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Could concern for the environment lead to coercive sterilization?

by Julian L. Simon

Tuning up for Earth Day, journalists and environmentalists blame[d] population growth for every supposed ill. Under the headline "People Pollution," Ellen Goodman recently wrote the usual: "The People Problem. It's as if we talked carbon-spewing cars without any drivers." And she calls for solving the "problem" by throwing more US money at "international family planning," which is a euphemism for population control. Another typical columnist, Hobart Rowen, weighs in with "Excessive peopling of the world is contributing to major environmental trauma, including famine, rain forest destruction, global warming, acid rain, pollution of air, water, overflow — and even to the AIDS epidemic."

The real problem, however, is not population growth but terminal ignorance, inadvertent or willful. I call this ignorance "terminal" because there seems no way that environmentalists and journalists will open their minds to the huge shift in the scientific consensus about these issues since the original Earth Day twenty years ago.

Today there is solid scientific proof that population growth does not hinder economic development, and does not cause resource depletion. As of 1990, there also is incontrovertible evidence that China and other countries have been using our money in programs that coerce people to have fewer children, including forced sterilizations. And this coercion is done in the name of the now-bankrupt intellectual doctrine that Ellen Goodman and others continue to purvey.

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In 1958, Ansley Coale and Edgar Hoover published Population Growth and Economic Development in Low-Income Countries, a new twist on the original Malthusian theory of capital dilution. That book served as the manual for American foreign-aid population policy from the 1960's until now.

By 1990, however, the economics profession has turned almost completely away from the previous view that population growth is a crucial negative factor in economic development. There is still controversy about whether population growth is even a minor negative factor in some cases, or whether it is beneficial in the long run. But there is no longer any support for the earlier view which was the basis for the US policy and then the policy of other countries.

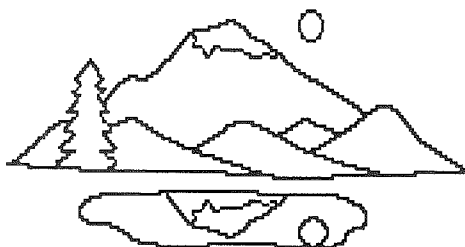
The World Bank for many years was the strongest and shrillest voice calling for reduction in the rate of population growth. In its 1984 *World Development Report*, though, the World Bank did a complete about-face and said that natural resources are not a reason to be concerned about population growth.

In 1986, the National Research Council and the National Academy of Sciences issued Population Growth and Economic Development. This book almost completely reversed a 1971 report on the same subject from the same institution. On the specific issue of raw materials that has been the subject of so much alarm, NRC-NAS concluded: "The scarcity of exhaustible resources is at most a minor constraint on economic growth."

Even though this U-turn is scientifically "official", there has been no public acknowledgment by the private and public agencies that have fostered population-control activities abroad — notably the Agency for International Development, the UN's Fund for Population Activities, The Population Council, and Planned Parenthood. AID has trimmed its population-control sails as slightly as possible, finding ingenious new ways to justify the same old activities.

So the US-abetted inhumanity continues. In 1989 the Washington Post carried a report by physician Blake Kerr, who worked in Tibet and with Tibetan refugees in India, documenting that the Chinese are killing newborn Tibetan babies. And the

Chinese government proudly brags about the tens of millions of couples in China whose human right to control their own bodies is abrogated by Chinese policies which include forced insertion of IUD's, routine X-ray surveillance to ensure that the IUD's have not been removed, banning childbearing among those said to be "psychotic," and forced sterilization of couples who have more than one child. Repeated official statements in Chinese journals right up to the present day are irrefutable corroboration that these practices not only occur but are established policy.



Until the 1950's, the United States would have nothing to do with population control abroad. Then we got rolling with a vengeance. The US pressure on less-developed countries to reduce birth rates began with India. Joseph Califano tells us that President Lyndon Johnson "repeatedly rejected the unanimous pleas of his advisors ... to ship wheat to the starving Indians during their 1966 famine. He demanded that the Indian government first agree to mount a massive birth control program."

Then came forced sterilization programs in India in the 1970's. For example, Government of India "motivated" employees with three children to undergo sterilization by threatening loss of subsidized housing, travel allowances, and free hospital treatment. Public outrage led to the downfall of Indira Gandhi in 1977.

Indonesia has been a showcase of group-pressure techniques, sponsored by AID. Planned Parenthood brags about its propaganda campaigns in Mexico. And now Africa is a major target for a variety of unsavory activities.

Please notice that we're not discussing true "family planning" services. Helping people achieve the family size they desire is a great human work. Many truly voluntary US programs are valuable and respect-worthy. But coercing couples to reduce fertility with force, bribery, or group pressure is something else.

Do you — especially you "pro-choice" readers — doubt that such coercion is odious and inhumane? Then imagine yourself being penalized by taxes and loss of your job if you refuse to have more children than you freely choose to have, or even being physically forced to bear more children.

It is time for population-control organizations and US government agencies — as well as such prominent population activists as ex-World Bank head Robert MacNamara, Planned Parenthood President Faye Wattleton, and Carl Sagan — to acknowledge their complicity in this tragedy. If they now renounce the faulty theories that they have promulgated, they can at least absolve themselves of further responsibility for the continuing inhumane coercive population control programs in Africa and other continents. The withdrawal of intellectual support might slow these programs. And the withdrawal of US government funds certainly would do so.

Why is the US promoting population control abroad? There are three main reasons: 1) humanitarian concern, 2) belief that lower birth rates in other countries are in the economic and political self-interest of the US, and 3) racism. It is difficult to determine which motive is operating in any particular instance, partly because racism is taboo nowadays and must operate in other guises. But only the three monkeys could continue to be unaware that skin color and intended (but misplaced) national self-interest are at the root of US "family-planning" activities abroad, along with misplaced humanitarian impulses.

It is long past time for those who hate coercion and who truly care about the rights of women to open their minds to the new scientific consensus that the doctrines on which these inhumane activities are based and justified are scientifically unfounded. If they fail to do so, they will have no ground for surprise if US zeal comes back to haunt us in the future, just as the sterilization issue brought down Indira Gandhi's government. Unless people like Ellen Goodman speak out, these disasters will be upon their heads. □

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Other Life News

Valium brings man out of 'vegetative state'

A man who was in a 'vegetative state' for 8 years unexpectedly woke up after being given a tranquilizer for routine dental work.

After the tranquilizer was administered, the man fell asleep for about 5 minutes. Then he woke up and started talking, answering questions, saying his name, feeding himself and walking.

Hours later the man lapsed back into his non-responsive state. A second dose brought him out of it for about 90 minutes. Doctors are trying to find a combination of drugs he can take orally to prevent a relapse into the 'vegetative state.' (*The Detroit News*, 3-28-90)

Abortions drop 22% since 1988

The first full year after a new state law banned taxpayer-financed abortions, abortions in Michigan fell by 22%.

36,557 abortions were performed in Michigan last year, 10,190 fewer than in 1988. There were 9950 more births than in 1988. (*The Detroit News*, 5-13-90)

Do teenage moms beget teenage moms?

The 20 year follow-up of children born to Baltimore teens in the mid-1960's shows that only about 1 in 3 daughters had babies before age 19. This refutes the popular belief that children of teenage mothers are destined to become teenage mothers themselves. (*USA Today*, 5-15-90)

Baby had surgery before birth

Doctors partially removed a 24-1/2 week fetus from the womb, rearranged its internal organs and returned it to the womb to continue developing, now as a normal, healthy baby.

Blake Schultz, now 10 months old, is thriving after the groundbreaking surgery. Without the surgery he had only a 10% chance of survival.

The surgery corrected a fetal diaphragmatic hernia, a severe birth defect that occurs in about one of every 2000 babies. During development a hole in the fetus' diaphragm fails to close, and the stomach, intestines and other organs squeeze into the chest cavity. As a result, the lungs are unable to develop, and when the baby is born, it cannot breathe.

During the surgery, doctors cut into the mother's uterus, and attached monitors to the fetus. Through an incision in the fetus, they put the misplaced organs back where they belonged, and patched the hole in the fetus' diaphragm. (*The Detroit Free Press*, 5-31-90)

Congress passes 'Americans with Disabilities' Act

The Americans with Disabilities Act passed the House by a wide margin last month, as only 20 representatives voted against it.

This law requires that any place licensed as a public facility must also be wheelchair accessible. It also prohibits discrimination in employment against persons with disabilities.

Massachusetts Planned Parenthood director resigns

Stanton Goldstein, troubled by a proposed amendment to the state Constitution in Massachusetts which would allow a woman to abort a fetus through the end of pregnancy, has resigned as medical director of Planned Parenthood of Greater Boston.

The proposed amendment would let women abort a fetus "at any time to protect her life or health or in case of rape or incest."

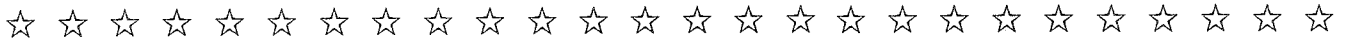
Since a fetus is able to live outside the womb around the end of the second trimester, Goldstein feels the amendment goes too far by allowing abortions during the third trimester of pregnancy. "I cannot support an amendment which legalizes destructive procedures of a healthy fetus in the third trimester."

He remains a Planned Parenthood staff doctor. (*USA Today*, 4-18-90)

Supreme Court refuses case on church exemption

A 10 year effort by pro-abortion advocates to strip the Roman Catholic Church of its tax-exempt status ended last month when the Supreme Court refused to hear the case.

The 1980 suit by the Abortion Rights Mobilization Inc., the National Women's Health Network Inc. and others charged that the church "engaged in a nationwide, persistent and regular pattern of intervening in elections" in favor of abortion opponents. (*The Detroit News*, 5-1-90)



Legislative

Addresses

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Dear Representative (last name):

HB 4016 could increase bias against persons with disabilities

The Michigan Handicapper Caucus (MHC) of the Michigan Democratic Party has charged that a proposed medical bill, HB 4016 could be used to promote patient neglect and medical discrimination which might have particular impact on racial minorities or the poor who do not understand their rights.

HB 4016 sets up procedures for patients to choose a "patient advocate" or agent to make medical decisions for them when they are unconscious or mentally incompetent to make their own. The law would allow the agent to remove medical treatment necessary to save a patient's life.

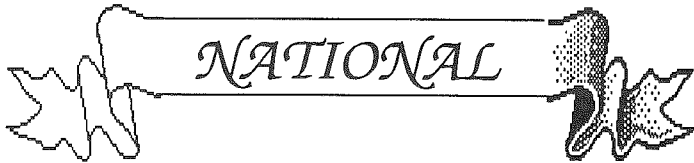
State Rep. David Hollister states that the purpose of HB 4016 is to allow agents to remove extraordinary medical treatment when patients have no hope. However, a MHC analysis of the bill charges that the agent, under the provisions of the law, could also remove ordinary treatment, such as insulin for diabetes or food and water, even when the patient has a good chance for recovery.

MHC said that limitations on an agent's power were "vague and general" and "opened the way for prejudices of individual judges" against the handicapped. It also contends that the bill has too few safeguards against individuals or institutions pressuring patients into picking a particular agent, especially when patients are poor, from racial minorities and are unaware of their rights.

The organization emphasizes that it is not opposed to allowing individuals the "right to die" but was concerned with weakening "established legal safeguards protecting individuals who want to live."

MHC seeks amendments which would (a) provide safeguards against intimidation in choosing an agent similar to those provided in the Miranda decision protecting criminal suspects and (b) prevent agents from removing ordinary treatment necessary for life unless a patient specifically requests it, stop any removal of natural food and water and stop removal of artificial feeding tubes unless the patient is doomed to die and the tubes cause unrelievable pain greater than hunger and thirst. (*Michigan Chronicle*, May 2-8, 1990)

Update



Freedom of Choice Act (HR 3700, S1912)

This bill would prohibit any restrictions on abortion prior to fetal viability (around 23 weeks). After viability, the bill would grant women an abortion for "health" reasons (the Supreme Court has ruled that "health" includes any factor pertinent to a woman's "well being"). Thus, in practical terms, the bill would bar states from placing restrictions on abortion at any point during pregnancy.

Write or call your Congressional representatives in Washington urging them to OPPOSE this bill.

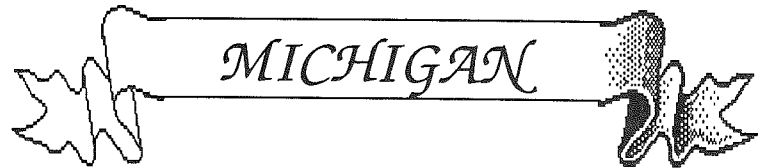
Family Planning Act (S110, HR 930)

Although Lifespan takes no position on contraception, we do oppose federal funding of organizations which promote abortion as a family planning option. Planned Parenthood affiliates currently receive about \$30 million a year under Title X of the Public Health Service Act. These bills would extend the Title X program for 4 more years at increased funding levels.

Urge your Congressional representative in Washington to oppose these bills unless they are amended to protect the prolife Title X regulations, and to prohibit the use of Title X funds for school-based clinics and for research on abortifacients (such as RU 486).

“Citizens for Parents’ Rights” Deadline Approaches

The campaign to restore to parents and teenagers the appropriate protections and rights they deserve continues. The initiative drive requires that a total of 191,726 registered voters sign the petition to bring the Parental Rights Restoration Act back to the state legislature. We are asking that all petitions be returned to the Lifespan office by JUNE 20.



Patient Advocate Bill (HB 4016)

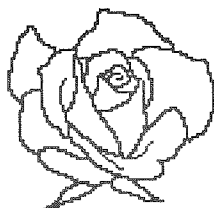
A strategy change in regard to Right to Life's approach on this bill involved the threat that a victory on the Van Regenmorter amendment might kill the bill. In the past, whenever the bill was in position for a prolife victory, the bill's sponsor moved to see that the bill did not advance. RTL opted to withdraw the Van Regenmorter amendment, allowing the bill to pass the House, to establish a strong position for moving the bill through the Senate where prolife protections are expected to be added.

Urge your state rep and senator in Lansing to add the prolife protections for food and fluids.

Living Will Bill (HB 4174)

In the past, sponsors of this bill have linked it with HB 4016 to maintain control over which bill was in position for passage. If the Living Will was in place for a possible vote, it would provide the pro-death forces with a leveraging tool when we move a prolife version of HB 4016 into position for final passage. The Living Will bill was therefore referred back to the Judiciary committee to prevent further consideration while deliberations continue on HB 4016.

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Chapter

Summer fairs

We are now organizing our summer fairs. Please check with your city or township and find out where and when the fairs will be in your community. Try to get space for a booth and then call our office. We will gather materials and assistance. This is an excellent place for Parental Rights petition signatures.

Oakland County Chapter REGIONAL MEETING!!!

"Adoption"

June 28th
7:30 pm

312 Border
Lake Orion

Help wanted!

The Oakland County Chapter is currently looking for a membership chairman and a part-time secretary. If you are interested in either of these positions, please call Diane Fagelman, 674-3388.

Oakland County Chapter
203 Washington Square Plaza
Royal Oak, MI 48067-3845
(313) 545-8088

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Westland Mall Craft Bazaar

Once more we will have a craft booth at Westland Center's Community Bazaar. It will be held September 28-30, 1990, so we are asking now that you begin making your wonderfully unique crafts for Lifespan as you have in the past. During the summer months is a good time to begin being "crafty."

Rummage sale

Cindy Gauvin and Laurie Masiarak, two of our most experienced rummagers, will have a sale for Lifespan, Sept. 7-8. Start saving good resalable crafts, tools, household items, etc. Sorry, no clothing accepted. Pick-up available, 565-2246.

If you have nice baby clothes or baby furniture (especially cribs) call AAA Crisis Pregnancy directly at 425-8060.

Festivals, fairs, etc.

If you know of any festivals, fairs, bazaars, etc. in your church or city, ask if Lifespan can have an educa-

tional booth. We have beautiful fetal models, tapes, videos, books and literature for display. We are primarily an educational organization and this is a great way to meet the public. Please call 422-6230.

Bowling for Life

Our 8th Annual Bowling for Life FUNdraiser will be on Sunday, July 29, Woodland Lanes, Livonia, 2-5 pm. Good family fun and great prizes. Watch your mail for further details. Sponsor sheets available, 422-6230.

Telechain reinstated!

Often, immediate action is necessary by our members if we are to be successful on certain pieces of legislation. Sometimes we only have hours to contact our legislators regarding prolife amendments or prolife bills vs. proabortion or proeuthanasia bills. It is impossible for our office to call the entire membership (although we've tried on many occasions). However, we can start the chain which will be forwarded to each city and the telechain members will contact Lan-

sing or Washington immediately. Legislators will soon know us as a very powerful lobbying group in southeastern Michigan.

JUNE GENERAL MEETING

"In vitro fertilization"
John W. Vincent M.D.

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Methodist Church
23705 Plymouth Rd.
Redford
(1 Block east of Telegraph)

Thursday, June 28
7:30 pm

Wayne County, West Chapter
27578 Schoolcraft
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Thank you!

A hearty thank you to all those who helped in the recent sale of Mother's Day roses. We appreciate your dedication.

Office hours

M, Th 10-2 pm
TWF Closed

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(313) 874-0432

Brain storming session

On Thursday, June 28th at 7:30 pm we are planning a special brain storming session here at the Downriver office to consider new ways and better means to educate the Downriver area regarding life issues. We encourage all of you who have any new (or old) ideas to participate. We'll have coffee, donuts, fellowship and hopefully come away with new ideas, directions and renewed enthusiasm. Let us hear from you at 374-5111 on Mon, Wed or Thurs 10-3 pm if you're planning to attend.

Resources

Remember if you have a special need for information or resources on abortion or other life issues, we have a great lending library here with the latest articles and news stories. If you want to educate your social group, class, club or church we have some very fine videos and movies or we can provide an excellent speaker free of charge. These are all excellent resources just waiting for you.

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Taylor, MI 48180-4247
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Treasurer needed!

RTL - Lifespan has an immediate opening for treasurer of the corporation. This volunteer position requires an accounting background. For an interview please call Ann Thomas at the Main Office, 261-2757.

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From the President's desk

My life has been deeply touched by three different incidents in the last few weeks.

My brother, Chris, and his wife, Jean, drove to Washington from Florida for Rally 90 in April. They've only been active in the prolife movement less than a year, but they are very committed. Jean was pregnant at the Rally, but last week she lost the baby. This was their third miscarriage. Chris and Jean have a wonderful little daughter, my godchild, Nancy, who desperately needs a sister or brother. Now they are looking into adopting a special needs child.

I met a young man named Ron in Washington. He was a new member of Right to Life - Lifespan. The Rally was his first real experience in the prolife movement, even though he has always been prolife. He was adopted and was thankful to the mother who raised him and to the mother who gave him life.

This week I had a phone call from the mother of a critically ill young woman. This young woman is five months pregnant and refuses to have an abortion even though it is jeopardizing her own health. The doctors cannot treat her cancer while she is pregnant and have urged her to have the abortion. Her mother said to me, "My daughter read your literature and is doing everything to protect her baby."

These three stories, while separate, are also connected. It's because they are stories of love, and sacrifice and courage. But even more importantly, they are examples of people new to the prolife movement, dedicated people who are the grassroots, the life blood. They are the very reason the prolife movement will ultimately succeed in this war for life.

We are winning.

Ann S. Thomas

Sanger

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Realizing that the time was not yet ripe for a clinic, Margaret began publishing a magazine, the *Birth Control Review*, whose byline read, "To Create A Race of Thoroughbreds." Influential authors such as H.G. Wells, Pearl Buck, and Karl Menninger wrote articles for the Review, boosting Margaret's renown. By 1922 her popularity was so great that she published *The Pivot of Civilization*. This book openly proclaimed her eugenic aims. She called the poor and immigrants "reckless breeders" who were "unceasingly spawning [a] class of human beings who never should have been born at all."⁴ She railed against unchecked reproduction by certain races, calling it "the gradual but certain attack upon the stocks of intelligence and racial health by the sinister forces of the hordes of irresponsibles and imbeciles."⁵ She called for the elimination of "human weeds," an end to charity, the segregation of "morons, misfits, and the maladjusted," and the sterilization of "genetically inferior races."⁶ "Our civilization has bred, is breeding, and is perpetuating constantly increasing numbers of defectives, delinquents and dependents."⁷

A new spouse

That same year Margaret was courted by millionaire J. Noah Slee. At first she resisted his marriage proposals, believing that "the marriage bed is the most degenerating influence in the social order."⁸ But the lure of 9 million dollars proved too much for her. Prior to the wedding, however, Margaret presented Slee with a prenuptial agreement stipulating that she would be free to come and go as she pleased with no questions asked. She would maintain her own apartment within the home, entertain friends of her own choosing. Slee would have to phone in advance even to have

dinner with her. Reluctantly Slee agreed. She boasted to her lovers that the marriage would make little difference in her life, except for the money.⁹

Now with almost unlimited financial resources, she doubled her efforts for her cause. In 1923 she opened a clinic, "The Margaret Sanger Clinical Research Bureau," smuggling in diaphragms from Holland. She secured foundational grants, testified in Washington for liberalization of contraceptive prescriptive laws, and staged an international birth control conference in Geneva. She spoke frequently to all different types of groups, sharing among other things her belief that abstinence from sex was "positively harmful to health."¹⁰



But after every victory, Margaret collapsed in poor health and depression. She searched in vain for something to satisfy the deep longings of her heart. She tried astrology, subscribing to a personal horoscope by Evangeline Adams. She tried numerology, religious cults, travel, sex.¹¹ She became preoccupied with her health, and tried many crank diets and health treatments to "purge" her system. But nothing satisfied, and she would throw herself into her next project to drown out the emptiness.

A new image

Margaret openly endorsed the euthanasia, sterilization, abortion and infanticide programs of the early Reich in Nazi Germany. In the Review she published articles which echoed the Aryan-White Supremacist rhetoric. She even commissioned Dr. Ernst Rudin,

director of the Nazi medical experimentation programs, to write for the Review. Later, however, as the atrocities of the Reich became known, Margaret realized the need to separate her movement from the backlash of public opinion. Since the term "birth control" conjured up images of the Nazi programs, she redeemed her public image by renaming her organization "Planned Parenthood," a name with clean, wholesome, family-oriented overtones.

Now she began an aggressive affiliation program, bringing hundreds of local and regional birth control leagues under the umbrella of this national organization. This enabled Margaret to draw on the integrity and respectability of these grassroots organizations. Later she organized various national organizations under an international organization, the International Planned Parenthood Federation. Eventually Margaret's brilliant strategy and unceasing efforts won for her and for Planned Parenthood the admiration and respect of virtually the entire nation.

These tremendous successes did little to ease the ache of her perpetual unhappiness. She continued her promiscuous affairs. By 1949 she had become addicted to both drugs and alcohol.¹² She became senile, and died in a nursing home in September, 1966, just short of her 87th birthday.

Her moral legacy, however, lives on. □

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The Caring Corner

Card showers for 7-yr-old...

Craig Shergold is a seven year old boy with a brain tumor and very little time to live. It is Craig's ambition to have an entry in the Guinness Book of World Records for the largest number of GET WELL CARDS ever received by an individual. Remember, TIME IS OF THE ESSENCE! Please send your card to (postage is 45 cents per 1/2 ounce):

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Refer injured aborted women

If you know of anyone who has been injured in any way due to an abortion process (i.e. physically, psychologically, incomplete or failed abortion, infertility), have them contact attorney Joseph W. Larkin, 3000 Town Center, Suite 1010, Southfield, MI 48075, (313) 354-4490 for a free consultation.

...and a 17-yr-old

Sally (not her real name) is a local 17 year old, 5 months pregnant, who is suffering from a progressive, life-threatening disease. Her physicians advise abortion so that they may treat this disease. Sally refuses to abort her child, even at the risk of her own life.

If you would like to send her a note of encouragement, please address it to Sally, c/o Right to Life - Lifespan, 27578 Schoolcraft, Livonia, MI 48150. We will forward all letters to her.

Sister to sister

The Sister to Sister program is looking for women to be mentors to teenage girls in the tri-county area, especially in Detroit. Some of the teens are mothers. All are girls who could benefit from a positive role model. Volunteers must be 21 yrs old, have a high school diploma, have stable lives and be willing to meet with a teen weekly for at least a year. Call Jean Butler at 569-1811 during business hours.

Volunteers honored at General Meeting

The following volunteers each were awarded the Lifespan volunteer pin in appreciation for their tireless efforts on behalf of the unborn.

Betty Carzon, June Cummins, Marge Elkins, Donna Flax, Kathy Garcia, Russell Hesch, Susan Lockman, Rev. Thomas McAnoy, Deacon Joe Mouro, Marilou Mozdzen, Claire O'Connell, Shirley O'Connell, Gerry Penxa, Ann Marie Podlaski, Mary Jo Raftery, Mary Ryan, Sister Marilyn Schneider, Debbie Vassar, Carol Zwolinski were recognized at the Annual General Meeting.

Thank you so much for your faithful, diligent work!

Lifespan Member Maureen McClorey is the winner of the trip to the 1991 March for Life in Washington D.C. on January 22nd. Congratulations, Maureen!

Give to the Annual Fund!

100 Century Club

Many thanks to those who have donated to the Annual Fund. The following is a list of contributors of \$100 or more as of May 31. These are charter members of the Right to Life - Lifespan Century Club.

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Calendar

JUNE 28 Wayne West General Meeting
"In vitro fertilization"

Parkway Heights Free Methodist Church,
23705 Plymouth Rd., 1 block east of Tele graph, 7:30 pm

JUNE 28 Oakland County Regional Meeting
"Adoption"

312 Border, Lake Orion, 7:30 pm

AUGUST 7 Primaries - Don't forget to VOTE!

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Frequent Knappers

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Thanks to all of you! Keep 'em coming! We're working on a copier for the Detroit chapter office.

Right to Life - Lifespan of Metro Detroit Membership Form

Right to Life - Lifespan believes that human life has value in all stages of development from conception until natural death, and is committed to speaking on behalf of those who cannot speak for themselves - the unborn, the aged, the incapacitated. Won't you please help in our struggle to preserve respect for innocent human life? A contribution brings you the monthly newsletter as well as educational materials and special mailings.

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Is Margaret Sanger a Heroine or Villain?

by Jill Slater

Part 2 of a two-part series on the life and beliefs of Planned Parenthood founder, Margaret Sanger. Last month's article left off with Margaret in England, where she fled to escape trial for distribution of obscene materials. The year was 1914.

Once in England, Margaret began to practice her ideals of unfettered sex, "the conscious careful selection of a lover that is the mate, if only for an hour." To her many lovers she was always hungry for sex and attention.¹ This was undoubtedly one reason for her keen interest in birth control. Through her new friends she became especially interested in the Neo-Malthusians. These disciples of Thomas Malthus believed that the survival of Western civilization depended on the elimination of the unfit. Though Malthus argued for the spread of disease to accomplish these ends, his disciples generally embraced the use of contraception, sterilization, and abortion. Margaret immersed herself in Malthusian dogma, including eugenics, the study of how to improve races by controlling breeding.

During this time Margaret began her unusual relationship with Havelock Ellis. Although the author of

almost 50 books on every aspect of sexual experience and deviancy, Ellis was sexually impotent. He staged orgies for his Malthusian and eugenicist friends, watched his wife participate in lesbian affairs, and experimented with hallucinatory drugs. Margaret adored him, saying, "I have never felt about any

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born at all"*

other person as I do about Havelock Ellis. To know him has been a bounteous privilege; to claim him friend my greatest honor."²

Ellis helped Margaret understand that her movement needed respectability to be accepted. She had to replace her revolutionary Socialistic themes with the intellectual themes of Malthus and eugenics. With Ellis' assistance, Margaret planned her strategy, and returned

to America to face the charges against her.

Soon thereafter in November, 1915, Margaret's 4-year-old daughter Peggy became ill and died. Margaret grieved deeply, and attended seances and Rosicrucian meetings desperately hoping for a message from Peggy. She became even more driven to fight for birth control, saying this was the weapon she would have liked to place in Peggy's hands.³

Only a month after Peggy's death, Margaret resumed her life-long struggle. Following a highly successful public relations campaign, authorities dropped all legal charges still pending against her. In the wake of the publicity she launched a cross country speaking tour, demanding the emancipation of women, and an end to the proliferation of the "defective." Later that year Margaret opened her first birth control clinic. She located the clinic in an area of New York populated by new immigrants, practicing her new Malthusian beliefs. Authorities closed the clinic within two weeks, and Margaret spent 30 days in the workhouse for distributing obscene materials and recommending dangerous medical procedures.

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