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controls in the early seventies.

By this time we have coming into the program the Speed Freaks and the spacies. They have in their own words "fried their brains". Where did they get the stuff? One student in the program from an Ohio college, who came into the program in 1970, floated a loan, flew to Mexico and brought back amphetamines of various kinds, manufactured in the U.S.A., and netted \$7000. for the weekend risk and trouble.

The problem arose for him when he became his own best customer. Messed up his mind; could not study, dropped out of school with 1½ semesters to go for graduation.

I am amazed that some, as late as last year, discovered an over production with shipment out of the country to be brought back in illegally. This was common knowledge to us working the streets. We assumed if we knew it, certainly, the professional agencies knew it.

Some have told of stealing them off the loading docks by the barrel full.

I do not need to restate the statistics, you have them, undoubtedly, on file.

The last three years I have been in an administrative position and only working as a volunteer with troubled people. It is disturbing and frustrating to me to start dealing with people and discover the amount of mood altering medications prescribed to cover up the problem. Yet, no one stops to try to solve the problem or provide a way of handling and dealing with the difficulties.

At Teen Challenge our approach to the drug abuser has been