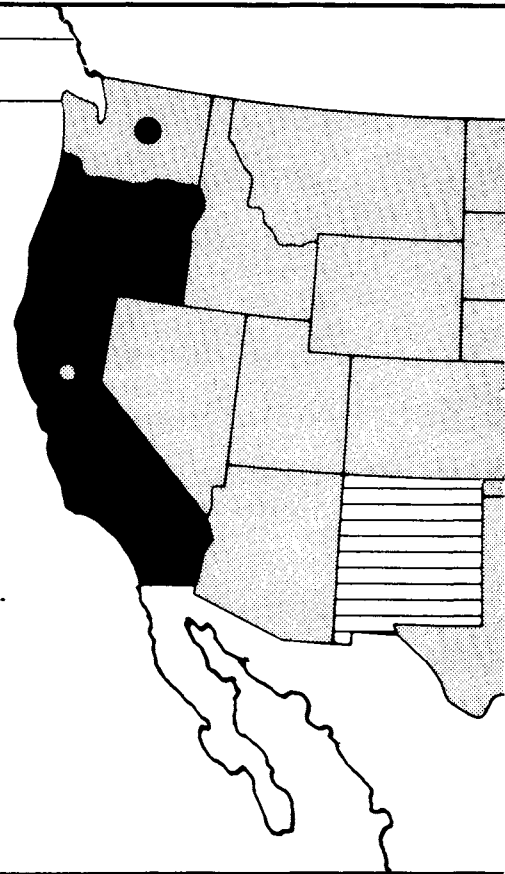


SPECIAL REPORT

Legalized dope?



On Dec. 1 the National Organization for the Reform of Marijuana Laws, the nation's top drug lobby outfit, announced that its official line on marijuana has been changed. After years of calling for "decriminalization," NORML is now demanding full legalization of the drug.

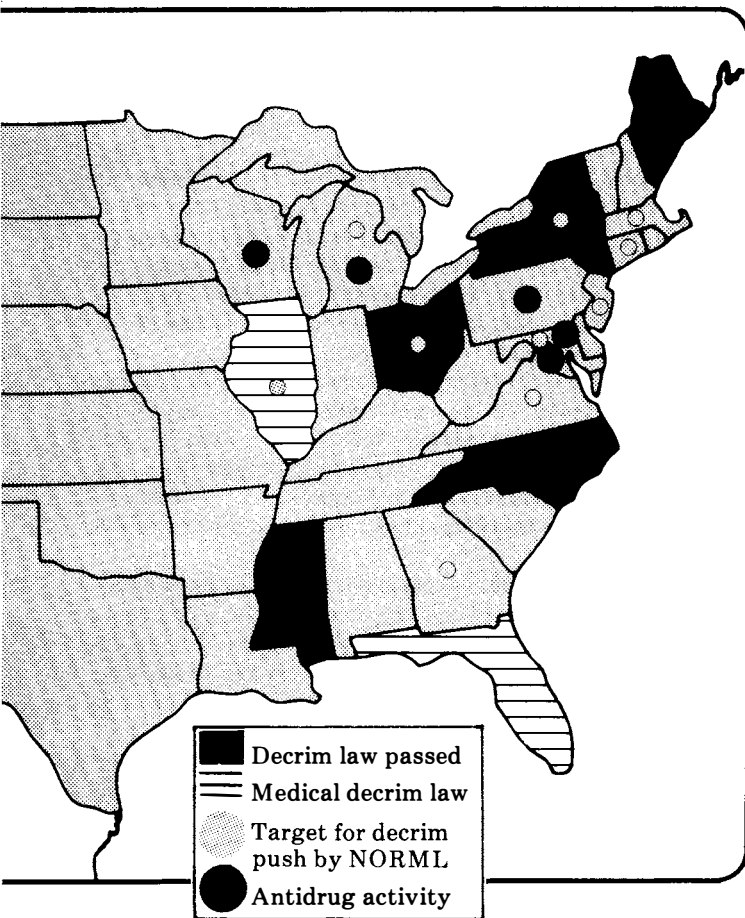
Two weeks before, NORML held a conference in Guelph, Ontario to tout the economic benefits of a full-fledged dope culture. One Gatewood Galbraith (any relation to John Kenneth?), the president of a pot-lobby group in Kentucky, told the gathering that if North American farmers were permitted to grow and market marijuana, sales — estimated at \$4 billion a year now — would flow into the "straight" economy. Legal marijuana, he concluded, "would be an enormous shot in the arm" for the United States.

Galbraith's choice of metaphor is right on target. A just-released report from New York State shows that in the year since decriminalization went into effect there, not only has "heavy" marijuana use soared among children grades 7 through 12, but so has the use of *all* drugs, from "angel dust" to heroin. And now NORML is saying right out loud that decrim was just the first step.

In its program and its personnel, NORML reveals what's behind it and the rest of the pot lobby effort: a sophisticated campaign to legitimize the gigantic international trade in illegal drugs and the billions it

supplies to City of London and other dirty money financial centers, while at the same time subjecting the U.S. population to subversion by drugs in an operation of a scope not seen since Britain put China on opium.

The accompanying map shows where NORML is focusing its energies, as well as where "medical decrim" — marijuana for glaucoma patients, for example — is in force. But whatever NORML and its supporters may insist are its liberal intentions, the reality is obvious. In October 1978 Peter Bensinger, Director of the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration, told an assembly of law enforcement officials at the annual meeting of the International Association of the Chiefs of Police that coastal states such as Maine and Oregon where marijuana had been decriminalized have become major smuggling points for marijuana, as a direct result of the decriminalization laws. Weeks before, a new evidentiary link between NORML and big-league drug running surfaced through a series of drug raids in New England. After several tons of marijuana was seized off the coast of Massachusetts, the accused dope smugglers were represented in court by James Lawson, the head of the state chapter of NORML. In the course of the official investigation of the case, it was learned that the front money for the captured marijuana shipment had been provided by mob chieftain Meyer Lansky and fugitive Robert Vesco, who built the pyramid



marijuana and heroin, championing such practices as making heroin available to "ease the passage" of the terminally ill. In 1977, NCTIP lobbied to establish the first fully implemented heroin maintenance clinic in the U.S., targeting Ohio as one of the first states to have decriminalized marijuana.

Not surprisingly, the committee is tied to the hospice, or "right to die," movement of Elizabeth Kubler-Ross, a close ally of Ted Kennedy in the U.S. The hospice gang seeks to create centers where terminally ill patients are given a mind-deadening concoction of heroin, cocaine, alcohol, tranquilizers, and chloroform, called the Brompton Mix.

The funding of the drug advocacy movement and the hospice grouping overlaps. The Kaiser Foundation is a major contributor to the Drug Abuse Council, a central clearing house for studies on drug use and information created by the Ford Foundation. Kaiser, which includes on its board Kingman Brewster, the current U.S. Ambassador to the Court of St. James and a member of the Order of St. John, also finances Hospice, Inc.

The Joseph and Rose Kennedy Institute for the Study of Human Reproduction and Bioethics at Georgetown University is also a funder of the movement, not surprising given Senator Kennedy's own attitude on the marijuana issue, or the fact that his former brother-in-law Peter Lawford is a member of NORML's Advisory Board.

The pot politicians

To create the ambiance appropriate to getting the U.S. acclimated to drug proliferation, a working relationship has developed between politicians, organized crime, "social engineers," and various intelligence agencies.

Take the case of Senator Jacob Javits. The New York Republican has sponsored a federal marijuana decriminalization bill in the U.S. Senate for the past five sessions of Congress. The aging Senator, who is also one of the leaders of the Zionist lobby in America, is on the board of NORML. Javits also serves as National Chairman of the Anti-Defamation League of the B'nai B'rith, and in the leadership of a host of other Zionist agencies.

During the 1977 session of the New York State legislature, Javits played the critical role in arm-twisting the New York Republican party into passing a bill for decriminalizing marijuana which they had *defeated* two weeks earlier.

The whiskey-manufacturing Bronfman family in the middle of both the Zionist lobby and organized crime-backed circles also waged a personal campaign to push the decriminalization bill through. After New York Governor Hugh Carey successfully oversaw the passage of the decriminalization bill, the Bronfmans rewarded the Governor with a \$350,000 consolidated loan to cover his campaign debts. Javits is said to be directly connected to organized crime himself. According to a recent NBC television news report on the use of coal investment tax write-offs by organized crime figures, it was Senator Javits who personally notified organized crime bosses, like

financial bubble Investment Overseas Service which functioned as a conduit for millions of dollars for Israeli intelligence-directed drug-running and other operations.

Who is NORML?

NORML enjoys the support of such politicians as Senators Ted Kennedy and Jacob Javits, who have used their influence to protect illegal operations and even directly sabotage inquiries that could unveil the organized crime drug-runners and the powers behind them. The power nexus at the top is most efficiently identified with the Most Venerable Military and Hospitaller Order of St. John of Jerusalem, a sovereign secret society that pulls together the British monarchy, the financial might it represents, and allied circles internationally.

The relationship between the titled Lords and Dames of the Knights of St. John and the liberal pot advocates is direct. On the advisory board of NORML is Canon Walter Dennis of the Church of St. John the Divine in New York City, the headquarters of the Order of St. John in the U.S. Acknowledging this relationship, one NORML official said, "It's so nice to have the church on your side."

Another of NORML's allies in its efforts to flood America with mind-destroying drugs is the National Committee on the Treatment of Intractable Pain. NCTIP has lobbied with NORML for the "medical use" of

Meyer Lansky, that the Internal Revenue Service was moving secretly to close a lucrative tax-loophole.

From 1954-56, Javits, then Attorney General of New York State, helped cover up experiments by the CIA and the U.S. Department of the Army using LSD on unwitting patients. The program, known as MK-ULTRA, was created by British intelligence doctors and resulted in several deaths — two occurring in New York, which Javits was also complicit in covering up.

Then there's Teddy Kennedy.

Kennedy sponsored S1437, a rewrite of the U.S. Federal Criminal Codes which includes a provision for the decriminalization of marijuana. Like Javits, Kennedy is deeply involved in Zionist-organized crime associations. For example, among Kennedy's top 1976 campaign contributors is Joseph Linsey, a leading Zionist "philanthropist" with known ties to crime chief Raymond Patriarcha, and a business partnership with Meyer Lansky.

The immediate constituency of the "pot lobby," the some 23 million Americans who have used marijuana, was essentially created by British intelligence's MK-ULTRA project. (For details on MK-ULTRA's history, see our Dec. 5-11, 1978 issue.)

NORML's Advisory Board members, the scientific core that provides the prodrug studies used to con state legislators into voting for decriminalization, are direct descendants of the original MK-ULTRA grouping.

NORML's doctors, Dr. Norman Zinberg, Dr. Lester Grinspoon, and Dr. Andrew Weil, are all veterans of Harvard University, where they received degrees under Timothy Leary and an MK-ULTRA-dominated medical department. Grinspoon, the author of *Cocaine*, a popularized history of that drug's use and users, advocates the legalization of cocaine and heroin. NORML Advisory Board member Weil, also an editor of the *Playboy* of drug magazines *High Times*, advocates the development of "coca chewing gum" for distribution in the United States, and is presently conducting experiments in coca's effects.

Lest anyone believe that the LSD heyday is past history, recent articles and lobbying efforts by Grinspoon and other NORML associates indicate that another round of LSD experiments is planned for the present generation of youth, who missed the "love is Haight" LSD experience of the late 1960s. The Dec. 10 magazine of the *Boston Globe* carries a story entitled "LSD — Report from the Living Dead," setting the climate for reinstating the use of LSD in medical experiments on mental patients. At the forefront of this campaign is, again, Lester Grinspoon, who describes psychedelic drugs in his upcoming book on the uses of psychedelic substances at the Massachusetts Mental Health Clinic as "the most interesting drugs we've investigated," bemoaning the prohibition on the use and manufacture of LSD. According to the *Globe*, Grinspoon feels "we could learn a great deal from studying its effects if the drug were available for research."

— Michelle Steinberg

The results of decrim

In the spring of 1977 the New York State legislature decriminalized marijuana. A report recently released by the state's Office of Substance Abuse documents the results of decrim: massive increases in initial, current, and heavy use categories of marijuana in school grades 7 through 12, plus jumps in initial and current use of virtually all other drugs.

The report also shows tremendous increases in drug use at younger grade levels, an explosion in use of the psychosis-inducing chemical PCP ("angel-dust"), and, most ominously, a pattern of passing rapidly from one drug to another and multiple substance use. So much for the argument that marijuana has nothing to do with use of other drugs.

No one familiar with the atmosphere in the state's high schools or streets should be surprised by the conclusions of the report. But legislators in other states, and in the U.S. Congress, should study its findings before allowing any further decriminalization — let alone legalization — of drugs.

The New York State survey is among the largest ever done in the U.S., including many done at the national level. The entire New York State school population of 1.8 million in grades 7 through 12, both public and parochial

Table 1. Substance abuse among New York State students
1,817,000 students enrolled in grades 7 through 12, Spring 1978

Type of Substance ^a	Lifetime Use (Used at least once)		Recent Use (Used since school began in Sept. '77)	
	N	%	N	%
PCP (Angel Dust)	276,000	15.5	172,000	9.6
Hallucinogens	155,000	8.7	105,000	5.8
Cocaine	194,000	10.8	136,000	7.6
Inhalants	202,000	16.0	149,000	8.3
Heroin	47,000	2.6	31,000	1.7
Methadone (illicit)	44,000	2.5	28,000	1.6
Marijuana	964,000	54.2	833,000	46.4
Hashish	447,000	25.2	341,000	19.0
Stimulants	266,000	15.1	200,000	11.1
Depressants	189,000	10.7	120,000	7.1
Tranquillizers	220,000	12.7	150,000	8.8
Cough Medicine with Codeine	195,000	11.0	110,000	6.6
Other Narcotics	199,000	11.3	134,000	7.5