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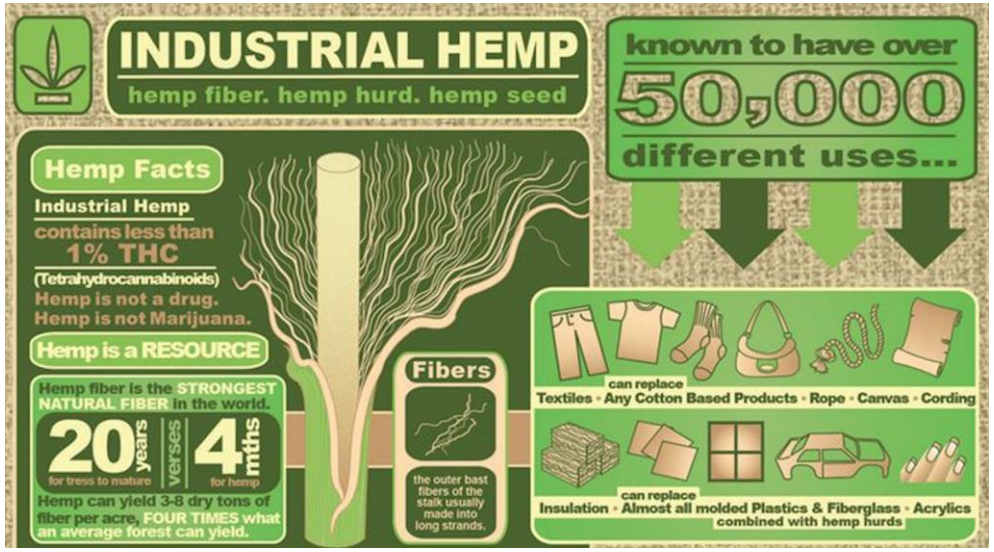
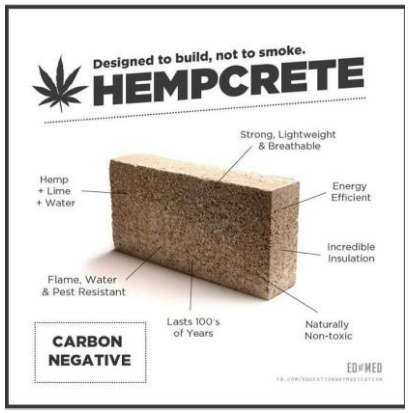
Industrial Hemp - Maine Economic Opportunities

Industrial Hemp: Reversing the Stigma

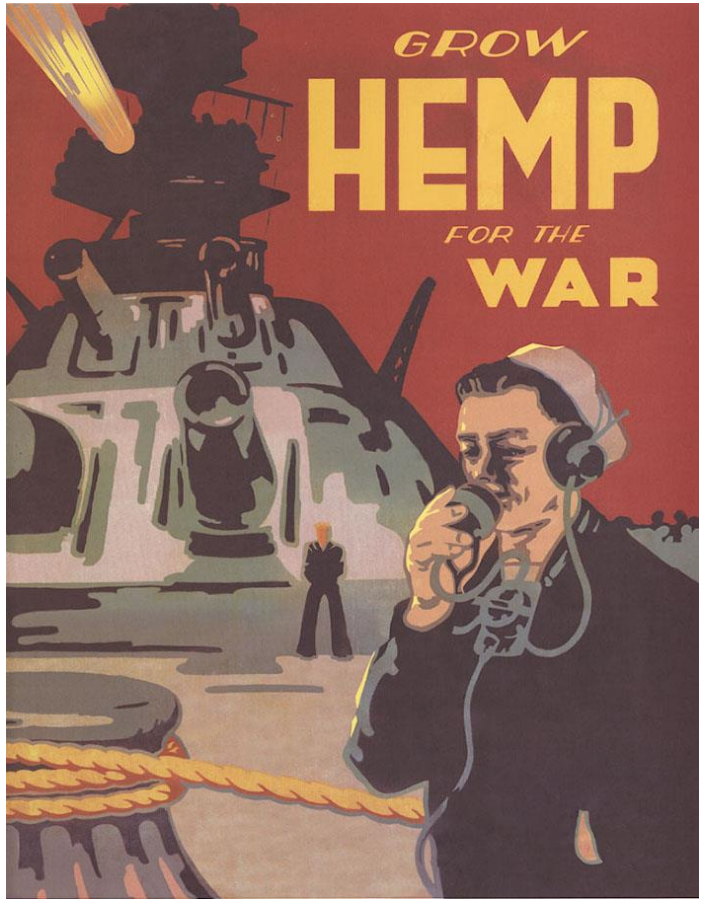
- Banned federally in **1937** when marijuana was prohibited
- Heavily stigmatized for decades
- **Not** Psychoactive
- **100s** of uses

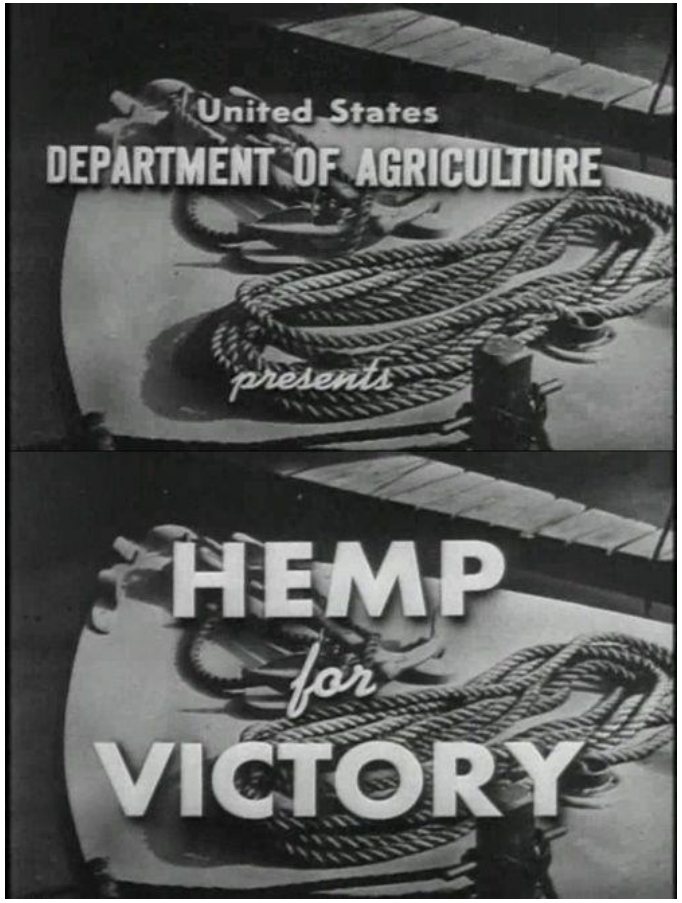
Hemp Uses: Food, Fiber, Fuel and More





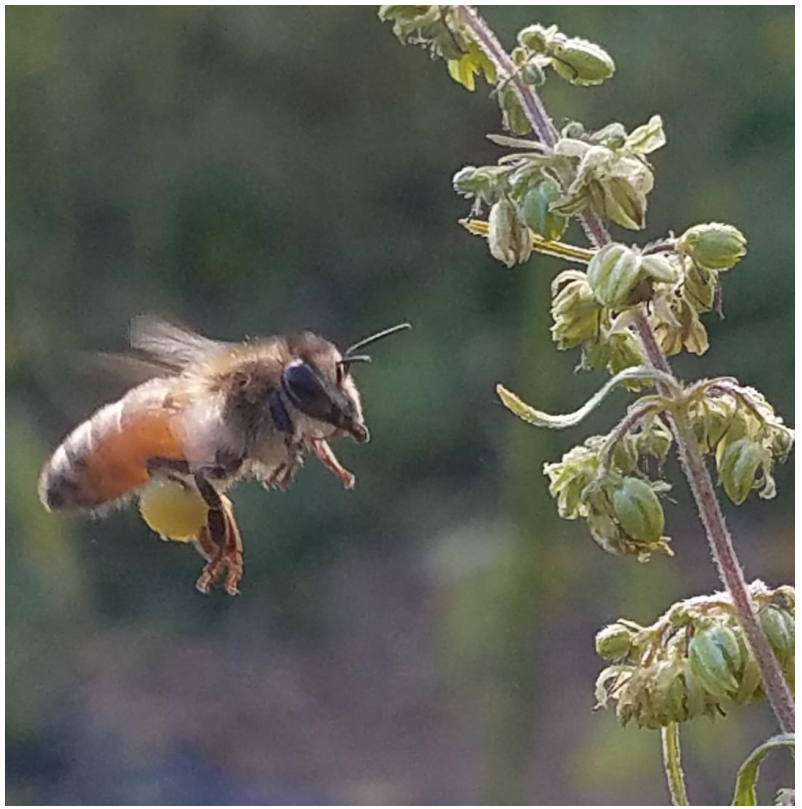
America: A Long History of Hemp





Maine: A Head Start on a Multi-Billion Dollar Industry

But we will lose if we don't push hard, **soon**.

- Potential for thousands of new jobs
- Better use of tillable acreage
- Millions in possible revenue
- **Mainers already know how to do these jobs! –** agriculture, fiber/paper industry, textiles & fabrics, and more

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