

Low Birth Rate Accompanied by Lengthened Life

Drop in New Babies Said by London Lecturer Not to Lessen Population of Nations.

London, April 21.—One of Britain's experts on questions of population shows that the facts are against the modern demand for an increased birth-rate. In France a campaign with the motto "Have more children" is being carried on with state support, and in England soldiers and clergymen have for several years been calling on mothers to have more babies.

J. C. Flugel, senior lecturer in philosophy and psychology, university of London, declares not only that such efforts are useless, but that positive harm will follow in their train.

A moment's consideration, he says, must show that the increase or decrease of population must depend not upon the birth rate alone, but (in addition to the factors of emigration and immigration) upon the difference between the birth rate and the death rate. If the death rate is higher than the birth rate, the population is declining; if, on the other hand, the births exceed the deaths, the population is increasing, and increasing by just the amount of the difference between the two.

Again, a rise or fall in the birth rate does not necessarily imply a corresponding rise or fall of population; the simultaneous movements of the death rate must first be examined.

Birth and Death Rates.

A study of birth rates and death rates over a considerable period reveals the existence of a strong tendency for the two in the birth rate to move in the same direction in many civilized countries, to be accompanied by a corresponding fall in the death rate, with the result that population has gone on increasing as rapidly as before.

Since 1876 there has taken place a steady decline in the birth rate, being accompanied by an approximately equal (if anything slightly larger) decline in the death rate.

This tendency is revealed with even more startling clearness by the figures for a single town, Berlin, where the movements in the birth rate have been more marked, and where the statistics were probably more than usually accurate.

Diagrams could be constructed for nearly all the principal civilized countries (including Great Britain), all showing the same general tendency for a fall in the birth rate to be compensated by a fall in the death rate.

Ontario Instanced.

Most interesting of all in this respect are the figures for Ontario, which show, first a fall in the birth rate (up to 1905), and then a rise, this fall and rise being accompanied by a closely corresponding fall and rise in the death rate. This indicates clearly that movements of the death rate in either direction are intimately dependent on movements of the birth rate, and that the decline of the death rate is really due to the lower birth rate and not, as might at first be supposed, to the advance of hygiene and medicine.

It should scarcely be necessary to point out that this law of correspondence between birth and death rates is of the utmost importance for human welfare. It indicates that the declining birth rate has brought the incalculable benefits implied by a lower death rate (signifying, as this does, a longer average duration of life and generally more prosperous and healthy conditions of existence), without diminishing the increase of population. It shows also the futility of attempting to increase the birth rate, as is now being done in France and Turkey. All that is to be expected from this attempt (should it—unhappily for France or Turkey—succeed) is an increase in poverty and disease and a shorter average duration of life, without any appreciable increase of population.

In the last resort it is, in the overwhelming majority of cases, food and health that determine population, and it is worse than useless for a country to endeavor to increase its numbers faster than its economic resources will permit.

Boy Scouts Hold Rally.

Dispatch to The Omaha Bee.
Omaha, Neb., April 21.—Ninety-five Boy Scouts of Omaha and Neighbors gathered for the first time in Boy Scout camp here during the district council camp which will come to a close Sunday.

Bank Pastor Resigns.

Dispatch to The Omaha Bee.
Omaha, Neb., April 21.—Rev. Ira H. Johnson, pastor of the Christian church, has tendered his resignation effective June 1. Mr. Carney had a call from Red Oak, Ia.

Apillion Notes

Mobile of John Boling and Edward...
First Methodist church. They...
The General Supply Co. was...
A large crowd of her school...
The evening was spent in play...
After which refreshments were...
The Ladies Auxiliary...
Mrs. Marshall purchased the corner...
The Charles Behrendt residence...
Mrs. John P. Schram of...
Mrs. Brown will commence work...
The erection of a new home of...
Mr. and Mrs. Otto Kremke visited...
Mr. and Mrs. Will Bolin and...
Mrs. Beadle of Sheridan, Wyo., were...
The William Maxfield returned...
The Omaha hospital, where he had...
Mrs. H. Cain has purchased the...
The new home.

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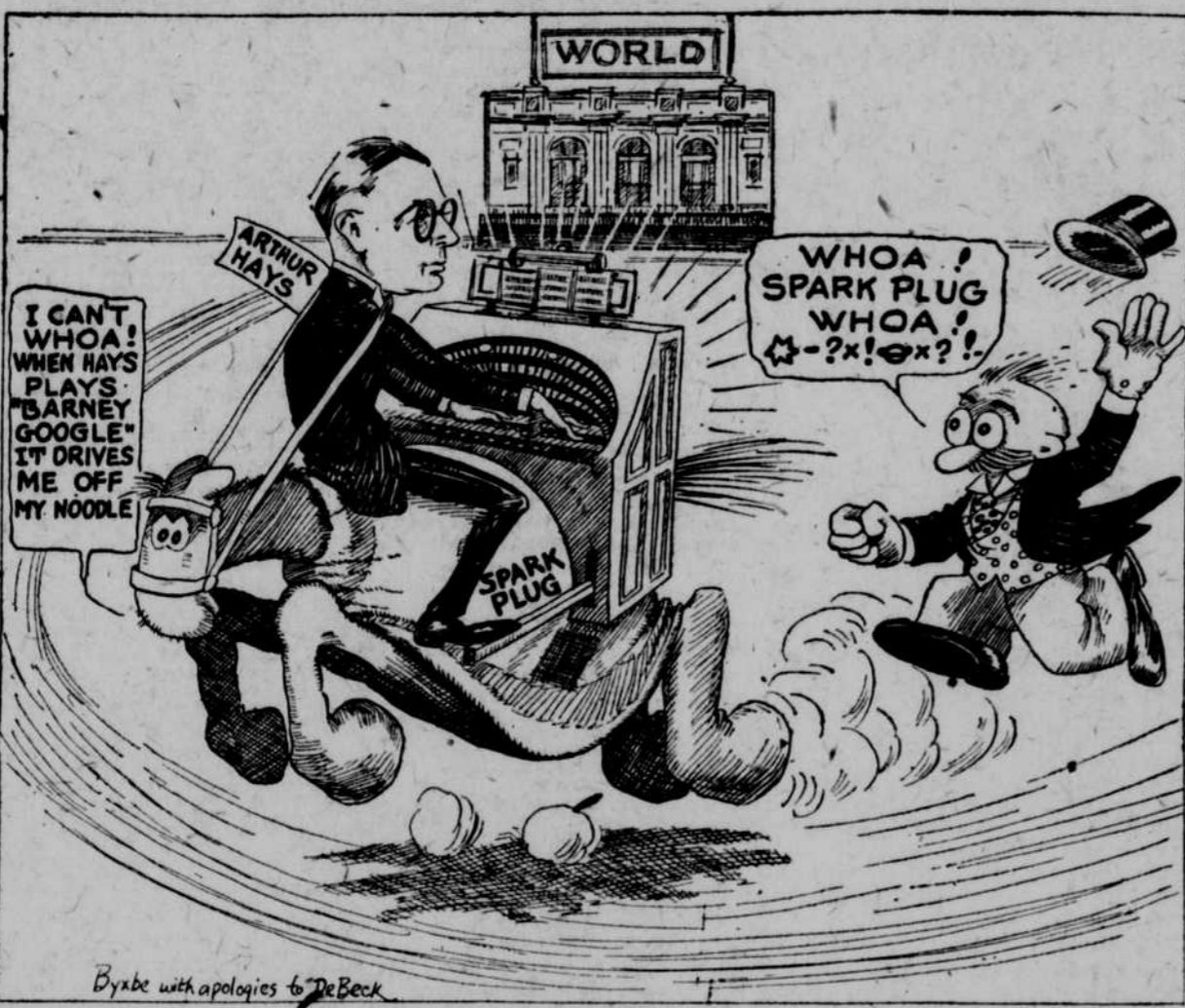
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Barney and Sparky in "Laugh Handicap"



Barney Google and the immortal Sparky Plug are entered in the first annual "laugh week" handicap at the World theater next week with everything but the ticket seller's lipstick on Sparky's delicately chisled nose. Just to celebrate the event, Arthur Hays, organizer, will introduce to Omaha movie fans the new Barney Google song, just off the press, and which is sweeping over the country on a wave of popularity similar to that which has fixed the DeBeck comic in the hearts of American fun-lovers.

"Barney Google, with his Goo-Goo-Googly Eyes," the refrain begins. The music has a lilt and swing which makes it eminently whistleable, and the lyrics are good for a flock of cacklingtons.

Sparky will be at the wire Saturday when Mr. Hays dusts off his organ bench preparatory to introducing the new roundelay.

And here's Barney himself, as Cartoonist Lyman Byrbe conceives the matter, hitting on all four cylinders in order not to be late to the party.

The Omaha Bee Information Bureau

Through our Washington Information Bureau The Omaha Bee will answer direct to the reader any question of fact, with the exception of medical, legal, love and marriage subjects, or any subject requiring extended research.

Simply write your question as plainly and briefly as possible and mail to The Omaha Bee Information Bureau, 4035 New Hampshire Avenue, Washington, D. C., enclosing a 2-cent stamped, addressed envelope for reply. Be sure to write your name and address plainly on the return envelope.

In response to numerous requests for information on removing corns, preventing perspiration and care of the feet, The Omaha Bee Information Bureau has secured the instructions which the United States navy uses in caring for the feet of its men. These instructions tell how to trim the nails, how to make a painless corn remover, treatment of blisters and remedying excessive and foul perspiration of the feet.

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Cabinet Members.

Q.—Who composes the cabinet at present?
A.—Charles E. Hughes, secretary of state; Andrew W. Mellon, secretary of the treasury; John W. Weeks, secretary of war; Harry M. Daugherty, attorney general; Harry S. New, postmaster general; Edwin Denby, secretary of the navy; Hubert Work, secretary of the interior; Henry C. Wallace, secretary of agriculture; Herbert Hoover, secretary of commerce, and James J. Davis, secretary of labor.

Lord's Prayer.

Q.—Where do we find the Lord's prayer in the Bible?
A.—Matthew 6, verses 9 to 13.

Energy Used for Balloons.

Q.—What kind of gas or energy is used to make balloons ascend?
A.—For ordinary exhibition purposes, smoke or heat is used, but for dirigibles hydrogen is generally used. Hydrogen is the lightest known substance being 14.12 times lighter than air and 11.69 times lighter than water. Coal gas has also been used successfully in balloons. Coal gas is two to three times lighter than air.

Granulated Sugar.

Q.—How long has granulated sugar been used?
A.—About 40 years. Previous to that time, brown sugar was in general use.

Round Bubbles.

Q.—Why are bubbles always round?
A.—Because the air or gas of which they are composed always exerts an equal pressure in all directions.

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Nicotine-less Smokes Follow Beer-less Beer

Syracuse Man Invents Method Removing Kick from Tobacco After Years of Research.

Binghamton, N. Y., April 21.—And now they're going to take the kick out of tobacco.

Nicotine-less smokes are scheduled to follow beer-less beer.

Frank D. Reynolds of this city, is named as the man who is making this possible. Reynolds is the inventor of a formula for the removal of nicotine from tobacco. An invention which promises to completely revolutionize the world's tobacco industry in time.

The research work which led to the ultimate discovery of the wonderful formula was begun in 1877 in this city. Years of extensive research and experiment, followed by a second trip to Germany in quest of a separation of one chemical which affected the oil in tobacco leaf, brought the perfection of the formula.

The introduction of the process of neutralizing the nicotine of tobacco into the tobacco industry of America is almost inevitable. Prohibition, which legally eliminated the intoxicating beverages, will next turn its attention to the cigar and the cigarette, the nicotine in which is considered to be the second deadliest poison, it is believed.

Nicotine-less cigarettes and cigars cannot possibly be prohibited by law, and thus the career of smoking is granted a definite permanency. With a French tobacco mart open to American ideas through the present negotiations for the purchase of the French tobacco monopoly by the Wheeling-Duke-Lyman tobacco interests, the experiment of the formula in this country is not altogether improbable.

Brief City News

Dr. Weerne Back—Dr. Frederick Weerne returned Saturday morning from Rochester, Minn., where he has been attending Mayo Brothers clinic.

Kings to California—Albert King, for 23 years with Hayden Brothers, will motor shortly to Englewood, Cal., where his family will make their future home.

Philosophical Address—Dr. W. E. Stof will address the members of the Omaha Philosophical society Sunday afternoon at 3 in room 302 Patterson building, Seventeenth and Farnam streets, on "Orthodontia and Its Bearing on Child Life." The meeting will be public.

Inventor of Billiards.

Q.—Who invented billiards?
A.—The inventor of billiards is not definitely known. It is claimed to be both of Spanish and Italian origin and was known as far back as 1674.

Location for Mignonette.

Q.—Should mignonette be planted in the sun or shade?
A.—It thrives best when planted where it will get the sun most of the day.

Rice Waffles.

Q.—Could you give me a good recipe for rice waffles?
A.—The following recipe is furnished by the federal office of home economics: One cup of cooked rice, 1-2 cup wheat flour, 1 teaspoon salt, 1-2 teaspoon baking powder, 2-4 cup sweet milk, 3 eggs, 1 teaspoon butter. Put the rice through a coarse sieve, sift the flour, salt and baking powder together, then add the milk, the yolks of eggs, the rice, the melted butter and finally fold in the beaten egg whites.

Guarantee Fund Commission List Not Yet Completed

Lincoln, April 21.—Governor Bryan said today he had not completed his list of appointees on the guarantee fund commission which he is authorized to select under the provisions of the new state banking law. He hopes to submit the names of seven bankers to the senate next Tuesday and ask for their confirmation. Several names have been submitted to the governor, but he has not indicated whether he will appoint any of those recommended. Among those mentioned are: H. K. Frantz of Eagle, E. J. Dempster of Geneva, C. F. Gurd of Blue Hill, Van E. Peterson of Curtis, Jesse C. McNish of Sidney, E. A. Tramm of Stella, Ed B. Gallagher of O'Neill, J. L. Cleary of Grand Island and J. A. Boyd of Kearney.

Santa Fe Will Not Participate in Consolidation Hearing

Ponca City, Okla., April 21.—The Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe railroad will not participate in the railroad consolidation hearing at Fort Worth, Tex., next week or in any of the other hearings scheduled to take place in the west, according to Edward Chambers of Chicago, vice president in charge of traffic, who was here today en route to Texas on an inspection trip.

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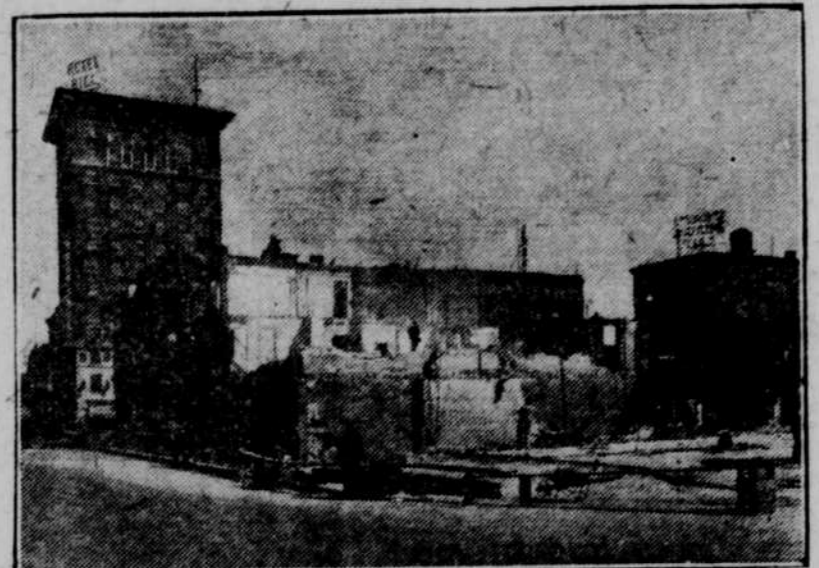
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Building Razed to Make Way for New Structure



The wrecked building shown in this picture is the one being torn down on Howard street between Sixteenth and Seventeenth to make way for the new \$800,000 office building which the Cook Brothers of Chicago will erect there this year.

The old building, except the west end of it, was erected about 35 years ago by John Ledgwick and Charles F. Shaw, who in 1885 leased the ground for 99 years from the Cook estate.

Ledgwick & Shaw kept the building only a few years, selling it about 30 years ago along with their lease to Wright & Lasbury.

In 1919 Wright & Lasbury conveyed the building and the lease back to the Cook estate which had purchased the ground in 1882.

The lease which Ledgwick & Shaw made in 1885 contained a revaluation clause which required reappraisal every five years. This clause, according to realtors, made the lease unattractive to both the lessee and lessor because of the difficulties that would arise at every re-appraisal date.

When the east portion of the building was erected by Lasbury & Shaw, the space above the ground floor consisted of residence apartments. These were changed several years ago into offices.

Chester A. and Raymond C. Cook, who are erecting the new office building, expect to have the Sixteenth street stores ready for occupancy by November and the remainder of the stores by about the first of January.

Dialect Comedian on Noonday Club Program

Bryng Bryngelson, Swedish dialect comedian and humorist, will appear before the Noonday club at its twelfth annual banquet Thursday.

Professor Bryngelson is head of the department of speech at Hanover college, Indiana.

John L. Kennedy will deliver the principal address, "Sailing West." Miss Esther Johnson, Rev. Albin N. Osterholm and J. David Larson will also speak.

Vocal quartet numbers and community singing under the directions of Prof. Fritz Carlson will constitute the musical program.

Reservations totaling 250 have been made, and a number of out-of-town guests are expected.

Judge Brandeis Refuses Stay in Bankruptcy Case

Washington, April 21.—Justice Brandeis of the United States supreme court tonight refused to stay an order of Federal Judge Mack of New York, which would give to the trustees of E. M. Fuller & Co., defunct stock brokers, all of the books and accounts of the company.

William J. Fallon, counsel for Fuller, announced he would go before the full session of the supreme court on Monday and ask for a writ of error on Judge Mack's decision and apply for a stay of execution pending hearing of the writ appeal.

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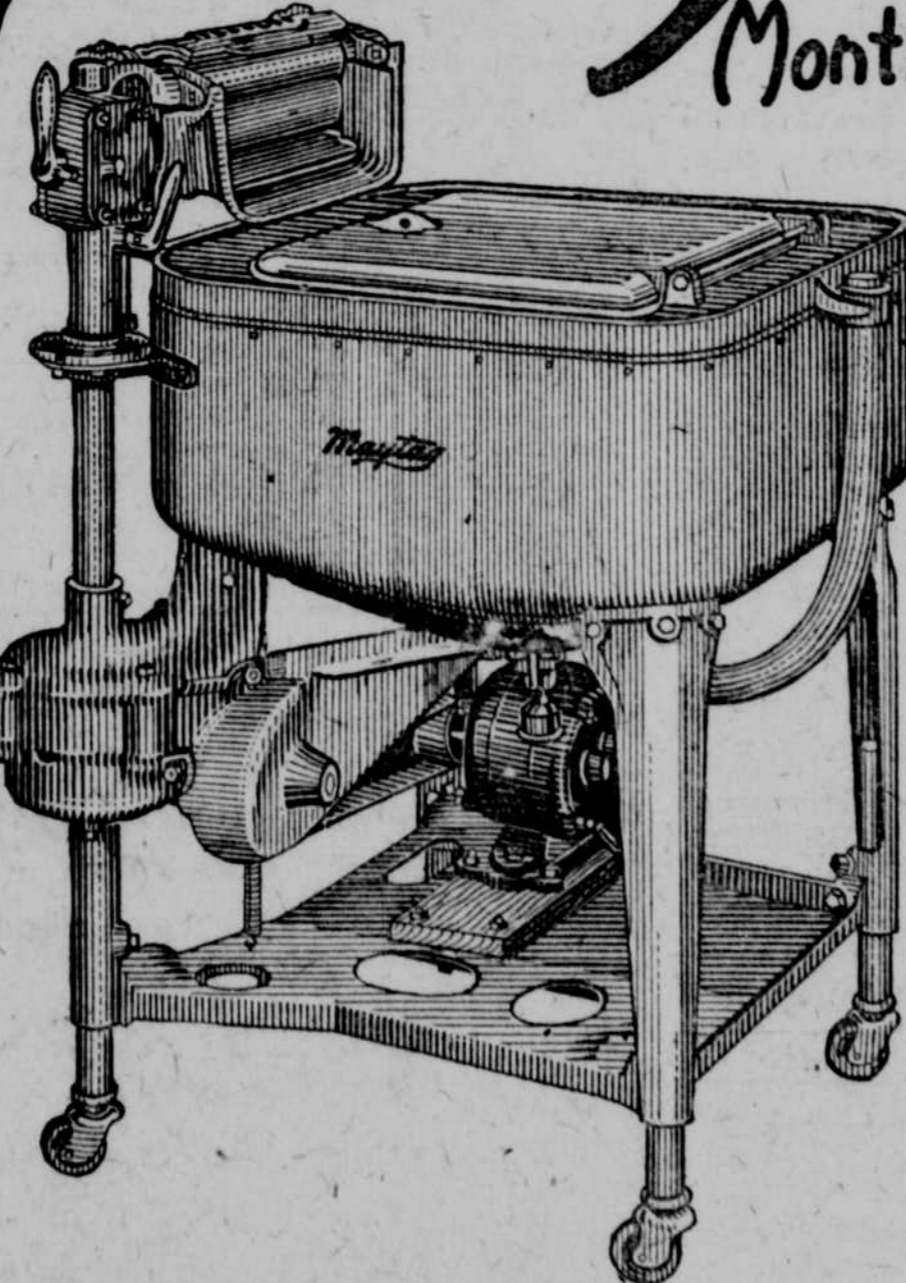


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