

CATHOLIC BIRTHS FALLING RAPIDLY SAYS SCIENTIST

Refuses to Discuss Causes of Decrease—Evidence Gathered in All American Cities Over 25,000

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MINNEAPOLIS, June 26.—(UP)—The American Association for the Advancement of Science learned tonight the birth rate among Catholic families is dropping "almost sensationally."

Professor S. A. Stouffer of the University of Wisconsin, appearing before the association's section on social and economic sciences, said the Catholic birth rate is falling three times as fast as in Protestant homes. His evidence, he said, was based on a survey of 40,766 families throughout Wisconsin, particularly urban. Scientists arose at conclusion of his talk to ask whether he attributed the sharp drop in Catholic births to dissemination of literature explaining the so-called "rhythm" system of birth control.

The "rhythm" system, referred to by its proponents as a "natural means of birth spacing," has general approval of the Catholic church. "I would not want to venture an opinion on the causes of this decline in Catholic family births," Professor Stouffer said. "It is a highly debatable subject and I prefer not to go beyond what my data actually shows. Whether Catholic families are using birth control or are resorting to continence cannot be proved from this evidence."

Professor Stouffer pointed out that, despite the falling birth rate among Catholics, their families still are larger, on the average, than others. His survey showed that 100 "average couples" married by Catholic priests in Milwaukee during 1919 and 1920 had 203 children in the first seven years of marriage, while 100 Catholic couples married in 1925 and 1926 had only 171 children, a 15 per cent decline. The decline in the birthrate among non-Catholic families in Milwaukee was only five per cent, he added. "In other Wisconsin cities the Catholic decline was somewhat greater," he said. "Polish and Italian Catholic families reduced their birthrates about the same as German and Irish Catholics."

Added to his personal studies in Wisconsin, Professor Stouffer had evidence covering all American cities of 25,000 population and more. These figures revealed that birth rates dropped most rapidly in cities where a large percentage of Catholic population and "far less rapidly" in cities with a small percentage of Catholics. The decline in "large Catholic families" started shortly after the World war, the professor said, but did not start its "almost sensational" drop until about 1925.

BURGLARS TAKE GUNS FROM 2ND HAND STORE

City police are today investigating the robbery of the Keys Second Hand store, 42 South Front street, which was broken into last night sometime before 11 o'clock, and seven guns stolen. Although other merchandise may have been stolen, a quick check-up revealed only the guns missing this morning. The front door of the store had been broken open with a "jimmie." Police are working on the theory that the intrusion was committed by the same person, or persons, who have committed similar robberies here and in Gold Hill during the winter.

Expect More Farmers
SEATTLE (UP)—Population of the state of Washington will be doubled by migration of farmers from the Middle West, J. C. Herbsman, head of the Seattle port commission, predicted. Prospect of cheap power from Grand Coulee Dam making possible reclamation of semi-desert areas, will be a major attraction, he said.

Fur in the Yard
WRANGELL, Alaska (UP)—Mrs. Nellie Wellesley has a handsome fur shawl collar for her new coat, she looked out of her cabin window, sighted a huge gray wolf 300 yards away, and got him with two shots. She collected a \$20 bounty, and the pelt was prime, with silver tipped fur.

Hurt in Riot



Patrolman Harry Albee (above) suffered injuries when Eureka, Cal., policemen battled to break a battle between strike pickets and employees of a lumber mill. — (Associated Press Photo.)

WIFE'S OWN STORY OF KIDNAPING IS TOLD BY COUNSEL

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When she asked the reason for this action, Waley told her: "Don't ask any questions. Just do what I tell you." Then Mahan came out of the woods and the trio drove to Ellensburg, whereupon, Dore said Mrs. Waley explained: "I heard a voice from the rear of the car say: 'Hey, mister, can I get out now?' 'I asked them who that was. They told me to mind my own business. 'I think that's the Weyerhaeuser boy,' I told them, and again they told me to mind my own business. 'Harmon then asked Mahan why he had brought me along and Mahan replied: 'Well, she'll have to get broken in some time, won't she?'"

In Spokane, Dore said Mrs. Waley told him, she rented a house they had occupied previously, adding that "I never saw the boy and he never saw me." The woman's story, as revealed by her attorney, is that when she and Waley went to Salt Lake City after the boy was released, "The day I got arrested (June 8) Harmon had given me a \$10 bill. I wanted to buy a birthday present for my father."

Having read a newspaper's list of the ransom bills, Dore said she added, she told her husband: "This looks like a ransom bill," but that Waley assured her: "Don't worry, it isn't. If it was I wouldn't send you out to spend it. Lots of bills are numbered like that, so don't worry about it."

Hens Don't Cackle At Night Is Ruling Washington Court

WASHINGTON, June 26.—(AP)—Roosters crow at night, but hens don't cackle, Judge Robert Mattingly has decided in handing down a unique decision. After hearing neighbors complain against fowls owned by George Kind and Edward Edwards, the judge said some of the roosters would have to go but as for the hens:

"You can't tell me that hens cackle at night. They only cackle after they have laid eggs."

WHEELING, W. Va. (UP)—A 68-year old calendar was recently found here by Harry K. Koehnlein, a bank cashier. The dates of the 1937 calendar are identical with those of 1935.

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah (UP)—Business conditions and prospects may be on the upgrade, but director of the Utah state fair slashed admission prices in July for this year's show in September.

GRIM WARNINGS AGAINST OPENING RECEIVED IN MAIL

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picket lines and under the watchful eye of small groups of city police.

One other lumber company was preparing to resume "slow bell" operations later in the day. No unusual incident occurred as about 20 men in each of the five mills reported for work. The 100 state patrolmen ordered mobilized in Portland for duty were held at state police headquarters here.

As far as could be learned, none of the seven operators who previously had announced they would place men at work today planned immediate extensive operations, apparently preferring to proceed slowly in the hope the Sawmill and Timber Workers' union, despite its emphatic refusal of the employer's four-point offer at a mass-meeting last night, might yet see fit to accept the terms as a basis of negotiations.

TACOMA, June 26.—(AP)—Outward evidences of lumber strife were few here this morning as eight lumber and wood working plants opened with approximately 600 men employed. Small squads of National Guardsmen were stationed on corners of 15th street, which leads to the main industrial area, during the period men were going to work. No crowds gathered and there were no demonstrations. Shortly after the mills opened at 8 o'clock the Guardsmen were removed from this street, scene of disorders earlier this week. Downtown Tacoma this morning had resumed its normal appearance.

Horse Vacation Days.
OMAHA, Neb.—(UP)—Old Dobbin is looking forward to the summer vacation as longingly as the children, for it means clover for him for three months. Dobbin, plus a partner, pulls the only horse-drawn bus in town, taking 35 children from suburban homes to an Omaha school.

Unearth Reptile Bones
PORT PECK, Mont. (UP)—Fragments of jaws, teeth and other bones of a prehistoric skeleton unearthed here have been identified as belonging to a long extinct marine reptile, the Mosasaur.

LOCALS

Spend Day Here—Rev. and Mrs. J. O. Wain, enroute to LaGrande, Ore., spent yesterday in Medford visiting with Rev. and Mrs. Weston P. Shield. Rev. and Mrs. Wain left this morning on the Shasta.

Fire Department Called—The fire department was called at 5:30 yesterday afternoon to extinguish a grass fire on Alder street. A small shack of no appreciable value was destroyed in the fire.

Strahorn Leaves—Robert E. Strahorn, president of Pacific States Mines, left last night by train for San Francisco, having been in southern Oregon for several weeks on business relative to the development of the Opp property.

Meets With Accident—F. E. Troutler of 518 East Main street suffered a sprained ankle Monday when he fell from a broken scaffolding plank at the Rose Grocery on West Jackson street. It was reported today. The injury will confine him to his home for several weeks.

Making Survey—A preliminary survey is underway, according to officials of Crater Lake national park, for the establishment of lookouts at Mt. Scott and Watchman Peak on the lake rim. Equipment will be packed in over the snow when the lookouts assume their posts in the near future.

Mrs. Wallace Arrives—Mrs. Mary Wallace of Eugene arrived to join her son, C. P. Wallace and family of Los Angeles, who have been visiting here at the home of Dr. and Mrs. J. D. Rickett. After spending a few days in Medford, Mrs. Wallace will accompany the C. P. Wallaces to Los Angeles for the summer.

District News Printed—Copies of the ninth edition of the Medford District News, official monthly publication of the Medford CCC district, which was recently judged the best printed district newspaper in the United States, were being distributed today by Editor-Second Lieut. Roy D. Craft, 21-Res.

Picnic Plans Progress—Plans are progressing for the Knights of Pythias picnic, which is scheduled for Jackson Hot Springs, Sunday, June 30. All K. P.'s and Pythian Sisters are invited to the dinner which will be served at 1:30, followed by band music and a program of sports. Ice cream and coffee will be furnished by the lodge.

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SENATE APPROVES YEAR'S EXTENSION NUISANCE TAXES

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though all expressed hope adjournment would not be unduly delayed.

Senator Long, (D., La.), who proposes to seek approval of his "share-the-wealth" program as an amendment to the new tax bill when it comes before the senate, asked Harrison if President Roosevelt had "changed his mind" about having his program incorporated into the nuisance resolution.

"There has been no change in the attitude of the president," Harrison replied. "There may have been a change of attitude on my part." Democratic Leader Robinson then assured the senate the procedure of passing the nuisance resolution separately to save loss of revenue was the idea of himself and Harrison from the start.

The only reason this plan was not followed in the first place, Robinson explained, was that the house ways and means committee situation was such "that it might have been several weeks before the proposition could be reached." He added that it was realized Congress had been in session a long time and due to a desire to conclude labors quickly it was decided to try the whole thing at once.

O. O.'s Home Wants Him Back.

GALLIPOLIS, O.—(UP)—Citizens of this small Ohio river town, home of O. O. McIntyre, New York columnist, have asked him to return for a short vacation after an absence of 37 years. A resolution was adopted to that effect at a dinner in his honor, at which McIntyre was not present.

"Bomb" in College Organ.

TIFFIN, O.—(UP)—Services in Heidelberg college chapel here were interrupted by a "bomb" explosion which filled the chapel with smoke. Officials investigated and found the disturbance was caused by an automobile "bomb" being attached to the organ motor by a prankster.

Birds

SALEM, Ore. (UP)—Jack Bird won first prize and Claire Bird honorable mention in an Audubon Bird contest conducted in the schools here.

MEET the WIFE



MRS. CHARLES W. BRYAN

Mayor Charles W. Bryan of Lincoln, Nebraska, and his wife, Mrs. Charles W. Bryan, who is primarily a housekeeper, the old-fashioned homemaker, "I keep so busy at home I have little time for clubs," she says. She likes motion pictures and dancing, reads aloud to her family, enjoys unexpected company, and holds an affection for the Nebraska governor's mansion which she renovated while living there. The mother of two children, she long has been highly esteemed by both political friend and foe, as witnessed by the remark of a Nebraska Republican leader: "If the Democrats gave us nothing else, we are indebted to them for Mrs. Bryan in the governor's mansion."

College to Teach "New Deal."

HIRAM, O.—(UP)—A feature of Hiram college's summer session will be a special course, "The New Deal Today," dealing in recent trends and implications of economic and social life.

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KENIA, O.—(UP)—Twenty women, working two days a week, eight hours daily, produce an average of 3,000 towels weekly in the FERA sewing center workshop here.

COTTON GETS HOT TO TAKE LEAD IN BRITISH CLASSIC

(AP)—In an unprecedented wave of low scoring, Henry Cotton, the defending champion, shot a sub-par 68 today in the first round of the 72-hole British open golf championship to lead by one stroke at the quarter-way mark.

Close on the title holder's heels were the veteran MacDonald Smith of Glendale, Cal., and a left-handed swinger, Alfred Perry, who turned in 69. Three players, Ernest Kenyon and Alf Padgham and the amateur, Eric McRivie, were bracketed at 70.

Four other players broke the Mullerfield course par of 72, with 71. They were A. J. Lacey, P. M. Branch, P. J. Mahon and C. A. Whitcombe. Eight players were grouped at par, including Henry Picard of Hershey, Pa., the sensation of the American mid-winter season, and Robert Sweet-

ney, the former New Yorker now living in London. W. Lawson Little, Jr., of San Francisco, the small amateur champion, carded a 75. The field will play 18 holes tomorrow, after which it will be cut down to the 60 low scorers and then for the 36-hole stretch drive on Friday.

Give Tree a Putout
ALBANY, Ore. (UP)—Workmen removing a large maple tree from left field of the ball park here found it holding a baseball high in its branches. They considered digging back in the box scores six or seven years ago and crediting the tree with a putout.

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