

BIRTH CONTROL IS DISCUSSED BY BRISBANE

Should There be General Knowledge and Consideration of This Important Subject?

HOLLAND IN THE LEAD WITH GOOD RESULTS

False Modesty Blamed for Much of the Distress Arising from Poverty and Other Evils Due to Over-Population - Physical Standards Weakened.

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Should we or not also will be some a mother today or postpone the responsibility. Holland has cut down the per centage of death, has grown in population and has the lowest infant mortality in Europe. That should be known.

In the United States on the other hand, where it is illegal to give information on birth control, there is more abortion, which means killing the child before birth than in any other country in the world.

Malthus, an English clergyman, is called the father of birth control. He advocated "no more children than the condition of the country can afford."

Next as a birth control article in the Encyclopedia Britannica supplement, one hundred years ago declared the best means of checking population to be the most important problem of the day.

There have been bitter discussions on this subject during the last hundred years. Clergymen urged the solemnity of life, the crime of interfering with it, the right of God alone to decide on population, upon the arrival or non-arrival here of creatures created by him.

They were answered harshly by Thomas Nixon Carver, professor of political economy at Harvard College in the following emphatic paragraph: "Those think large families among the rabbits highly commendable. Employers who want large supplies of cheap labor, military leaders who want plenty of cheap food for gunpowder, and politicians who want plenty of voters, all agree in commending large families and rapid multiplication among the poorer classes. Many physicians and some judges favor birth control. Dr. Jacobi, a great specialist on child welfare, whose memory is a celestial world holds in respect, wrote:

"I often hear that an American family has had ten children, but only three or four survived. Before the former succumbed, they were a source of expense, poverty and morbidity to the latter and the health of the community at large, they had better not been born. There is only one country in which that question is regarded with hypocritical sneers, and that country is ours."

A Judge in Australia, Justice Windy, said this: "Information cannot be pure, chaste and legal in Morocco as a guinea, but impure, obscene and indecent in a paper, pamphlet or stenographic. Information, to be of value as a safeguard from the miseries of over-population and overcrowding, must be given wholesome to the masses likely to be overbred. The time is past when knowledge can be kept as the exclusive privilege of any caste or class."

Herbert Spencer's view was expressed as follows: "In the politico-economic ideal of human existence there is contemplated a quantity only and not quality. Instead of an immense amount of life of low type I would far sooner see half the amount of life of high type. Spencer, a scientist, knew that great and uncontrollable fertility is absolutely necessary to maintain the forms of life. Perhaps human beings are still included among these lower forms?"

One weak spot in the argument of birth control advocates is their constant repetition of the idea "we have too many inferior children from the inferior lower classes. We want more children from the upper class." But do we? What percentage of the world's really great men have come from the upper classes? Not 1 per cent. Not one half of 1 per cent, although opportunity, knowledge and leisure have been with the upper class children.

The mother of Napoleon Bonaparte began having children when she was fifteen or younger. Some died. She went right on, and finally Napoleon Bonaparte came to change history and make kings ridiculous. His mother

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Birth control has been more odious in the eyes of earnest clergymen by the unbellying character of its supporters. Those included Charles Bradlaugh, who really made and won the fight for birth control in England, and Robert Ingersoll, Ingersoll said: "For thousands of years men and women have been trying to reform the world. Why have the reformers failed? I will tell you why: "Ignorance, poverty and vice are populating the world. The gutter is the nursery. People unite even to support themselves all the temptations, the huts and hovels with children. Science must make women the mistress of her own destiny. Science, the only possible savior of mankind, must put it in the power of life and so truly brutalize her that she will or will not become a mother."

The most powerful advocate of birth control, intellectually, was John Stuart Mill, son of James Mill. See his "Principles of Economy."

There are an abundance of writers and public speakers, including many of the most ostentatious preachers to high feeling, whose views of life are so truly brutal that they see hardship in preventing paupers from breeding hereditary paupers in the workhouse itself."

Modesty and virtue have been mixed in with the birth control discussion. It is suggested that knowledge, making it possible to prevent child-birth, would demoralize women.

Robert Owen, son of the great Owen who did so much for industry and agriculture in England, answered that suggestion as follows: "Truly, but they pay their wives, at their daughters' expense, or daughter or wife of mine, any ascertained fact whatever."

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