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Volcker's demographics: why America is dying

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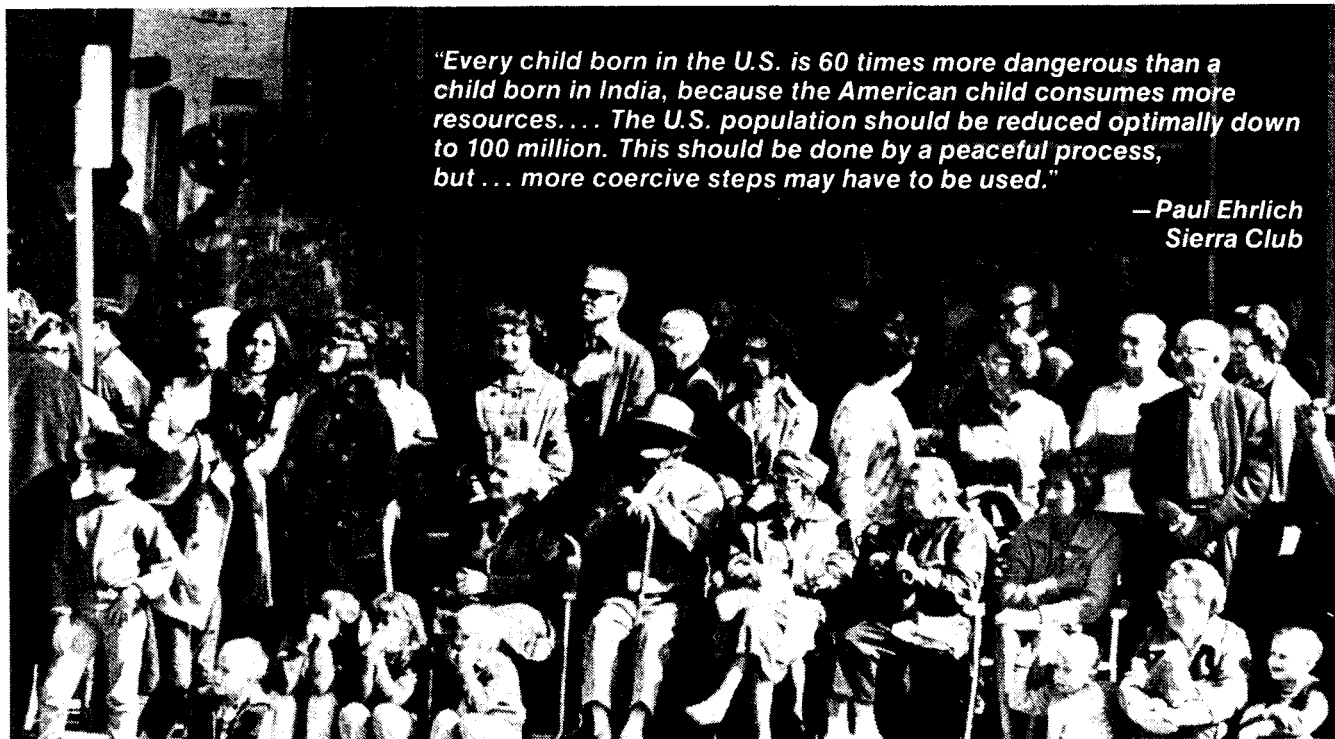
The U.S. population is currently 225 million people, and only mass killings—not birth control, not even abortions—could reduce it to less than half its current size. The author of this genocidal proposal is environmentalist Paul Ehrlich, who teaches biology at Stanford University. Ehrlich is a leader of the zero-growth Sierra Club and his wife Ann is a member of the U.S. Association for the Club of Rome, the supranational organization that endorses global depopulation through genocide. Ehrlich wrote the 1969 book *The Population Bomb*, in which he predicted that the United States would become overpopulated to “standing-room-only” proportions unless demographers were given dictatorial powers to decide which families would be allowed to have children and which would not.

Ehrlich's call cannot be dismissed as a blueprint for the future. His population-reduction policy is being carried out in the United States today with as much ruthless efficiency as the Nazi campaign against “useless eaters” that found its horrifying logic fulfilled in the concentration camps. The chief executioner of this policy is Paul A. Volcker, the U.S. Federal Reserve chairman and, before he took over the Fed in 1979, a paid employee for 15 years of David Rockefeller, the founder of the Trilateral Commission.

Since 1979, when Paul Volcker vowed that he would lower American living standards by keeping interest rates at double-digit levels, living standards have in fact fallen in the United States by 18 percent. The U.S. fertility rate has dropped, in that same period, below the 2.1 births-per-child-bearing lifetime needed to physically *replace* the population.

As this report will show, post-war anti-industrial credit policies have:

- forced more than three out of five American women of child-bearing age into jobs outside the home;
- devastated the U.S. housing industry, making the raising of a family more and more difficult for ordinary Americans to contemplate;
- raised unemployment to 22.4 percent as the rate of industrial bankruptcy has doubled between the first quarter of 1981 and the first quarter of 1982;
- hit with particular force the minority populations with the effect of



"Every child born in the U.S. is 60 times more dangerous than a child born in India, because the American child consumes more resources.... The U.S. population should be reduced optimally down to 100 million. This should be done by a peaceful process, but... more coercive steps may have to be used."

*—Paul Ehrlich
Sierra Club*

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income collapse, unemployment and family disruption.

How is the policy of fewer people being sold to America, a nation that has prospered as it has grown for over 200 years? Americans are being told two sets of lies. The first lie is that they consume too much: too much water, too much food, too much energy—and that this consumption is depleting the earth's limited resources and bringing the whole species close to doom. The second lie is that Americans have started to believe the first lie, and are voluntarily purchasing smaller and fewer houses, smaller and fewer cars, less meat, and less energy.

The overconsumption hoax

In fact, Americans consume too little. Unless U.S. consumption rises—particularly the consumption of materials and training that upgrade the education, skill levels, and general intelligence of the population, America will not have the skilled workforce and scientific cadres capable of producing in a 21st-century economy, and it will collapse into permanent decay. If it appears that the United States consumes "too much" in comparison with, say, El Salvador, Zaire, or India, that is because in many developing countries a sizable proportion of the population consumes just enough to maintain mere biological existence. The vast majority of the human race does not yet have the opportunity to perform creative and necessary work, that is, to live a truly human existence.

If, because of conditions in the developing sector, Americans were to voluntarily reduce their consumption, the United States would not only be committing

national suicide. It would also be condemning the Third World to death, because the output of capital goods by the advanced industrial sector is vital to their development. Kill the capacity of the United States to produce high-technology goods—as Paul Volcker is now doing—and billions in the developing sector will be doomed.

Nor is this grim outcome unforeseen by the gentlemen of the Federal Reserve. Behind Volcker are the supranational institutions to which he owes his primary loyalties—the World Bank, the International Monetary Fund, the United Nations, and the NATO-founded Club of Rome institutions committed to reduce world population by a projected 2 billion before the year 2000—as elaborated in the *Global 2000 Report* released in 1980 by Jimmy Carter's State Department.

The roots of Volcker's economic destruction

The Volcker policy of outright sabotage of the U.S. economy through high interest rates is the culmination of the British control over U.S. financial markets and economic policy that has prevailed since the Federal Reserve was established in 1913 as an extra-constitutional "fourth branch of government."

This became apparent especially in the post-World War II period as increasingly speculative markets centered in commodity and currency trading, real estate, and reinsurance speculation, and similar activities, became the controlling features of the U.S. economy.

Along with this went the growth of nonproductive service-sector "post-industrial sectors." U.S. industrial

and agricultural output was looted to cover the overhead of the speculative markets. The British used this process—fueled by the offshore Eurodollar markets—to shift the United States from a basically productive to an increasingly nonproductive economy.

In 1967, when President Lyndon B. Johnson put an end to the rapid development of the NASA space program, and the spinoff of its technological achievements in space research on the production process, the United States was blocked from any further high rates of growth.

The Johnson administration's Great Society and the predecessor Kennedy administration helped accelerate the shift toward a post-industrial U.S. economy. This policy was deliberately intended to kill the United States demographically: leading members of those administrations, are now on the board of the Draper Fund/Population Crisis Committee, one of the leading bodies for population-reduction planning, including William McChesney Martin, Chairman of the Federal Reserve, 1951-70; C. Douglas Dillon, Treasury Secretary, 1960-65; Walter W. Heller, Chairman, Council of Economic Advisers, 1961-64; and Henry Fowler, Treasury Secretary, 1965-68.

Summarizing the view of the Kennedy-Johnson administrations' economic and social policies, Margaret Mead, who served on the first Presidential Commission on the Year 2000 established by Lyndon Johnson, made the following proposal.

The Anglophile anthropologist declared that the United States and its policymakers ought to reconsider "the present family style of living, creating a new style with an emphasis on very small families and a high toleration of childless marriage or a style in which parenthood would be limited to a smaller number of families whose principal function would be childrearing." The rest of the population would be "free" to have no children at all.

In 1973-75, the first oil shock was administered by the British-run Seven Sisters multinationals to the world economy, following the rigged October 1973 Arab-Israeli war. In 1978-79, the Seven Sisters and the Aspen Institute administered a second oil shock.

The world economy as a whole, and the U.S. economy itself, were severely weakened. At the same time, the New York-based Council on Foreign Relations (CFR) started in 1973 working on its *Project 1980s* program.

The high point of the program, which has been published in 26 volumes thus far, is the idea the CFR terms "controlled disintegration." According to this theory, the world is put through oil, credit, and other types of "shocks" and is forced onto a path of zero and eventually negative growth.

The economy disintegrates, but the authors of the

program hope, in a "controlled" fashion. One of the directors of the CFR project was current Federal Reserve Chairman Paul Volcker.

When Paul Volcker assumed that position in August 1979, he applied his monetarist policy.

The assault on the family

For the past 25 years, an operation to destroy the American family unit through organized mass movements of degeneracy and depravity has been run by the London-based Tavistock Institute, the premiere psychological warfare brainwashing unit of British intelligence, which *is controlled by the same financial institutions that dictate Paul Volcker's economy-wrecking policies for the United States*. This special report documents its frightening success.

First to be attacked was the American sense of identity embedded in the belief in progress and individual accomplishment. Using its control over television, the film industry, and printed media, Tavistock perpetrated the notion that to "discover the real me" a person had to become "liberated" and "do what his inner feelings dictate." Gone is the obligation to make something of oneself. Tavistock encouraged each person to let his infantile impulses govern his behavior.

To shape and shift this change in identity, Tavistock engineered and steered "social movements." There was the "beatnik" phase, the hipster phase, the flower children of the late 1960s, the "turn on and drop out" drug phase. They were meshed with the Tavistock-led environmentalist and women's movements. And in the background, there is the continual pitch that there are too few resources, and those who are "really in touch" with themselves and with nature will not have children and instead adopt "alternative lifestyles."

With the massive aid of drugs, alcohol, and rock music, this was made to seem attractive to the young, the majority of whom either embraced the ideology or became very tolerant of it. The flower children of the 1960s are now the parents or potential parents of the 1980s, but the traditional emphasis on having children who grow up to "make something of themselves" has become viewed as outdated and reactionary. With the rise of the self-centered "me generation" has come an increase in mental instability, violence, and such hideous social movements as the Hare Krishnas and the die-with-dignity cult. Today the nation's youth are undergoing a mental and physical holocaust unparalleled in American history. Together with the high youth unemployment rate, this ensures that the next generation that should carry on the nation's work is largely unable and unfit to do so.

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