

Marijuana Found Growing In The County, Three Persons Arrested

Officers Feel \$50,000 Drug Ring Solved

(Continued from Page One) mountain-top trailer house.

The plants ranged in size from a few inches to almost four feet, and they were planted between rows of corn, which was stunted in growth by the dry weather. However, the marijuana plants were green and healthy looking.

A mature marijuana plant that has been harvested is worth from \$200 to \$300 on the illegal market.

Various kinds of drugs were found in the house along with an "arsenal of guns, all loaded," according to Sheriff Carter McCall. Many empty cartridge shells and a large quantity of lead used to make their own ammunition was also found at the site.

The cabin is located in a secluded area on Jeter Mountain, surrounded by thickets of laurel and rhododendron and accessible only by a narrow, winding, washboard road.

The officers had kept the cabin under 24-hour surveillance for the past two weeks. The Sheriff said that when the plants of marijuana were spotted, samples were taken and sent to Raleigh to be analyzed.

Investigating officers also found at the scene a large brick of processed material said to be marijuana, several pipes for smoking, a small cigarette rolling machine, a number of "joints" of marijuana, two scales for the weighing of drugs and several needles and other articles for the processing of marijuana. This is believed to be a \$50,000.00 operation.

The Fahrenys said they had been living at the cabin for the past two summers.

Sunday, when he was arrested, Curry told the officers that he owned the property and that the Fahrenys worked for him.

About the living quarters, Chief Deputy Ed Owens stated: "The house looked as if it were one of the mustering-grounds for the eastern United States for the drug trade. Most of the drugs found were various forms of marijuana, but there were some others which we have not had analyzed as yet."

The cabin had electricity and a telephone. An American flag

was nailed on a tree just outside the back door and on a wall inside the cabin.

Officers said that they became suspicious of the place last year because of the "number of hippies" which congregated there from time to time.

Officers stated that also included in the haul were green plants, dry plants, bulk marijuana, seeds for other plantings, cigarettes, dried leaves and the makings for "roll your own," plus two scales for weighing drugs, vials, pipes and needles.

They also report that Fahreny is a deserter from the Army as of Nov. 27th, 1969. Curry is Canadian and has never obtained his United States Citizenship. Fahreny's wife is reported to be a practical nurse.

The trio was transferred to the Buncombe jail Wednesday afternoon. Their trial is set for October.

Sheriff McCall stated that he was most appreciative of the fine assistance given his department by law enforcement officers of Henderson county, the Brevard Police department, the State Highway patrol, ABC officers, the FBI and others.

The sheriff said that to his knowledge, this was the first time that marijuana had ever been discovered growing in Transylvania county.

Space Program To Be Heard Over WPNF, Log Is Reviewed

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The Presbyterian Church in the U. S. series of the Protestant Hour is heard locally on WPNF at 6:30 p. m. Sunday evenings and will continue through September 27th.

Music on the program will be furnished by the Chancel Choir of the First Presbyterian Church of Orlando, Fla. under the direction of Floyd Eaddy.

Other Programs

The schedule for the Farm and Home hour for the week is as follows: Thursday, Station Program; Friday, U. S. Forest Service program with Ranger Dan Hile; Monday, N. C. Forest Service with Clark Grissom; Tuesday, Jerry Purser, Agriculture Extension Agent; Wednesday, Jean Childers, Home Economics Extension Agent.

This week's speaker on Mon-

Masons To Meet Thursday Night

Dunn's Rock Masonic lodge will hold an emergent communication in the Temple on East Main street, Thursday, July 16th, beginning at 7:00 o'clock.

This announcement comes from Earl G. Norton, the Worshipful Master.

The Master states the purpose of the meeting will be conferring the Fellowcraft degree on a class of candidates which will be conferred by Jack M. Frady, Junior Warden and he will be assisted by M. M. Feaster, Jr., acting as senior deacon.

The Master urges the members to attend the emergent communication and extends a cordial invitation to all visiting Masons.

A BURIED "BRICK" of marijuana is pictured above being pointed out in its hiding place in the backyard of a trailer-house on Jeter Mountain here in Transylvania. Sheriff Carter McCall is shown indicating where the illegal drug, described as processed marijuana, was

found last weekend when law enforcement officers arrested three persons in connection with illicit drugs at the Jeter Mountain site. Several hundred plants of marijuana were also discovered growing on the property. (Times Staff Photo)

117 Are Arrested At Rooster Fights On East Fork Sunday

(Continued from Page One) Mr. Lowe Monday afternoon gave his version of the incident.

He said several citizens in the East Fork section of Transylvania, about four miles south of Rosman, had complained to him in recent weeks about the heavy traffic on Sunday morning on a road near the scene of the raid.

Mr. Lowe said he had had conversations with the Sheriff's Department about the cock-fighting "so they knew about it. As complaints continued to come in, I decided to

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get help from the SBI," he said.

About 20 agents assisted in the arrest, and those arrested were placed in a conveyance from there to Brevard. However, a sizeable number escaped the motorized conveyance. Lowe said he had anticipated that about 300 persons would be at the cockfight.

Mr. Lowe said he had issued instructions for the people arrested not to be jailed, but to be allowed to plead guilty to charges of engaging in and encouraging cockfighting. Several magistrates were at the Court-house to take the fines. Each defendant was released as soon as the fine was paid, according to Lowe, who said there were too many people involved to be

packing them in jail at the temperatures prevailing Sunday.

Mr. Lowe said he would not comment or answer Owen's charges of non-cooperation.

United Fund Committee Meets Thursday

The executive committee of the Transylvania United Fund will hold an important meeting Thursday evening, July 16th, at 8:00 p.m. at UF headquarters here in the Bryant Building.

Several important matters are up for discussion before the group, and all executive committee members are urged to attend, local UF officials state.

One ounce of wood pulp from a Southern pine tree contains more than 13 million individual wood fibers, reports the Southern Forest Institute.

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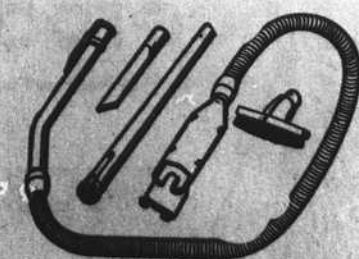
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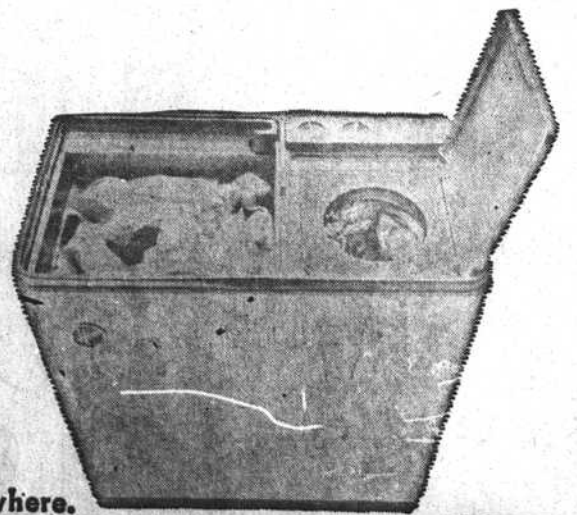
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