

Dr. GODDARD. I think there are other sources—the surveys on campuses that have been carried out to try to gain some idea of the misuse of drugs in general have shown on some campuses 20 percent, others 10 percent.

Senator NELSON. When you use this percentage, you mean those who have tried marihuana?

Dr. GODDARD. Yes.

Senator NELSON. Are you just talking about marihuana, or are you talking about—

Dr. GODDARD. I am talking about abuse of drugs, including marihuana. But marihuana is by all odds the most frequent and abused drug.

Senator NELSON. What is the source of the supply?

Dr. GODDARD. Most of the marihuana, I am told, is smuggled into the country from other countries, particularly Mexico and Central America. Some of it is grown domestically. It grows wild, I might point out, in many parts of the United States as a result of our Indian hemp production program during World War II.

Senator NELSON. By what method is it made so easily available on campuses or to young people?

Dr. GODDARD. Well, there is a distribution system that operates. We encounter this drug very often in our drug-abuse control program. In fact, I believe 9 out of 10 arrests that we make we find the individual in possession for sale of not only LSD but also marihuana, or not only amphetamines but also marihuana, or barbiturates and marihuana—any combination. Of course, one of the reasons we have become concerned and I have made the statements I have concerning marihuana is because we do encounter it as a daily occurrence in our drug-abuse control work. It tends to run more to the drugs that we are concerned with than it does with hard narcotics.

Senator NELSON. What was your statistic on use in California by the 17- and 18-year-olds?

Dr. GODDARD. Well, I was pointing out that the increase between 1965 and 1966 was 140 percent in arrests of juveniles. The numbers involved were 1,623 arrested in 1965, and 3,869 in 1966. Now, of those arrested for marihuana possession in California, of the juveniles, 60 percent of them were aged 17 or 18, which indicates the age group where the problem is centered.

Senator NELSON. And this means, does it not, that these are high school juniors and seniors?

Dr. GODDARD. Well, 17 and 18, you know, you are getting into—

Senator NELSON. Seniors in high school.

Dr. GODDARD (continuing). Seniors and graduates, recent graduates.

Senator NELSON. Do you have any notion for the large percentage in this age group as to how they are getting it and why?

Dr. GODDARD. Well, in many instances there is a drug subculture in a given area, let's say that these young people become involved with, or it becomes a thing to do, you see, a way of flaunting society's rules. This is one of the things that people who study this phenomenon say accounts for the involvement of many youths.