKE BUYING OATS
IF YOU WANT NICE, CLEAN
FRESH OATS, YOU MUST PAY
A FAIR PRICE.
HOWEVER, IF YOU CAN BE
SATISFIED WITH OATS THAT
HAVE ALREADY BEEN THRU
THE HORSE - THAT
COMES A LITTLE CHEAPER.

DO NOT
CARRY ALL
YOUR MEAT
ON ONE
SKEWER



VISTA

VISTA- Volunteers In Service To America is a national corps of volunteers concerned with the eradication of poverty within the United States. As one of the major programs established by the Economic Opportunity Act of 1964, VISTA offers an opportunity for men and women to participate directly in the nation's War on Poverty.

VISTA Volunteers serve where they are needed and requested. They are assigned to projects in cities, small towns, and rural areas; to institutions and agencies concerned with the mentally handicapped, to migrant workers camps, Indian reservations; and to the Job Corps Centers. They may serve in one of 49 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico or the Virgin Islands.

Some Volunteers come to VISTA as young men and women; others are in there sixties or older. Some still have their careers before them; others come from the ranks of the retired. There are married couples in VISTA. There are Volunteers from industry and labor, farms, small towns and big cities, the professions, the military, the office, the classroom, the head-shop, and the home.

Some Volunteer assignments require previous training in a special skill or as a professional. the main need is for people who can communicate and work well with others. A Volunteer must have the desire to serve, the willingness to learn, the patience to teach, the courage to act and the insight that provides the poverty-stricken with the commodity of hope.

The cure for "Materialism" is to have enough for everybody and to spare. When people are sure of having what they need they cease to think about it.

The basic requirement to join VISTA is a U.S. citizenship or to be of permanent residence in the U.S.

There are no tests or examinations required. You are evaluated on the basis of your application which details your background, experience, skill, interest and education.

VISTA Volunteers serve for one year after completion of a training course lasting approximately six weeks. You may reenroll for another year if you wish.

You have a choice about the location and the type of work you do. The VISTA questionnaire provides ample opportunity for listing your geographical and work assignment preferences. VISTA attempts to honor these preferences as far as practicable, but VISTA's concern also is to match your experience abilities, as demonstrated and developed during training, to a specific project.

As a VISTA Volunteer you will receive a basic living allowance that will be enough to get by on in the area to which you are assigned. This will cover housing, food, clothing, and transportation. In addition, VISTA will provide you twice a month, with a minimal allowance totaling approximately \$75 a month for such personal incidentals as laundry and recreation. Finally, for every month of your service, VISTA will set aside \$50 for you. You will receive the total upon completion of your service. A Volunteer completing one tour of duty-six weeks of training and a year of service-would accumulate \$675.

Immediately after VISTA receives your application, you will be sent a detailed questionnaire which asks for background information and the names and addresses of at least eight references. You can obtain an application by writing to VISTA, Washington, D.C. 20506.

When VISTA receives your completed application with the names of your references, the persons listed will be contacted by mail and asked about your qualifications. At the same time, you will be notified that your references are being contacted. Approximately two months prior to the date you have indicated you will be available, your application will be evaluated and you will be notified as to whether you qualify for VISTA. Those selected are then invited to a training program to begin soon after the date stated in the application.

If you submit an application to VISTA you are not obligated to join- but your application should be submitted with the understanding that you are sincerely interested in joining VISTA. If you are interested in VISTA but unable to join immediately, you may state on your application when, within one year, you will be available. You are free to withdraw your application at any time without adverse effect on any future reapplication.

General Louis Hershey, Director of the Selective Service System, has determined that VISTA service is in the national interest. On the basis of this Volunteers generally are deferred.

If you are married you may join VISTA. Married couples must complete individual applications and submit them jointly. If you are accepted as a couple, you will be trained and serve together.

You should be in good health, but if physical handicap will not disqualify you if it will not interfere with the performance of your duties. You must have a medical examination before you enter training. There are physically handicapped Volunteers in VISTA now.

I KNOW .

I KNOW ABOUT THE RAIN,
THE SNOW, THE INVISIBLE
FORCE CALLED WIND, THE
SHAPE OF EGGS, THE FALLACY
OF MY KIND, THE DEGREE
OF MERCY, OF THINGS
WOVEN, OF THINGS SHAPED,
OF THINGS LET ALONE, THE
NEED OF THOUGHT, THE
INSTRUMENTS OF PEACE,
OF KEEPING TIME, OF STIMULUS
AND RESPONSE, THE PROBABILITY
OF EXISTENCE, THE HOPE OF
THE DISCOURAGED, OF MITES
AND BITS AND SCRAP, OF
CHRISTIANS AND LICNS, OF
ANTS AND AUDVOKS, OF THINGS
FORGOTTEN AND THINGS
REVISITED, THE TASTE OF
THINGS SWEET, THE FEEL
OF THINGS SOFT, THE WEIGHT
OF BURDENS, THE HEIGHT
OF OPTIMISM, THE NARROWNESS
OF MIND, THE RHYTM OF
PENDULUMS, THE WISDOM
OF YOUTH, OF FULFILLMENT
AND VOID, OF SPACE AND
NOTHINGNESS THE NEED OF
TRUTH, THE ATTEMPT OF
PROFF, OF UNITS OF
DIVISION, OF FISH HOOKS
AND GRAB-BAGS, OF RORSCHACHS
AND HIEROGLYPHICS, THE
METABOLISM OF PEACOCKS,
OF TEARS FALLEN AND TEARS
CONTAINED, THE PRICE OF
BREAD, THE HEMLINE OF
TOMORROW, OF THINGS FRUIT,
AND OF KNOWLEDGE ITSELF.

I KNOW .

Ego

HE WHO IS WRAPPED UP IN
HIMSELF MAKES A MIGHTY
SMALL PACKAGE.

Id





PAINTED UNIVERSE

I WILL PAINT THE UNIVERSE WITH THE COLORS MY MIND.
THE THOUGHTS OF A WORLD ARE MY BRUSHES.
THEY ARE PAINTING ON THE CANVASS OF EXISTENCE.
THEY ARE OUTLINING THE EDGES OF ETERNITY
THE ETERNITIES IS THE WORLD OF EVRYTHING
MEANING NOTHING.
IT IS AN INFINITE THOUGHT OF AN ABSTRACT THING.
SUN GLASSES OF BEAUTY STOP THE GLARE OF THE BRILLIANT
COLORS OF THE PAINTED UNIVERSE.
I SIT AND WATCH THE DRIPPING PAINT STAIN THE STARS
THROUGH THERE SATIN LIGHT.
THE COLORED THOUGHTS OF THE UNIVERSE STAIN THE
STREETS OF MY MIND.
THE MULTI COLORED WORLDS OF ARCTURUS PUSH THROUGH
TIME; THEY, A COLONY OF MINDS, WHICH ARE UNITED IN BOTH
EXISTENCE AND KNOWLEDGE AS ONE MIND.
THESE THINGS WHICH LIE IN THE SOMEWHERE ARE INTER-
LOCKING WITH MY MIND AS ONE.
TO CURL THE TOES OF YOUR MIND AROUND A UNIVERSE
OF THOUGHT.
TO FEEL THE TOUCH OF A MIND FROM ANOTHER UNIVERSE,
FROM ANOTHER DIMENSION.
TO LIE IN A SOFT BED MADE FROM THE PLATINUM FUN OF LOVE.
TO DOMINATE THE DOMINATED.
TO BE THE MAJORITY OF THE MINORITY.
TO FEEL THE HEAT OF THE COLD AIR OF POVERTY IN RICHNESS.
WHERE THE STRONG ARE THE WEAK AND THE WEAK ARE THE
STRONG AND KNOWLEDGE IS YOUR BENEFACOR.
A UNIVERSE WHERE YOU BEND YOUR MIND NOT YOUR BACK.
A PLACE WHERE ILLOGICAL THEORY IS COMMON AND LOGICAL
THEORY IS UNCOMMON.
THERE YOU CAN TASTE THE RIPPENED GRAIN OF A SINGLE
THOUGHT AND FEEL THE EXPERIENCE OF A MILLION
AND ONE MINDS.
YOU CAN SIT ON THE BRIDGE OF IDEAS ACROSS THE VOID OF
NOTHING.
THE GAME OF GAMES IS PLAYED ON THE UNIVERSAL TABLE.



CROSSWORD

D O W N

1. Circle of animals
2. Where Gracy Slick goes when it rains.
3. Abbrv. for "get"
4. Roman 2000
5. Abbrv. for Acidheads Anonymous
6. Same as 7 across
7. (colloq) person (male) who offers a lady a joint
8. one half of 22 across
10. Place where birds crash
11. cigarette
12. Technetium
18. Canal or lake
23. Devises which enable you to walk through solid walls
24. Sometimes found in hat boxes
25. _____ yourself
27. Same as 22 across
34. A kid with a club
35. anno regni
42. Two balls separated by a long tube
43. Birdmans old lady
44. Where heads go to urinate aboard ship
45. One half of a nipple
46. Aluminum
51. The razors edge
59. Zinc

A C R O S S

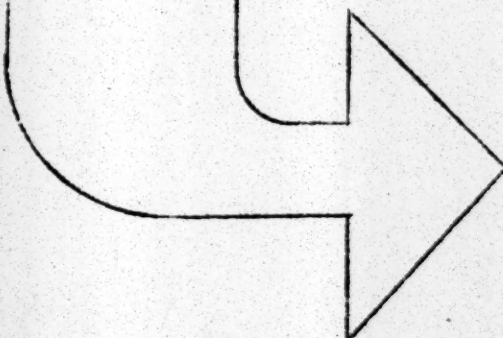
1. Something good for your joints
8. The effect created by Gabriels blowing
13. a number divided by itself
16. Abbrv. for Abbrv.
7. Type of string
22. Two thirds of the abbrv of DDT
24. The 19th. letter of the althabet counting backwards
25. The main piece of furniture in the ball room
28. How a greaser pronounces orgy
30. Ninth letter of the Greek alphabet
32. That which is proceded by a begining and followed by nothing
33. Same as thirty above
36. That do-ma-jiggi coming out of the heart
37. Boiled grass
38. Pan's first name
41. That which kills
43. Bum smoke
47. What Uncle Sam wants
48. The quality or state of being icy
49. Van Winkle's first name
50. Abbre. Baby Slobbor
52. Same as 27 down
53. The leading export of Potsville
54. Abbrv. for urine
55. That is
56. Another abbrv. for urine
57. Sun God of Egypt
58. This ones easy
60. Roman 450
61. Abbrv. Registered Nark

PUZZLE

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The shaded area the crossword puzzle is from the symbol of the ANKH. In this ansate cross can be seen a human being, the eye of the loop being the head, or the vaginal orifice penetrated by a line representing the phallus; also it represents the dam which held back the waters of the river Nile (the maternal River.) Ankh is pronounced Ank. Ankh is also the Crux-Ansata (cross with handle.) Ankh was a common Egyptian word (root An-"to breathe"). With Hindus Ankh is the sacred mark of either sex.

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AU COURANT Directory

The following propaganda describes the next quarterly edition of the AU COURANTS' DIRECTORY, a small book listing the names, addresses and interests of our members in the U.S.A. and around the world. READ ON.

The next edition of the Au Courant Directory is due in June. If you send us a 50-word description of yourself, we'll include it in the book and send one copy of the Directory to all those listed in this edition -- and to no one else. The total cost to you would be a \$1 donation, to help defray the costs of printing and mailing the Directory.

Au Courants' Directory is not a medium for publicity. It is a non-profit, privately-printed register of liberal, intellectual, articulate individuals who enjoy meeting each other, and would probably enjoy meeting you. The Directory lists all sorts of creative people: peace workers, political activists, psychedelic artists, underground writers, students, experimental musicians, second class philanthropists and an assemblage of other unclassifiable misfits.

If you should want to be associated with such company, you're invited to be listed in the forthcoming edition. Just fill out the listing form and mail it back to me by June 10th.

If I hear from you before the deadline, you'll receive your copy of the new Au Courant Directory in June, with the names and addresses of hundreds of fellow humans of similar persuasion.

Peace,

Edward J Whitehead
Edward Whitehead, editor

DIRECTIONS:
CUT ON DOTTED LINES
FILL WITH GOODIES
ROLL
LIGHT
BREATH IN

HOLD IT

HOLD IT

HOLD IT

KEEP HOLDING IT

NOW EXHALE

REPEATE OFTEN
AS NECESSARY

As explained, the deadline for submitting this form is June 10th. Please type or print clearly, and mail completed form to: Au Courant Directory, 4279 Gaslight Square, Saint Louis, Missouri, 63108, U.S.A.

Last Name	First Name	Nickname (if any)	Age
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M.E.R. *I BELIEVE IT!*

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PROUD PARENT (partial view)



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UCH!

FULL SIZE (TO SCALE) OF MENS EYE TODAY



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SEE OUR HERO DISGUISE HIMSELF AS TWIGGY



SEE OUR HERO SHARE AN AJOINING BATH WITH HIMSELF

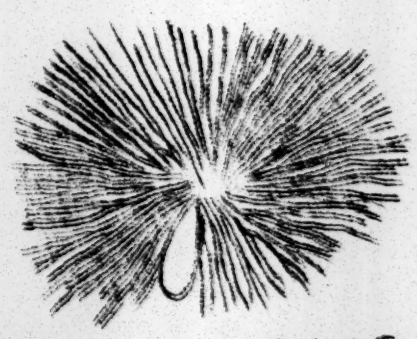


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SEE OUR HERO DISGUISE HIMSELF AS A THING OF DISGUISEDLY HORROR



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BIRDS EYE VIEW OF HOW OUR SUPER HERO LOOKS TO A LOW FLYING ENEMY BLIMP.

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SEE OUR HERO GO STRAIGHT!



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You will be trained to effectively perform one or more services: community development, consumer and tenant organization, tutoring, recreation, job referral, legal and health services, and a number of other tasks. In-service training is offered Volunteers by periodic seminars and workshops conducted during their year of service.

Training, supervised by VISTA, is conducted by universities, colleges, and by settlement houses and other social service agencies familiar with the problems of the poor. Professors, specialists and advisors provide trainees with an understanding of poverty and how to attack the conditions that create it.

Most training programs are conducted by VISTA's seven regional training centers. Additional training centers regularly conduct training programs for groups of 30 to 50 Volunteers.

Any neighborhood, community, city, county or state organization, institution or agency, public or private and non-profit, that is attempting to assist people who are poor, may request the services of VISTA Volunteers.

The project director of the organization requesting Volunteers directs their activities or he designates VISTA Supervisors to perform this function. The degree of supervision depends on the kind of project. In an urban situation, supervision may be closer and more personal. In a rural area, a Volunteer may find that he works with very little supervision. In all situations, the Volunteer is jointly responsible to VISTA and to his local project sponsor.

If selected you will be an employee of VISTA, but you will not be formally employed by the Federal Government as a civil servant. You will be eligible, however, for many benefits.

You will live and work among those you serve. The project director or sponsor will arrange for housing or assist you in locating permanent housing. Very few Volunteers are assigned singly. VISTA prefers to assign Volunteers in teams. Where teams are not needed, at least two Volunteers are assigned to a given community.

As a VISTA Volunteer you will have a full time commitment to the people you serve. It is not a 9-5, five-day-a-week job. You will be asked to offer assistance whenever you are needed.

VISTA provides Blue Cross-Blue Shield medical coverage during your term of service, including the training period. Travel cost, from home to training, to place of service, emergency leave travel, and from place of service, to your home at the end of service, are paid by VISTA.

You may take seven days of leave during your year of service. While on leave, you receive an allowance of \$10 a day. Your monthly stipend and necessary living allowances, such as rent, are continued.

The men and women of VISTA are Volunteers. You may resign, but you should remember that you have made a commitment to serve for a complete year. VISTA expects you to honor this commitment. You may request a

transfer or be transferred to another assignment for a reasonable cause. You may request, that any time after you join VISTA, to serve beyond one year or more. You may also extend your service for periods less than one year.

You can earn college credits for your work in VISTA. Several colleges have work-study programs in which they give college credits for VISTA work.

At the completion of your service you should find yourself better equipped both in experience and personal growth to pursue either further education or the career of your choice. VISTA's Volunteer information Service provides career and educational information to assist in future employment. It is possible for you to serve as a VISTA staff member after you complete your Volunteer service, if there is a job available for which you qualify.

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RUNAWAYS: A girl of 17 is beyond the jurisdiction of the Juvenile Courts unless she has previously appeared before them- in which case they have jurisdiction until she is 21.

She may be sent to a mental institution by her father for a period of five days, at which time he must have a psychiatrist testify before the court that she is mentally ill. She is allowed to have her own witnesses to the contrary.

If you are 17 and choose to leave home "after living alone..." it would be to your betterment to obtain absolute proof of age - specifically a birth certificate. This can be obtained for \$1.00 from the Bureau of Vital Statistics and should be carried on your person at all times. In the event of the police picking you up, you have only to show this proof of age to be released.

You cannot be arrested for leaving home. There is no crime on the books called "Running Away".

LET A LEMON SEED REPRESENT THE EARTH, Then the moon might be represented by a grain of salt placed about an inch from the lemon seed. The sun, to be shown to scale, would be represented by putting an orange across the street. The nearest star, Alpha Centauri, would be located in the middle of China. The next closest star could not be placed on the earth at all. If you were out among the stars, you could not find the earth by looking for it. It's just too insignificant.

Behold, alas-our days we spend: How vain they be, how soon they end.

BEHOLD
How short a span
Was long enough of old
To measure out the life of man;
In those well-tempered days his time was then
Surveyed, cast up, and found but threescore years and ten.

ALAS
What is all that?
They come and slide pass
Before my tongue can tell thee what.
The posts of time are swift, which having run
Their seven short stages o'er, their short-lived task is done.

OUR DAYS
Begun, we bend
To sleep, to antic plays
And toys, until the first stage end;
12 waning moons, twice 5 told, we give
To recovered loss: we rather breathe than live.

WE SPEND
A ten year's breath
Before we apprehend
What tis to live in fear of death;
Our childish dreams are filled with painted joys
Which please our sense, and waking prove but toys.

HOW VAIN,
How wretched is
Poor man, that doth remain
A slave to such state as this.
His days are short at longest; few at most;
They are but bad at best, yet lavished out, or lost.

THEY BE
The secret springs
That make our minutes flee
On wings more swift than eagles' wings
Our life's a clock, and every gasp of breath
Breathes forth a warning grief, till time shall strike a death.

HOW SOON
Our new-born light
Attains to full-aged noon.
And this, how soon to gray-haired night;
We spring, we bud, we blossom, and we blast,
Ere we can count our days, our days they flee so fast.

THEY END
When scarce begun,
And ere we apprehend
That we begin to live, our life is done.
Man, count thy days; and if they fly too fast
For thy dull thoughts to count, count every day the last.

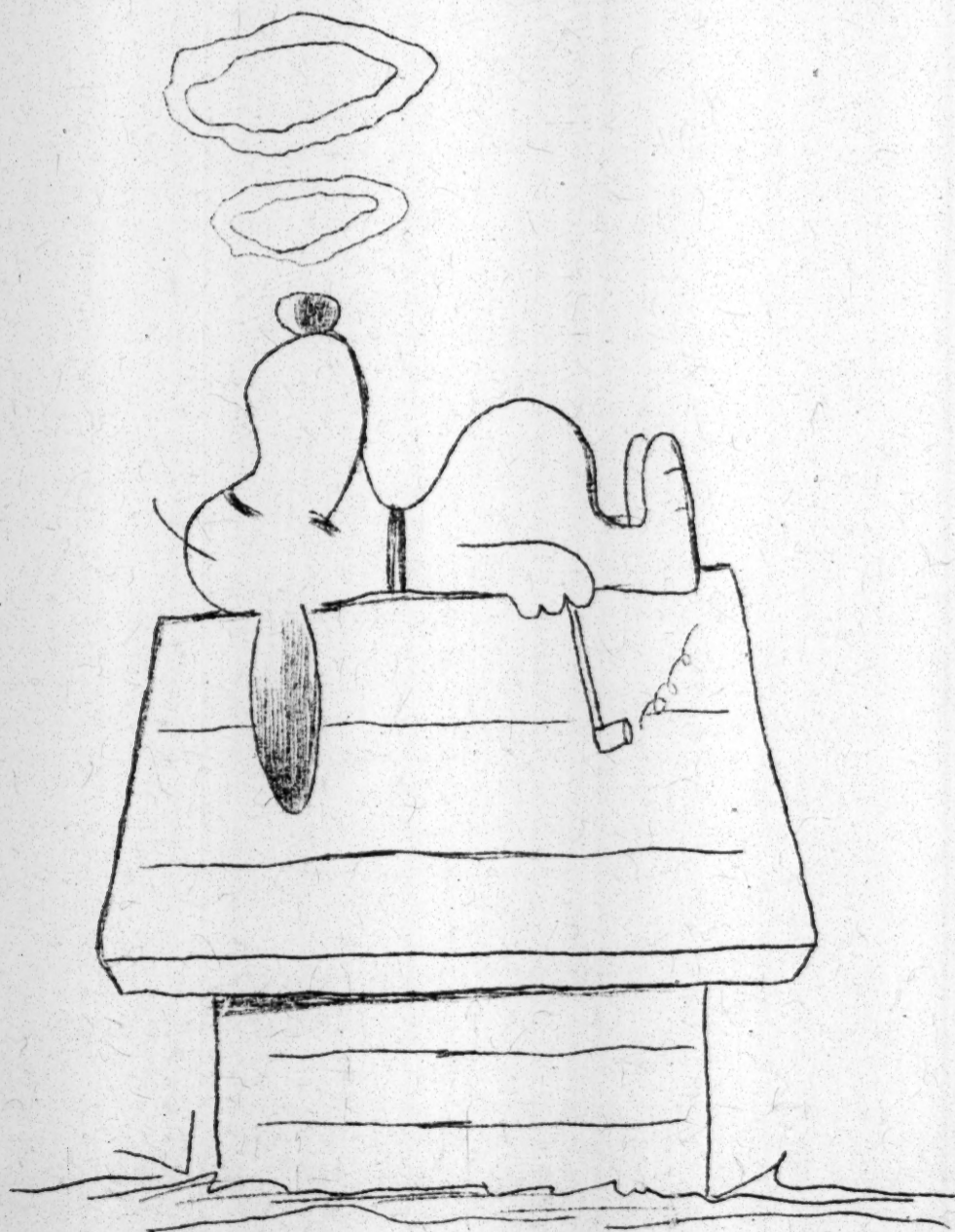
C. B.

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The present system of controls has strongly discouraged the use of cannabis preparations in medicine. It is arguable that claims which were formerly made for the effectiveness of cannabis in psychiatric treatment might now bear re-examination in the light of modern views on drug therapy; and a case could also be made out for further investigation of the antibiotic properties of cannabidiolic acid, one of the constituents of the herb. The possibility of alleviating suffering through the medical use of cannabis preparations should not be dismissed because of prejudice concerning the social effects of "drugs".

The Government ought to welcome and encourage research into all aspects of cannabis smoking, but according to the law as it stands no one is permitted to smoke cannabis under any circumstances, and exceptions cannot be made for scientific and medical research. It is a scandal that doctors who are entitled to prescribe heroin, cocaine, amphetamines and barbiturates risk being sent to prison for personally investigating a drug which is known to be less damaging than alcohol or even tobacco.

Similar legislation in the 'twenties brought the sale of both alcohol and heroin under the control of an immensely powerful criminal conspiracy which still thrives today. We must not lose sight of that parallel.



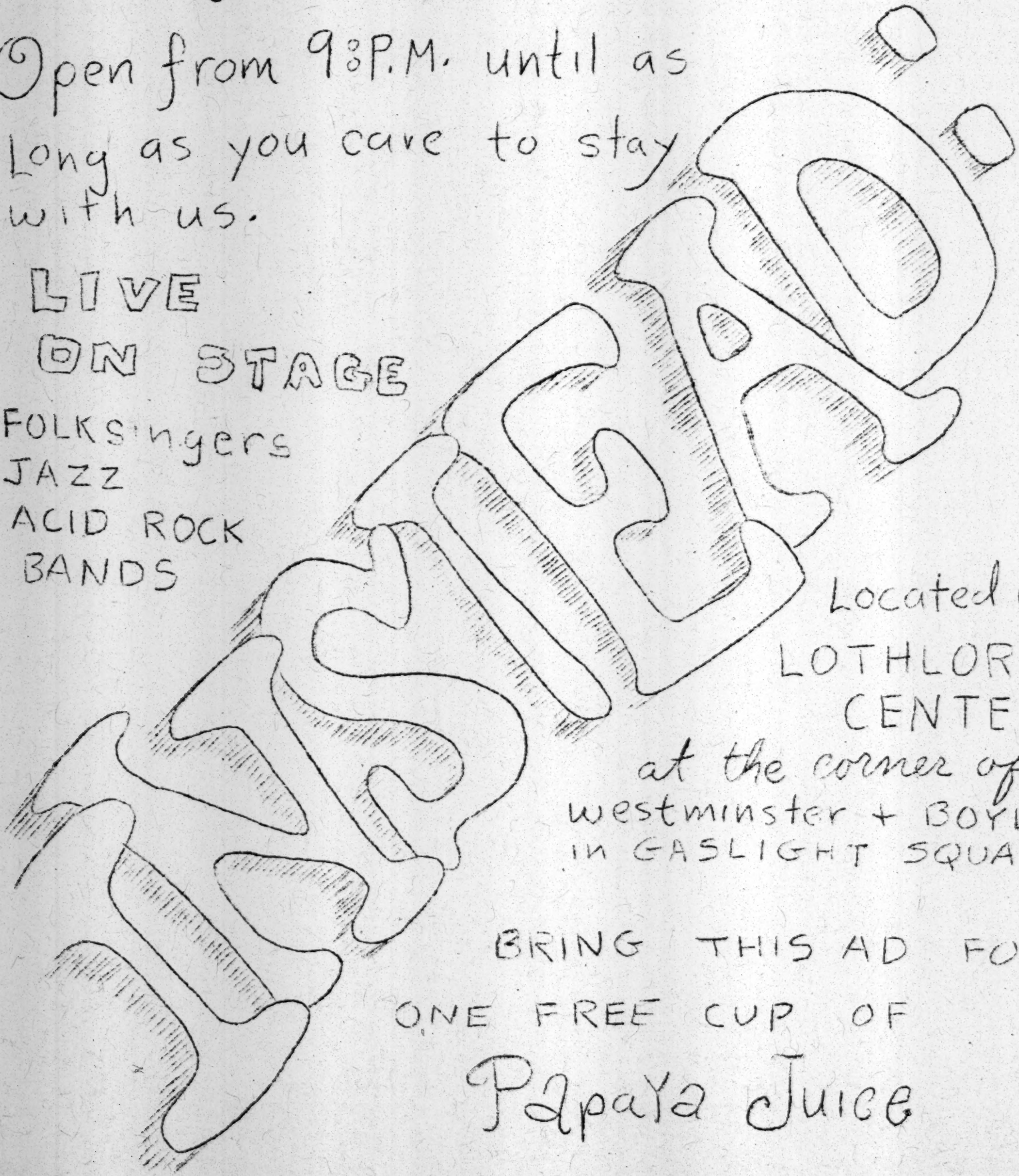
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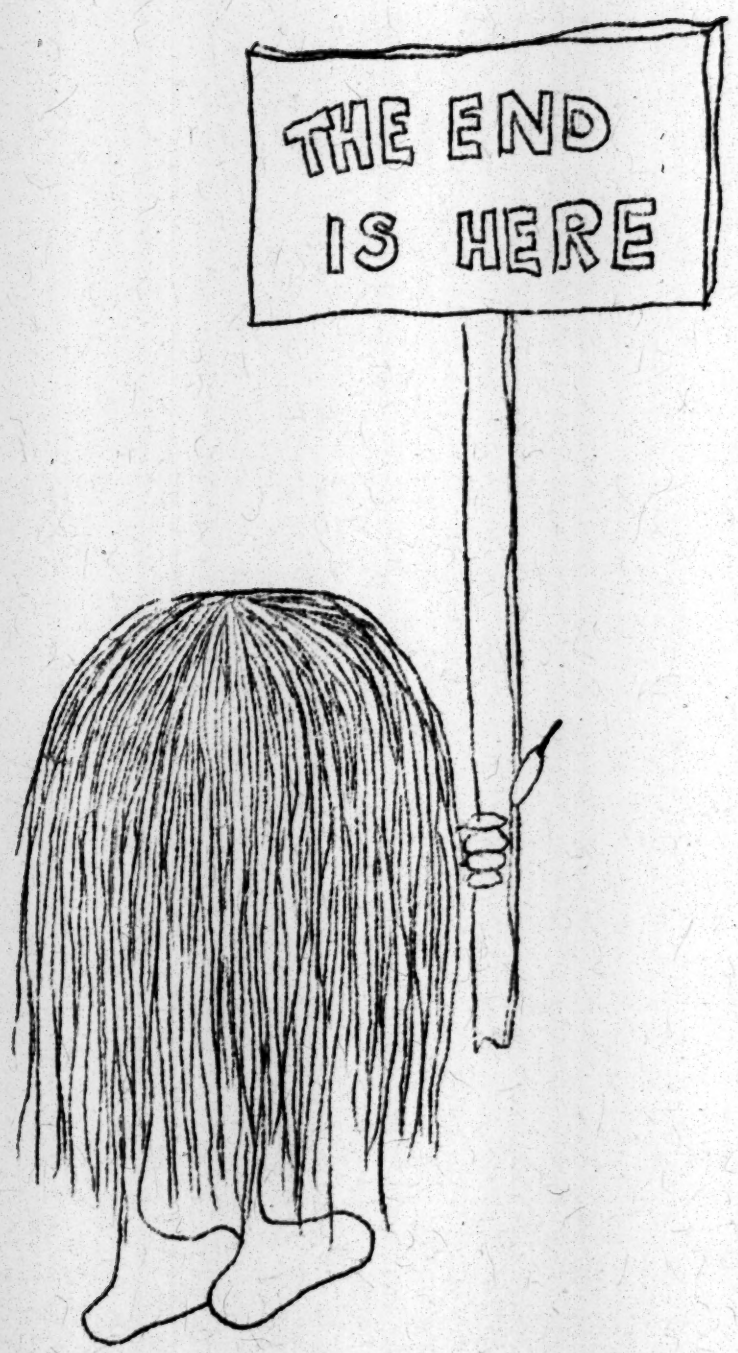
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