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Jim Jordan — 28 Jun 2000, 16:26

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Michael Andre-Driussi — 28 Jun 2000, 15:01 · follows Jim Jordan

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Not that this is a final answer, of course, bfwiv I thought the allusion was to hashish rather than marijuana. And "hash" is the name of a foodstuff, too.

As for the sfnal rational, the stuff was brought back by an interstellar probe. Like you said before, mana from heaven.

The winter they spent in a trance, that was due to a different substance, wasn't it? (Probably one of the daughters of medicine: those four little pots. One was birth allowance, one was lighten the load, one was near immortality) Because the St. Bea's Bread was something they smoked three or four times a day, no big deal; but that winter in the treehouse was something different for Rush That Speaks, iirc.

Go Ask Alice, I think she knows.

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