

URGES PATRIOTISM BAR RACE SUICIDE

Darwin's Son Favors More Children for Parents With Higher Qualities

LIMIT LOWLIER FAMILIES

New York, Sept. 26.—Practical measures by some students to improve races, such as the sterilization of criminals by the X-ray, the promotion of larger families among healthy, becoming parents, and the limitation of the stock and limitation among others, were discussed at Saturday's session of the International Congress of Eugenics in the American Museum of Natural History.

Major Leonard Darwin, a son of the author of "The Descent of Man," urged the experimental use of the X-ray, with the consent of the subject, to prevent descendants from the feeble-minded and habitual criminals. He suggested segregation for the wastrel, the habitual drunkard and "the work-shy" to prevent the transmission of their traits to future generations.

Major Darwin also urged that the sound and fit and superior couples should, by a campaign of patriotism, be induced to raise larger families. "At all deterioration seems evident among all highly civilized peoples," he said, because of the thinning out of the descendants of highly endowed stock and the multiplication of those of inferior endowment.

The only efficient corrective which Major Darwin could think of, he said, was an appeal to patriotism.

Urges Patriotic Appeal
"What is necessary is to make it deeply and widely felt that it is both immoral and unpatriotic for couples sound in mind and body to unduly limit the size of their families," he added.

Major Darwin discussed State policies toward bounties for large families. He said that some good results might be achieved in this way, but that the subject was extremely difficult because of the danger that premiums on parenthood would increase the families which should be limited and not affect those which should be increased.

Major Darwin said that he would encourage limitation among families in such circumstances that the children did not have a fair chance of healthy growth and education. He said that the problem of dealing with very large families having very small incomes was extremely difficult, but added:

"I can only suggest that State and charitable aid should never be given in such profusion as to prevent the appearance of such additional child from causing additional financial strain on the household."

"I hardly know what to suggest, in the case of those who, in spite of this pressure, persist in procreation under evil surroundings and perhaps for the present we should concentrate attention on the attempt to secure a general approval of the desire to lessen the output of children in such circumstances."

Discusses Use of X-Ray
He advocated special taxes on the unmarried and the childless, and said that the feeble minded in the United States numbered between 300,000 and 400,000. He affirmed that all who had studied the

problem agreed that these should be segregated, especially when their natural protectors could not care for them, and be prevented from becoming parents. He called attention to the experiments of the American Stock Breeders' Association in using the X-ray for sterilization.

"It is not for me to discuss what has been done in this respect in the United States, for there are many present who can deal with this subject better than I can," he continued. "We want to know what is the best method of sterilization. Is the X-ray method to be relied on? What effect would it have on the offspring, if insufficiently applied, to produce sterility? Is there any danger of cancer as a result? I strongly press this inquiry because I think that the adoption of surgical methods does increase the prejudice against sterilization."

The elimination of the unfit, the discouragement of large families among the ill-endowed and the encouragement of increased families among the well-endowed, were more practical means of improving race than attempts to breed superior by efforts to breed superior types, he maintained. If men and women of great natural gifts could be induced to mate, as some eugenicists wished, they would be likely to produce a superior generation, possibly including persons of genius, according to Major Darwin, but their excellence in a few generations would become pooled with the common attributes of mankind.

Prussian Experiment Failed
He discussed the classic eugenic experiment of the father of Frederick the Great in recruiting his famous Potsdam Guard by hiring and kidnapping men of huge stature from all over Europe and mating them with large women. This attempt to stock the Prussian Army with artificially bred seven-footers and eight-footers did not make the slightest impression on posterity, so far as known, he said.

Major Darwin calculated that if the 25,000 tallest men and women in America were mated and induced to raise two children more than the normal family rate, and that if this selection of the tall was continued for centuries, the average height of an American would be increased one inch every 1000 years. The attempt to raise the average level of intellect and character by breeding experiments, he said, would be equally futile.

"The qualities of selected parents would be due to many factors," he said, "and these factors, like the money of spendthrift descendants of millionaires, would tend to become more and more widely scattered among the people, in accordance with an inevitable law of nature, the final result, we may be certain, being disappointing to the eugenicist."

Major Darwin said that undoubtedly persons of high character and intelligence limited their offspring in order to insure them an education and a fair start in life. But he urged such persons to make sacrifices for the good of the race.

IRISH UNITY, HOPE OF PRESBYTERIANS

Pastor of Belfast Church Voices Purpose of Ulster Parliament

ALLIANCE ENDS SESSION

Pittsburgh, Sept. 25.—The eleventh council of the Alliance of the Reformed Churches holding the Presbyterian system ended last night in the First Presbyterian Church, this city, after having been in session since September 16. It was an impressive moment when the delegates, representing all the continents on the globe, sang "God Be With You Till We Meet Again," and were dismissed with the benediction pronounced by the Rev. Dr. William Park, of Belfast, Ireland, the retiring president of the council.

The council will meet next in Cardiff, Wales, in 1925. Most of those who came from abroad will leave for home this week. The majority were from Scotland. There was a good representation from the North of Ireland and from England. Two men came from Wales. There were representatives from Belgium, Czechoslovakia, France, Holland, Hungary, Lithuania, Switzerland, China, Korea, Japan, South Africa, the New Hebrides and Germany, as well as from Canada and all sections of this country.

Dr. Park gave the valedictory; the Rev. Dr. John McNaughton, of Pittsburgh, the new president, delivered an address, and the closing address was made by Prof. J. Ritchie Smith, of Princeton Theological Seminary, chairman of the Western or American section of the council.

At a farewell luncheon yesterday in the William Penn Hotel, Dr. Park, speaking of his native land, said: "We have never desired home rule, and the fact that we have accepted an Ulster Parliament is because we hope one day to promote the union of Ireland so that Ireland may again become a blessing to Europe and a strength to the British Empire."

Dr. Park asked the prayers of the council, especially "for those in Ireland who are living in constant danger of assassination and for officers of the law."

Dr. Park declared there never was a time when Great Britain and the United States were so close.

Dr. McNaughton, who responded, said the United Presbyterian Church of America, of which he is a minister, was in the fullest sympathy with Ulster; that its recent Assembly had passed resolutions in support of Ulster's position.

and were with the Ulsterites with all their heart and soul.

The Rev. Dr. W. I. Chamberlain, of New York City, announced that as the Church Missionary Society (Anglican) had withdrawn from Bagdad and Nineveh, the Presbyterians were taking up the work there.

A letter was read from George B. Christian, secretary to President Harding, which said: "The residue is deeply touched by your generous message of September 19, and he asks me to thank you and all concerned most heartily for it. He is heartened and encouraged by your friendly expressions, as well as your good will."

The offices of two vice presidents, one from America and the other from Europe, were created. The Rev. Dr. James I. Good, of Philadelphia, representing the Reformed Church in the United States, was chosen vice president from the Western section, and the Rev. Dr. J. N. Ogilvie, of Scotland, from the Eastern section.

A finance committee to raise a fund for the suffering churches of Central Europe was appointed, including the Rev. Dr. Arthur J. Brown, of New York City; Dr. Good, the Rev. Dr. William H. Sedgwick, of Hamilton, Canada; Robert L. Latimer and Philip N. Howard, both of Philadelphia.

The following committee was appointed to revise the constitution: Dr. Park, the Rev. R. J. Drummond, of Edinburgh; the Rev. Dr. William A. Curtis, also of Edinburgh; the Rev. Dr. Henry B. Master, of Philadelphia; the Rev. Dr. George W. Richards, of Lancaster, Pa.; and the Rev. Dr. S. H. Chester, of Nashville, Tenn.

The Alliance passed a resolution declaring "the council expresses its sympathy for the suffering people of the Near East, and extends its heartfelt sympathy."

All but seven of those arrested have been released on \$1000 bond each.

38 HELD AS NIGHT RIDERS
Arkansas Coal Miners Said to Have Planned Sabotage
Clarksville, Ark., Sept. 25.—(By A. P.)—Thirty-eight coal miners, who officials declare, were gathering, armed and masked, in an old field about a mile from Spadra, late Saturday night, were arrested and brought to the county jail here charged with night riding.

According to Sheriff Bartlett, who with four deputies made the arrests,

he was informed of the gathering and told that the men planned to march to Spadra Mine, where non-union labor is employed, and blow up the machinery there.

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