IOWA SCOUTS NAB
8 TONS OF GRASS
GRINELL, Iowa (LNS)-100 Boy Scouts turned out for a "marijuana pull-in" recently under the sponsorship of the local law enforcement agency.

Equipped with samples of their prey, generously supplied by the sponsors, the industrious youths fanned out through the city and its environs with instructions to pull up the hemp and deposit it in the city dump. The day's haul came to eight tons.

The "pull-in" was designed, Deputy Sheriff Gene Rodberg explained, to publicize the large amount of marijuana growing wild in Grinell and throughout Iowa. The point being, Deputy Rodberg explains, that an informed citizenry is an enlightened mass and should destroy the dope on contact.

Iowa grass isn't highly regarded, but it's still a possession bust, and Iowa lawmen have been known to pull people out of suspicious corn fields. "Out of state youths" have been blamed for the popular refining method involving boiling alcohol.

As the Scouts worked busily at their assigned tasks, a police guard was established to protect the freshly picked grass from possible seizure by dissident forces. "There've been a lot of people at the dump today," said one officer warily. Another, declining to give his name, commented, "Boy, how much could we sell that for in New York?" A fifteen-year-old Scout told reporters this was his first experience with the drug, although he'd heard a lot about it. "I'll be sure to recognize it from now on," he offered.

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