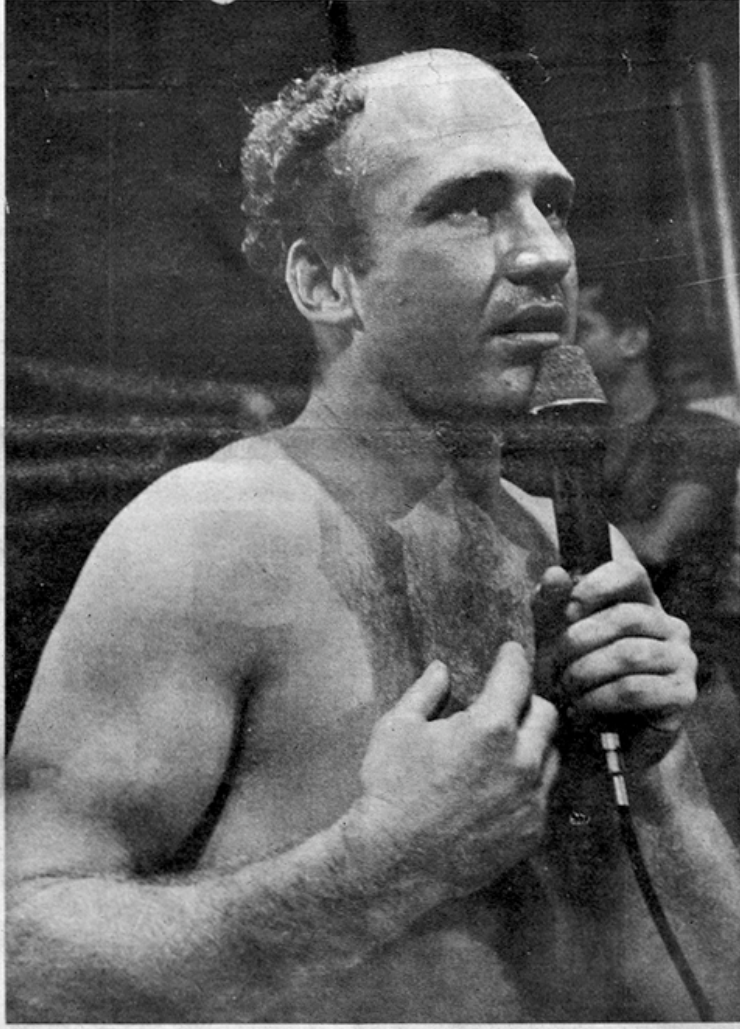


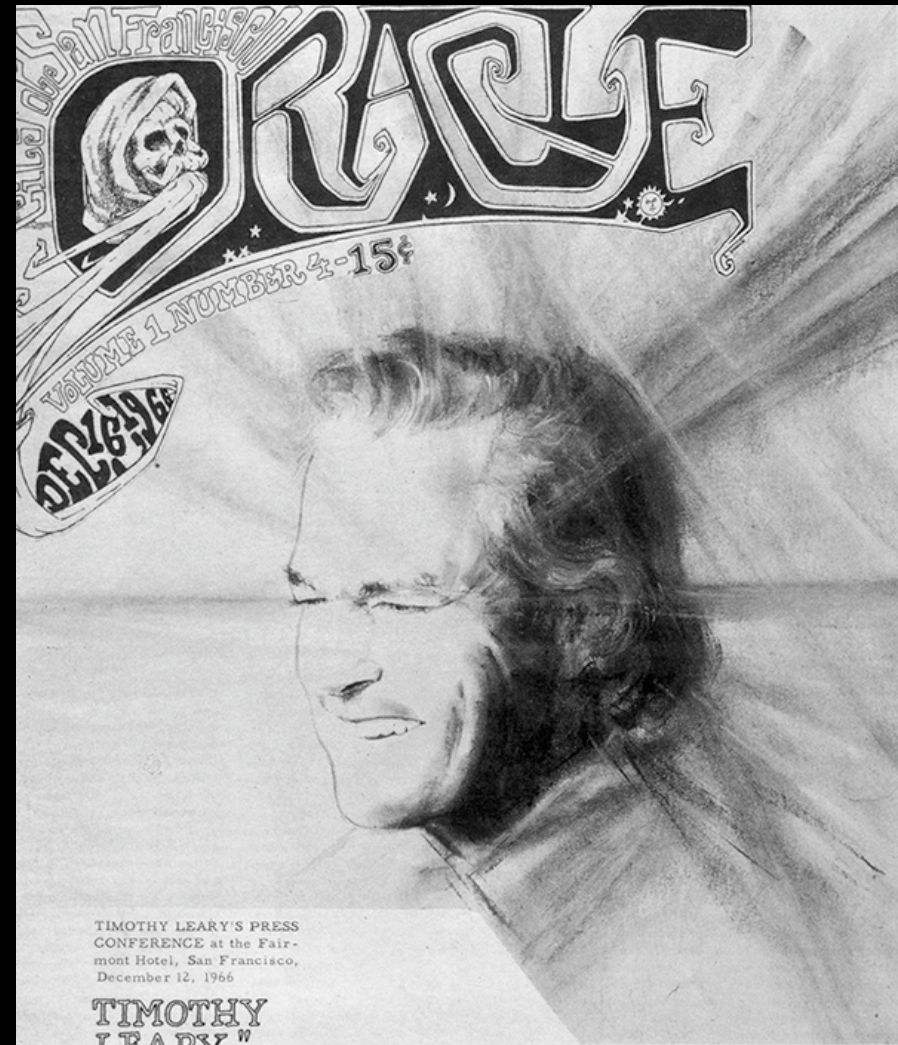
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TIMOTHY LEARY'S PRESS CONFERENCE at the Fairmont Hotel, San Francisco, December 12, 1966

TIMOTHY LEARY, "

I'm in San Francisco today for several reasons. First of all, I've spent most of my life in the Bay Area, and in that context I'm coming home. Secondly, I'm here on a religious reconnaissance. I'm interested in finding out what's happening in San Francisco in regard to the psychedelic religious movement.

I'm here to help prepare for the formal opening of our psychedelic religious celebration, the 27th & 28th, in Berkeley and San Francisco.

I'm also here to explain something about our new religion. There's been much misunderstanding; there always is misunderstanding when a new social form evolves.

Three months ago in New York City we announced the beginning of a new religion called the League for Spiritual Discovery. The aims and goals of our religion are completely orthodox, which are to find God and the Divinity within, and to express this discovery in overt acts of glorification and harmony.

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# WOMANLINESS OR MANLINESS

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# BOMBOM MAHADEV!



## A MANTRA FOR MARIJUANA

"Bomb bom mahadev!" the mantra yogis' cry as they raise the ganja pipe to inhale means "boom boom great god," according to Allen Ginsberg, who tells of having smoked it with Shaivite worshippers, devotees and yogis at Nimtallah' ghat in Calcutta, where it is considered the beginning of the yogic path of Suddhana and, of course, is legal.

Ganja is a very superior grade of Indian hemp much stronger than the best marijuana available in the United States. Allen was in India for a long while, and his First Manifesto to End the Bringdown is perhaps the best source of reasons why marijuana smoking is one of the most beneficial things a person can do, and not a little holy.

A goodly number of us know this by the most direct convincing evidence possible.

by Harry Monroe

Speaking for many who are friends and for myself, I have not the slightest reservation in saying that this much maligned plant has powers that elevate the human condition from a purely material plane to the spiritual.

If this is opinion, it is one shared with four hundred million others in the world.

### AN EXPLORATION

I came across Allen's First Manifesto in David Solomon's definitive study of the subject: THE MARIJUANA PAPERS, Bobbs-Merrill, 450 pages, \$10.00. Really three books under one cover with appendix. It is well written, and I cannot think of any area of the subject that is not thorough-

ly and intelligently explored by leading authorities, and by such I do not mean the police or federal agents.

Put together by a savant and not a propagandizer, this book contains sufficient evidence to refute the specious arguments that fall under the heading: killer drug nonsense and propaganda.

Mr. Solomon has collated a massive volume of absolutely convincing evidence to support the statement that marijuana is good for you, good for your health, good for your mind, and good for your world.

It seems an understatement to say it is good for your soul when one has witnessed in self and others a development of soul and spiritual growth attributable to marijuana. This is an opinion shared with an

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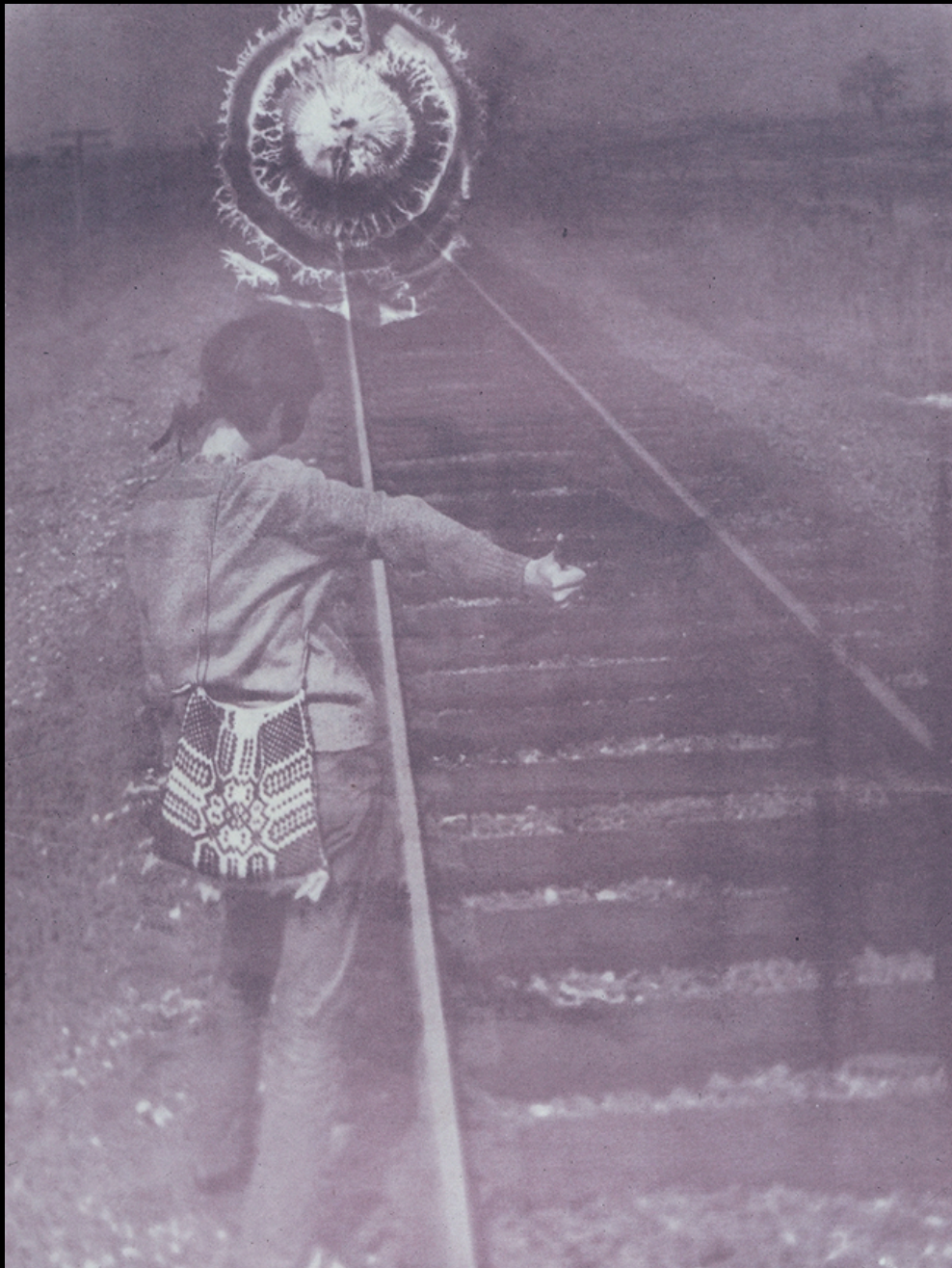
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One generation passes away, and another generation comes; but the earth abides forever. -

The sun also rises, and the sun goes down, and hastens to his place where he arose.

The wind goes toward the south, and turns about unto the north; it whirls about continually, and the wind returns again according to his circuits.

All the rivers run into the sea; yet the sea is not full; unto the place from whence the rivers come, thither they return again.

*Ecclesiastes*



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*And the devil, taking him up to an exceedingly high place, showed unto him all the kingdoms of the world in a moment of time. And the devil said unto him, all this power will I give Thee and the glory of them, for that is delivered unto me, and to whomsoever I will give it: If thou, therefore, wilt worship me, all shall be thine.*



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