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# Rally for Life!

20th Anniversary of Roe v. Wade

Sunday, January 17, 1993

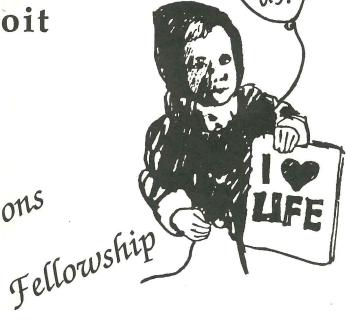
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Kennedy Square

Detroit







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### Threat to survival

Are black women committing "national suicide" when they choose abortion for their unborn children? According to Dr. Mildred F. Jefferson, "If the current trend continues, with 44% of the abortion population being drawn from a segment that represents 12.1% of the general population, it is possible that there will be no indigenous population of African descent (in this country) by the end of the next century."

A graduate of Harvard Medical School, Dr. Jefferson is currently Assistant Clinical Professor of Surgery at Boston University School of Medicine and is on Lifespan's Advisory Council. (See related article on page 3.)

> -Human Development Resource Council, Inc. LifeSupport, Fall 1992

### Help our baby ring this bell GOAL 31,348 Help us meet our goal for the 1993 Billboard Campaign! Fill out the form below and mail it to us with your donation. See back page for more informa-\$5,098 tion. Thank you!

### Pop quiz on euthanasia

1. Why did the chicken cross the road?

To get to the other side.

2. Why does Jack Kevorkian cross the road?

To help sick patients get to the other side.

3. Why are so many who claim to be defenders of civil rights opposing the rights of those with handicaps to live?

Because they've gone over to the other side.

- 4. Why are those with handicaps going to fight this till the end? Because they won't be pushed over to one side.
- 5. Why don't more people who claim to be liberals join them? Because they're chicken.

-Ron Seigel Michigan Handicapper Caucus

### Acorns and embryos

There's an argument out there that goes like this: Calling an embryo a human is like calling an acom an oak tree. The answer is very simple. To call an acorn an oak tree is like calling an infant an adult. Rather, you must ask: Is the human embryo a stage of human life? Is the acorn a stage in the life of the oak tree? Yes, they both are. All the human embryo needs to develop into an adult human is time and nutrition: the same is true for the mature oak tree.

-Right to Life of Greater Cincinnati, Inc. Newsletter August, 1992

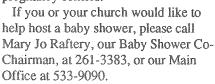
### Prayer helps

Each 1st Tuesday of the month, Catholics United for Life meets to pray for unborn babies and their mothers at

St. Bede Church, 12 Mile at Southfield Rd., from 7-8 p.m. Call Earl Amyotte at 339-5533 for more information.

### **Showers predicted!**

On Sunday, March 28, 1993 Right to Life - 4 Lifespan will be hosting approximately 20 baby showers simultaneously at different locations throughout the metro area for crisis pregnancy centers.



### President Bush

Regardless of any political differences, prolifers must agree that President Bush stood strong and unwavering on prolife issues the past four years. Hundreds of thousands of children are alive today because of his prolife regulations and vetoes on pro-abortion legislation. Please write to him and thank him for his dedication to the cause. (See page 8 for address.)

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wenty years ago, most people thought of Planned Parenthood as a nice, respectable charity, perhaps on par with Easter Seals or the American Lung Association. Today that image has changed drastically. "For better or worse, Planned Parenthood has become identified in the popular mind as an organization that has a primary emphasis on abortion," notes Dr. Warren Pearse, executive director of the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists.<sup>1</sup>

threatened by overpopulation. Eugenists believed that such disaster could be avoided through a genetic solution: restrict or eliminate "bad" racial stocks, and gradually "aid" the evolutionary ascent of man. Margaret Sanger, the founder of Planned Parenthood, was a well-known leader in the Eugenics movement.

Eugenics, the science that seeks to improve races through the control of hereditary factors, was very popular among liberal intellectuals in the 1920s. Margaret Sanger advocated this

would immediately give a concrete and realistic power to that science. As a matter of fact, birth control has been accepted by the most clear-thinking and far-seeking of the eugenists themselves as the most constructive and necessary of the means to racial health."

In 1920, the Birth Control Review, a publication edited by Margaret Sanger, endorsed Lothrop Stoddard's book The Rising Tide of Color Against White World Supremacy. In 1923, the Review

# EUGENICS

### THE OMINOUS ORIGINS OF PLANNED PARENTHOOD

This is not surprising, when you consider that over 60 Planned Parenthood affiliates perform abortions in 100 locations across this country. From 1980 to 1990 Planned Parenthood affiliates performed over one million abortions. In 1990, Planned Parenthood received about \$31 million in income due to its abortion services. That same year, the organization received \$126.8 million from federal, state and local government reimbursements and grants.2 Private fund raising nets Planned Parenthood about \$90 million a year.3 Legalized abortion has become big business for this charity, a business Planned Parenthood protects through major advertising campaigns, controversial lawsuits and vigorous lobbying.

Planned Parenthood's current image as a controversial advocate of abortion rights is not really a new direction for the organization, but rather a return to its radical roots. Planned Parenthood was not born as a conservative, respectable charity, but as the offspring of the Eugenics movement.

In the early 1990s many scientists, intellectuals and social reformers feared that the world was facing imminent economic disaster due to "unchecked human fertility." The planet was

"revolutionary science" when she wrote "The Pivot of Civilization" in 1922. In her writings, she urged the use of birth control to limit the people she described as "human weeds." Sanger saw a need to control poor people and immigrants (especially non-whites) as "reckless breeders" who were "unceasingly spawning (a) class of human beings who should never have been born at all."

Sanger opposed philanthropic aid to the poor, especially maternity care, as it would.

"encourage the healthier and more normal sections of the world to shoulder the burden of the unthinking and indiscriminate fecundity of others: which brings with it a dead weight of human waste. Instead of decreasing and aiming to eliminate stocks that are most detrimental to the future of the race and the world, it tends to render them to a menacing degree dominant."

Margaret Sanger viewed birth control as a wonderful tool for implementing eugenics. In "Pivot," she wrote,

"Birth control...is really the greatest and most truly eugenic method, and its adoption as part of the program of eugenics came out in favor of restricting immigration on a racial basis. In 1932, the *Review* published a "Plan for Peace," urging sterilization, segregation and concentration camps for "dysgenic" stocks. If this sounds like Nazi Germany, it should. In 1933, the *Review* published "Eugenic Sterilization: An Urgent Need," by Ernst Rudin, Hitler's director of genetic sterilization and a founder of the Nazi Society for Racial Hygiene.<sup>8</sup>

### PLANNED PARENTHOOD: BEGINNINGS

In 1916, Margaret Sanger opened America's first birth control clinic in an area of New York City with a large immigrant population. She founded the American Birth Control League, which was later joined by the Birth Control Federation of America. In 1940, the American Birth Control League held a symposium which was addressed by Henry Fairchild, president of the American Eugenics Society. In his speech, Fairchild remarked, "...these two great movements, eugenics and birth control, have now come together as almost indistinguishable." Later, a new organization was formed to incorporate both these groups, and a

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# 1993 "Mother of the Year"

In conjunction with our Mother's Day Dinner on May 4, 1993, we will be honoring a "Mother of the Year."

We are looking for nominations from among our members or others for this third annual award. The nominee must be a resident of the Metro Detroit area and able to attend the award dinner on May 4.

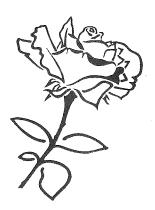
Nominations must be submitted in writing explaining why you feel this person qualifies for "Mother of the Year." Nominations must be received no later than Thursday, April 1. No nominations by or for Right to Life -Lifespan board members will be considered.

Our "Mother of the Year" will be an honored guest at the dinner on May 4. She will be awarded a plaque, a dozen long-stemmed roses and a \$100 gift certificate to J.C. Penney's.

If your nominee is chosen, you will also receive a free ticket to the dinner. If the "Mother of the Year" is nominated by two or more individuals, the first one received will be eligible for the free ticket.

Our 1992 "Mother of the Year" was Ardis Spalding. She was nominated by her daughter, Jill Slater, of Livonia.

Please include your name, address and phone number and also the address and phone number of your nominee. Mail or deliver your nomination for "Mother of the Year" to Right to Life - Lifespan, 28200 Seven Mile Rd., #127, Livonia 48152 for receipt no later than 3:00 p.m. on April 1. For more information, please call 533-9090. For further details on the Mother's Day Dinner, please see page 9.



### **January 22nd Activities**

### March for Life

January 22, 1993 is the 20th anniversary of Roe v. Wade which allowed abortion on demand, for any reason, throughout the entire nine months of pregnancy.

At noon on Friday, January 22, the annual March for Life in Washington, D.C. will be held. It begins with the Rally in the Ellipse, just south of the White House.

Prolifers will march along Constitution Avenue to the Capitol and Supreme Court. Marchers are encouraged to then go into the Congressional Office Buildings to lobby with their Representatives and Senators.

The March for Life Committee is also sponsoring a convention at the Hyatt Regency Capitol Hill with the theme, "Taking the Offensive with the Life Principles." The convention keynote program will begin Friday evening at 7:30 p.m. The convention will continue on Saturday, January 23 with a full day of activity. The \$45.00 registration fee includes Friday and Saturday convention and beverage breaks.

The Rose Dinner on Saturday evening is an additional \$50.00 for those wishing to attend.

A special room rate of \$85.00, plus taxes, for up to 4 persons/room is available at the Hyatt-Regency on Capitol Hill. Call the Hotel directly for reservations and information: 1-202-737-1234. Identify yourself as making a reservation with the March for Life Education and Defense Fund. You must make your reservation by January 7th.

For information on transportation to Washington, please call 533-9090.

### Say it with roses!

On January 22, live red roses are delivered in conjunction with March for Life activities, to each Member of Congress, the Supreme Court and the President and Vice President.

If you too would like to "say it with roses," send your name, address, city,

state, zip and phone, along with a taxdeductible contribution to MARCH FOR LIFE, Box 90300, Washington, D.C. 20090.

### Ecumenical service

An ecumenical memorial service will be held on Sunday, January 10. A funeral procession will begin at 7:00 p.m. with a liturgy in front of the abortion clinic located at 11012 13 Mile Rd., between Van Dyke and Hoover in Warren.

Funeral services will follow at the North Pointe Baptist Church located next to the abortion clinic. Reverend Jon W. Reusch, pastor of Hope Lutheran Church, will give the eulogy.

This service is being sponsored by Right to Life of Warren/Center Line. For information, call Ron Robinson 573-4779.

### Memorial meeting

Pastor Bradley Powell, Senior Pastor at Temple Baptist Church, Redford, will be the speaker at a meeting and memorial service hosted by Lifespan's Wayne County, West/Downriver Chapter on January 21 at 7:30 p.m. See page 7 for more details.

### January 21 candles

Prolife homes across the metro area will remember the almost 30,000,000 aborted unborn by burning candles outdoors on the eve of the 22nd.

Lifespan has candle kits available for your use; see pages 6, 7 for the phone number of your local chapter office.

### A day of prayer

A day of prayer for the Right to Life of the Unborn will be held Friday, January 22 from 7:30 a.m. till 9:00 p.m. at St. Cletus Catholic Church, 26262 Ryan Rd., Warren (between Dequindre and Mound, south of I-696).

The rosary will be recited every hour; there will be a Mass at noon.

## Celebrate Life Rally

### Sunday, January 17, 2 - 3 p.m., Kennedy Square, Detroit

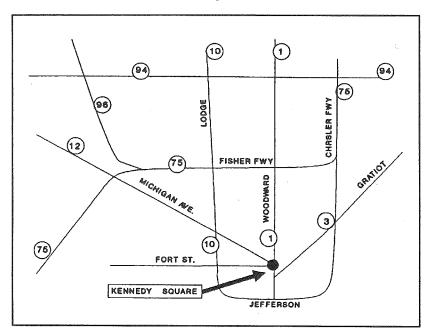
A Celebrate Life Rally will be held on January 17, 1993 from 2:00 to 3:00 p.m. at Kennedy Square in downtown Detroit. This annual prolife rally is hosted by the Detroit Chapter of Right to Life - Lifespan of Metro Detroit.

Each year on the Sunday before the January 22nd anniversary of *Roe v. Wade*, prolifers gather to memorialize the 1973 Supreme Court decision. 1993 will mark the 20th year of legalized abortion on demand. Since January 22, 1973, on the day of infamy when the U.S. Supreme Court stripped the unborn child of his right to life, almost 30 million babies have been killed by abortion.

Let's join together at the "Rally for Life" to protest the last 20 years of legalized abortion and to publicly reaffirm our belief in the value of all human life. The rally is a family event so bring your children. There will be balloons, music and speakers.

Our speakers include: State Senator Doug Carl, State Representative Nick Ciaramitaro, Judy Ellsworth, Post Abortion Counseling and Education, Pastor Kurt Gebhard, North Oaks Community Church, Charles Kleinbrook, Professionals for Life, Rev. J. D. Landis, Community United Methodist Church, Don Marengere, Adoption Option, Jay McNally, Michigan Catholic, Paul Moses, Central Macomb Right to Life, Jan Opris, Christian Activist Network, Pastor Rickford Parker, Grace Chapel and Shelly Trayer, WUFL Radio.

Metro-wide support of this rally is crucial. We must send a loud message to the news media, elected officials and the general public that the prolife movement is alive and growing. For more information, call 874-0432 or 533-9090. Let's make it a great day for God, for America and for ALL human beings.



### WHAT CAN YOU DO?

- 1. For more information and/or Rally fliers, call 533-9090 or Carol at 861-2749 evenings/weekends.
- Reproduce and distribute the flier to family, friends, co-workers and church members, encouraging them to attend.
- 3. Have your church or organization cosponsor the Rally,
- 4. Carpool or bring a bus load. Bring at least 5 other people.
- 5. Pray for the success of the Rally.

Please complete	this form and return it as soon as possible to Lifespan, 28200 Seven Mile Rd., #127, Livonia, 48152.
	Yes, we are interested in attending the Rally for Life!  Church Bus Yes No
	Yes, please list my church/organization as a co-sponsor of the Rally!
Your Name	Pastor's/Director's Signature (only if co-sponsoring)
Your Phone	Church/Organization Name



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# Chapter

### Office hours

M, Th 10-2 TWF Closed Carol Smith, Chairman Betty Queen, Ofc. Mgr.

### In memory

Reverend Thomas McAnoy, pastor of Our Lady of the Rosary Parish, died Monday, November 30th after a long illness. The Detroit Lifespan Chapter has rented office space in the rectory since 1985.

We want to extend our condolences to his family, friends and his parishioners. He was so loved by all; his passing leaves a big void in this little corner of Detroit. May he be in peace in the hands of our Lord.

### **Thanks**

A very special thanks to all our Christmas card distributors and our sincere thanks to all who purchased our Right to Life cards. We are very grateful for all your help and generosity.

We wish to extend to all our Detroit Chapter friends a very happy holiday and a very peaceful and blessed New Year.

### Urgent! Urgent!

We are in special need of 2 or 3 ablebodied people to be in charge of hanging our banners for our January 17th Rally at Kennedy Square. This will mean arriving at Kennedy Square by 1:00 p.m. with a step ladder and some rope. Banners will be there to be put into place.

Please, will someone come forward to help with this once a year project. Call 874-0432; if we are not there, please leave a message on the answering machine. Please call—we need you!

A quote from Margaret Mead:

"Never doubt that a small group
of thoughtful committed citizens
can change the world.

Indeed, it is the only thing
that ever has."

Detroit Chapter 5930 Woodward Ave. Detroit, MI 48202-3516 (313) 874-0432

### New office hours

M, T, Th, F 12-3; W 10-4 Diane Fagelman, Chairman Clare Schneider, Secretary

Note change of office hours!

### Welcome!

Welcome to our new volunteer, Charlotte
Walker, who will be working as Office Manager three days a week and will help us coordinate our office and ease the burden on Clare and me during these very busy times.

### The challenge ahead

As the new year dawns, I would, on behalf of myself and the Board, like to thank you for all of your support during 1992.

We wish you and yours the best in 1993. We thank God for what He has given us and we pray for wisdom and strength in our new endeavors.

Be of good cheer! Hold your heads up high! We, in the prolife movement, have had some disappointments this year, but these disappointments must be the catalyst that will motivate us to pursue our dreams—respect for all human life from conception to natural death.

Our fight is not easy:

- No positive press: we are not "politically correct."
- No government funds: PP gets \$30 million a year to promote their "politically correct" agenda, especially with our children in the schools.
- No outcry from the general populace: We are drowning in apathy while blood is spilled in our "nice, clean-operating" abortion theaters.

But we have not lost! As long as there are good men and women, such as yourselves, willing to take a stand, we become the gnawing irritant which will not go away. We will be there until

treated; the treatment being a Human Life Amendment to the Constitution which will restore to all, and that includes the child in the womb, a right to life from conception till natural death.

### RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP AND ASK A FRIEND TO JOIN!

### Thank you, Congressman Broomfield

We encourage you to write to Congressman William Broomfield, who is retiring after 38 years' service, and thank him for his consistent prolife voting record during his legislative career.

His address is:

The Honorable William Broomfield 300 Park Street, Suite 340 Birmingham, MI 48009

Oakland County Chapter 800 S. Adams, #102 Birmingham, MI 48009-7005 (313) 258-9760

# News

# West and wayne downriver

### Office hours

M-F 10-4 Patricia Holscher, Chairman Linda Kournoian, Ofc. Mgr.

### **General meeting**

In commemoration of the 20th anniversary of *Roe v*. *Wade*, we have invited **Pastor Bradley Powell**, Senior Pastor at Temple Baptist Church, to be our guest speaker at our general meeting.

He is a very inspiring and gifted speaker who has been a defender of the unborn and a leader in the prolife movement for many years.

Pastor Powell gives us hope and encouragement as we recommit ourselves to protect innocent, defenseless human life.

We all need to hear his message. Please join other prolifers in welcoming him.

**GUEST SPEAKER**Pastor Bradley Powell

TOPIC
Challenge to be Prolife

DATE/TIME
Thursday, January 21
7:30 p.m.

PLACE
Temple Baptist Church
23800 W. Chicago
Redford

No charge

Refreshments

**Fellowship** 

### Church reps

Regrettably, I have accepted the resignations of some of our key people, namely church reps, for various personal reasons.

They have served faithfully and honorably for many years as the liaison between Lifespan and their churches. Alice Potter, Angela Rozmys, Carol and Nick Miceli, we thank you for the thousands of selfless hours you have spent trying to make this world a better place for both the born and unborn.

And, to Pat Quilty, who had retired to Canada earlier this year, Lifespan and the church reps at St. Alphonsus are glad you're back!

We welcome all our new church reps. If you'd like to be your church rep or an assistant, give us a call. We need each other if we are to win the "war against the unborn."

### Candle luminaries

We will again have candle luminaries which are to be placed outside on January 21, the eve of the anniversary of *Roe v. Wade*. Hopefully, this annual ritual will recall that a preborn baby is killed every forty seconds of every minute, of every hour, of every day, legally, by abortionists.

Pick up candle kits at the Wayne West/Downriver office for yourself or for your church. Call us with your order. Donations are gladly accepted, but are not tax-deductible.

(Isn't it ironic that donations to Lifespan are not tax-deductible because we lobby for prolife legislation, but donations to Planned Parenthood are tax-deductible and they lobby for prodeath legislation?)

Wayne County, West and Downriver Chapter 27578 Schoolcraft Livonia, MI 48150-2203 (313) 422-6230

# From the President's Desk



Dear Friends,

The recent election results were cause for some doom-and-gloom. However, we never thought defeating the evil of abortion was going to be easy. The past twenty years have proven that.

Clinton's agenda on abortion includes:

- Ending the ban on abortion in military hospitals overseas
- Repealing bans on abortion counseling at federally funded family planning clinics
- · Funding fetal tissue research
- Allowing the importation of RU486, the abortion pill

It is almost certain that Clinton will sign the so-called "Freedom of Choice Act" (FOCA) if Congress passes it as promised. FOCA will invalidate virtually any limits on abortion, even during the final months of pregnancy (see page 8).

If there is any hope in delaying or defeating these items, it will be through your prayers and your avalanche of phone calls and letters to Washington.

Bishop Vaughan explains that in the two slaughters of infants in Scripture, good people were able to rescue Moses, who set his people free (Exodus 1, 2), and Jesus, who set the whole world free (Matthew 1). A baby we save may not be a Moses or an Einstein, but each one is uniquely important.

So, good people, the fight must go on.

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P. S. Looking forward to seeing you at the Rally on the 17th!



# Legislative Update



### **NATIONAL NEWS**

### Addresses

#### President

President George Bush
The White House
Washington, DC 20500
Opinion Line (202) 456-1111, before 5 PM
(202) 456-1414, after 5 PM

Dear Mr. President:

#### Senators

The Honorable (first and last name) United States Senate Washington, DC 20510 (202) 224-3121

Dear Senator (last name):

#### Representatives

The Honorable (first and last name) House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515 (202) 224-3121

Dear Congressman or Congresswoman (last name):

#### Governor

The Honorable John Engler Office of the Governor P.O. Box 30013 Lansing, MI 48909 (517) 373-3400

Dear Governor Engler:

#### State Senator or Representative

The Honorable (full name)
State Capitol
Lansing, MI 48913
(517) 373-1837

Dear Senator (last name):

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Dear Representative (last name):

### The Freedom of Choice Act (FOCA)

Congress reconvenes January 5th, and the Senate Majority Leader George Mitchell has promised to put abortion legislation at the top of the agenda. This means FOCA could be on its way towards passage before Clinton is even inaugurated.

If this legislation passes, it will take abortion out of the hands of the Supreme Court, state legislatures, and any regulatory agencies. The bill permits no limits on abortion. All existing state laws designed to protect women such as waiting periods, informed consent and parental notification will be nullified.

We must not assume that FOCA will pass. In the face of the election, support for the bill eroded over the summer.

However, we must act NOW. Washington must be inundated with letters and phone calls protesting the extreme nature of the bill. A vote for FOCA is an endorsement of abortion with no limit, no regulation.

If we fail, if FOCA is signed into law, the progress we have made over the past twenty years to restore legal protection to the unborn will come to a screeching stop. If you need further information on FOCA, please call us at 533-9090.

### **ACTION ALERT**

Please write **immediately** to your two U.S. Senators and to your Congressman. Express your strong opposition to the so-called "Freedom of Choice Act." Phone calls are also extremely important. The phone number for the Congressional switchboard is (202) 224-3121.

### **MICHIGAN NEWS**

### **Parental Consent**

The bill requiring minors to obtain written consent from a parent or guardian, or a waiver from a probate judge to have an abortion, passed the Michigan Senate 26-8. It had previously passed the House and has been signed by Gov. John Engler. The law will take effect April 1, 1993.

### **Assisted Suicide Ban**

The legislature has finally enacted legislation to make assisted suicide a felony punishable by four years in prison and a \$2,000 fine.

The law will take effect April 1 and also sets up a study commission for 15 months. The Commission will study questions such as the difference between assistance and inaction, as well as suicide pacts.

The assisted suicide ban will expire 3 months after the commission reports, but no later than January 1, 1995.

### **Informed Consent**

Informed Consent legislation died in the House-Senate Conference Committee. Rep. Curtis Hertel of Detroit had been prolife and was considered a swing vote on the sixmember committee. Hertel had promised a delegation of Lifespan members and post-abortive women that he would support the bill.

In the meantime, Hertel was elected Speaker of the House.

On December 2, Hertel chose not to attend the Conference Committee hearing, although he was in the building at the time, and as a result the bill died. You may contact Hertel at 11750 Morang, Detroit 48224 or 881-0423.

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## Mother's Day Dinner

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### **Eugenics**

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public relations consultant suggested dropping "birth control" from the name. The name Planned Parenthood was adopted in 1942. It became an international organization, based in London. Margaret Sanger served as the honorary president of the International Planned Parenthood Federation.<sup>9</sup>

### THE NEGRO PROJECT

One of Margaret Sanger's first programs of national scope was to set up birth control clinics in Southern states, in areas populated primarily by blacks. The program was dubbed, "The Negro Project." The project proposal asserted,

"The mass of Negroes, particularly in the South, still breed carelessly and disastrously, with the result that the increase among Negroes, even more than among Whites, is from that portion of the population least intelligent and fit."

Margaret Sanger had a plan to avoid any opposition by Black Americans to this project. She wrote,

"The most successful education approach to the Negro is through a religious appeal... We do not want word to go out that we want to exterminate the Negro population and the minister is the man who can straighten out that idea if it ever occurs to any of the more rebellious members."

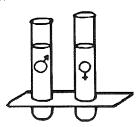
Clarence Gamble, an associate of Sanger's, concurred with her concerns. He noted that, "There is a great danger that we will fail because the Negroes think it is a plan for extermination. Hence lets (sic) appear to let the colored...run it..."

The success of Margaret Sanger's "Negro Project" is all too apparent today. Of course, Planned Parenthood's emphasis has shifted from birth control in general, to the specific birth control method of abortion. Today the rate of abortion for non-whites far outstrips the rate for whites.

The Centers For Disease Control's most recent Abortion Surveillance

(1988) shows that white women have 259 abortions for every 1000 live births. This ratio is much higher for black women and women of other minority races: 489 abortions for every 1000 live births.<sup>13</sup> This means that for every two black children born, one is aborted!

The Alan Guttmacher Institute. Planned Parenthood's research arm, reports that, "While white women account for 65% of all abortions, the non-white abortion rate is more than twice the white rate (57 vs 21 per 1000 women).14 This begins to make greater sense when one looks at the geographical placement of "birth control" clinics. A greater percentage of minority populations live in metropolitan areas. Most abortion clinics are located in metropolitan areas. According to Guttmacher, only 2% of all abortions took place outside of metropolitan areas in 1988.15



Looking at the situation on a smaller scale gives an even clearer picture of what is happening. "During the first 15 months' experience with abortion in New York City (after abortion was legalized), 43.4% of all abortions performed on New York City residents were performed on "non-whites"...this is put into even more tragic perspective when one realizes that only 18.1% of New York City residents are "non-white."

Abortion figures aside, Sanger's aim to "eliminate" certain "racial stocks" has had lasting impact on minorities in America. The sterilization rate among African Americans is 45% higher than among whites. Among Hispanics, the rate is 30% higher than for whites. As many as 42% of all American Indian women and 35% of all Puerto Rican women have been sterilized.<sup>17</sup>

### **EUGENICS TODAY**

Planned Parenthood's legacy of eugenics is still with us today. In the last couple of years articles written by "pro-choice" editorialists have once again raised the sinister specter of eugenics. In December of 1990, a Philadelphia *Inquirer* editorial urged paying black women to use a new "long-term contraceptive" to "reduce the underclass." <sup>18</sup>

Anthony Bouza, a columnist for the Star Tribune, wrote a column entitled. "A Mother's Day Wish: Make Abortion Available to All Women." In the article, he claimed that abortion is needed for "at risk" populations, whose offspring are "marked for failure." Bouza wrote, that when poor women deliver and keep their babies, they "plunk them in front of a TV set, watch them get abused and conditioned to violence by parades of males, and expose them to all the factors the criminologists describe as the precursors to a life of crime." Bouza's solution was to abort these potential criminals.19 Does this sound similar to Sanger's "elimination of dysgenic stock?"

Sanger's rhetoric of the past and the columnists' editorial opinions of today are nothing but euphemisms for the extermination of such unwanted populations as minorities and the poor. Today Planned Parenthood is still fond of euphemisms. Sanger's "eliminate stocks" has become "eliminate the products of conception." The former translates as genocide, the latter as the murder of an unborn child.

It is time for all strata of society to quit accepting the rhetoric, the euphemisms, and the manipulative semantics employed by Planned Parenthood. It is an organization with an agenda that does not bode well for mankind. All champions of the oppressed must choose to stand up for life. It is time to do the right thing.

"Cowardice asks the question, 'is it safe?'; expediency asks the question 'is it politic?'; vanity asks the question 'is it popular?'; but conscience asks the question 'is it right?', and there comes a time when one must take a position that is neither safe, nor politic, nor popular, but because—conscience tells one it is right."

-Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr.
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