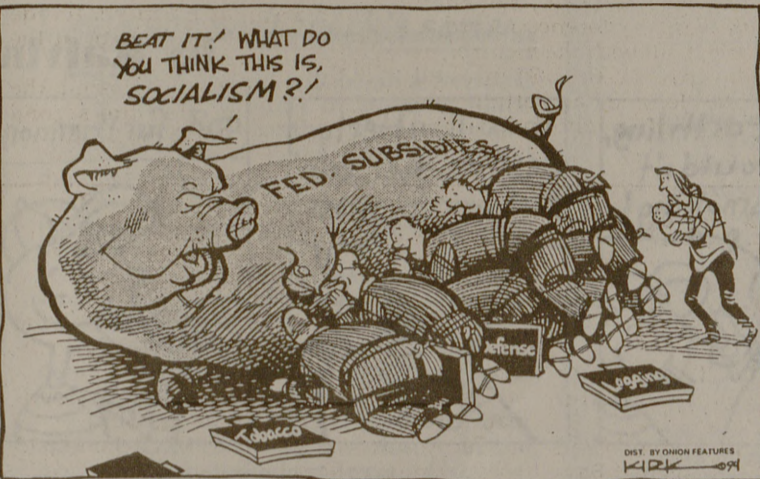


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EDITORIAL

Prison problems

More facilities not the solution

There are times in life when we can afford to accept the mistakes we make and move on. Unfortunately, when you're talking about capital offenders who are paroled before serving their entire sentence and without any kind of rehabilitative treatment, one mistake can mean a life.

Society should not allow violent criminals, especially murderers or rapists, to move about freely in society.

Proponents of the early-release program cite overcrowding as a reason for the number of parolees being released. We would not deny that overcrowding is a problem; however, murderers, rapists, child abusers, and other violent offenders should not be released early.

The examples of Kenneth McDuff and Raul Meza speak for themselves. McDuff was sentenced to death in 1966 for murdering two teenage boys. After being paroled twice, McDuff was convicted in 1992 for killing a Waco convenience store clerk.

Meza was released from prison after being convicted of raping and murdering 8-year-old Kendra Page. After being run out of several Texas towns,

he is now living in Austin. For once we should be thrilled that Austin has something — besides UT — which College Station does not.

These are not isolated examples of the parole system gone awry; they are just two of the cases that have made their way into the news. Every year, new bills are proposed to build newer, stronger and bigger prisons to keep the streets safe for law abiding citizens everywhere.

No one seems to realize that putting criminals in jail and leaving them there a while isn't helping. It's more like an extended convention for convicts to come together and share tricks of the trade. What we end up with is a smarter, more dangerous criminal.

It's time for voters to start supporting bills that mandate rehabilitative programs and psychological testing for all violent criminals, instead of blindly calling for more cells. The Texas prison system, among others, has made steps to improve capacity, but the problem is much more than that of space. Let's try to build new lives instead of new prison cells.

World population: billions and billions

Birth control key to controlling growth of human race

Be fruitful and multiply.

This message from the Old Testament has probably been accepted and followed more than any other. Initially, it may very well be the most pleasurable directive in the Bible; but as your own parents will tell you, it's also the most difficult. Although parenting, with its joys and pains, is certainly a rich topic, my not being a parent makes me underqualified to comment. However, the whole "parenting thing" needs to be looked at from an all-encompassing, global perspective.

The real problem with "Be fruitful and multiply" is that the entire world seems to have taken it too far. The human race has been more fruitful than the Napa Valley and is currently multiplying itself into a dangerous position.

The present population of the Earth is around five billion people (give or take a few races), with the U.S. harboring only about 250 million of them. What's alarming is that the rate of growth is 1.9 percent per year, compounded. Those statistics mean that each day, after accounting for all the births and deaths in the world, some 300,000 extra people are left over and added to the population. Don't forget that the number of extra people continues to grow also.



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Columnist

The 57 million square miles of habitable earth seemingly could support as many humans as we can manufacture. However, with a few calculations, we can figure that if the population continues to grow at this rate, the number of people will reach 10 billion in just 37 years. That's over 200 people on every square mile of land. Now, before everyone runs off to invest in real-estate in anticipation of a housing shortage, it's difficult to say exactly what impact the population doubling will have on the U.S.

We can assume that there will be more starving and homeless people, more criminals, more newspaper salesmen, etc. in America. But the impact still will pale in comparison to Third World countries that are already grossly overpopulated. Those of you who have spent any time in Manhattan know what it is like to be within ten feet of another person at all times. Well, in just a few generations the livable areas of the world may be like one big Manhattan. (I like New York, but I've always been able to leave).

Countries like India, China and Japan are already taking steps to slow their population growth, but with very sad side effects. Governments that sanction in favor of single offspring families tend to increase the female infant murder rate because of a cultural desire for males. Third World countries like those in Africa, Central and South America experience death as a direct result of overpopulation, and that's just at the current level. Production of food is a tremendous problem for these nations which depend on the donations and hard work of countries like ours to keep as many people alive as possible. Just like a pain pill won't cure

an infection, continuing to feed hungry nations that are populated with five times the number of people that their food supply can bear is merely treating the symptom without providing a cure.

So what can we do to alleviate or at least slow this growing problem? I'm not suggesting that we cut off food supplies to needy areas; we are human and thereby humane (theoretically, anyway). But there needs to be mass re-education about family size for the societies of the world.

For cultural reasons, some countries encourage men to father as many children as possible. It's like a virile, macho, fruit-of-my-loins thing. Unfortunately, feeding them apparently is of secondary concern.

Some prevailing ideologies blatantly encourage overpopulation. Many poor peoples strongly uphold these principles, which means that in areas where there is far too little food for the number of mouths to feed, families are still not utilizing effective methods of birth control.

The reason for this, as I understand it, is the belief that procreation is a gift from God and that believers shouldn't prevent the exercise of that gift with birth control. However, a child's painful death through malnutrition and life in a tragically overpopulated country would not seem to be the intended result of such a gift.

Educating the world on the methods of birth control is certainly the first, most powerful step toward a more manageable world population and a hunger-free humanity.

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Creation of one-world state an U.N.-American pursuit

"The ideals of the U.N. Charter are in line with the ideals of Lenin." — U Thant, former U.N. Secretary General.

The pursuit of a one-world super-state is as old as the biblical Tower of Babel, which sought to reach Heaven. Today, the agenda of the stealthy internationalist Council on Foreign Relations (CFR), has brought the possibility of a one-world state frighteningly close to reality.

The formation of the CFR began in 1921 with the financial backing of J.P. Morgan and Co. During this era of economically subversive trusts and holding companies, the one-world elites laid plans which some believe were aimed at gaining control of America's mass media, State Department and economic policy.

Consider that in 1945, America was the



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world's largest creditor nation, had three-times as much gold on hand as the rest of the world combined, and ranked among the elite in all technologies and industry. By 1975, Uncle Sam was crawling out of Vietnam, burdened with economic decline and moral decay — an unprecedented national collapse worthy of careful introspection.

Why have "capitalists" like Rockefeller, in association with the International Monetary Fund and World Bank, constantly made loans to prop up insolvent communist regimes? Why were Mao and Castro presented by the establishment media as pro-Western reformers? A 1940's U.S. War Department study concluded that Rockefeller's financing of I.B. Farben, Germany's top producer of munitions and petrochemicals, was the pillar of the Nazi War effort.

Why did American soldiers participate in the April 3, 1952, U.N. "invasion" of Lampasas, Texas, which saw the U.S. flag and Constitution replaced by the U.N. flag and Constitution? Why did Reagan suddenly embrace Gorbachev and the "Empire of Evil" in 1988 while Christians were being executed in Romania? Why was the KAL 007 shot down after being trailed for over two hours by Russian MiGs? Was it

because U.S. Congressman Lawrence McDonald, the most ardent anti-U.N. conservative on Capitol Hill, just happened to be on board?

Of course nothing has done more to aid the CFR than their "establishment media." For example, in 1976 the Khmer Rouge communists slaughtered one million people in Cambodia — the New York Times carried a total of four stories on Cambodia

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all of that year. Yet the Times and Washington Post ran no less than 415 stories on the Republic of South Africa between May and June of 1986 alone, even though there were only minimal casualties.

This is significant as it illustrates the uniform CFR methods: First, accuse a nation's

security forces of human rights abuses. Second, focus media attention on those abuses — which are sometimes exaggerated or even fabricated — while ignoring abuses elsewhere. Third, back the rebels. Fourth, call for U.N. sanctions. Fifth, send in U.N. "Peacekeepers." Sixth, install pro-U.N. puppets to power.

China, Cuba, Iran, Nicaragua, Chile, Katanga, Rhodesia, Namibia and South Africa head the list of CFR casualties. The daily newspapers point to the next victims: Israel (forced to comply with the terrorist PLO), Serbia (NATO airstrikes), Russia (Clinton's Directive 13 allowing U.S. troops in the Russian Republics under the U.N.), North Korea (Patriot missiles) and Haiti (U.N. embargo to accept the deposed Aristide).

Not all of the above-mentioned nations will go quietly. South Africa's anti-U.N. coalition of 13 million Zulus and Afrikaners stated in the Dec. 19, 1991, South African Star: "We reject the political Tower of Babel as demanded by the United Nations. We will fight until we achieve victory, or die in the attempt."

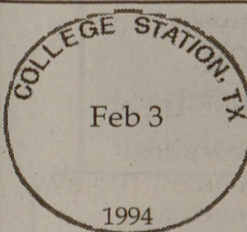
Casting off restraint, the Afrikaners spear-head an international right-wing

movement which has targeted all CFR members and their progeny for termination with extreme prejudice feeling their liberty is under U.N./CFR assault.

Here's what all liberty-loving Americans of all races can do to stop the U.N./CFR's war on our national sovereignty. First, student organizations must call for a public debate on the facts outlined in the books "The Shadows of Power" by James Perloff and "Global Tyranny ... Step by Step" by William Jasper. Second, our political candidates must adopt a platform rejecting the U.N./CFR. Third, let's unmask the U.N. Constitution as a document which clearly states all of man's rights come from the government and are not the endowments of the Creator God, as the U.S. Constitution recognizes.

Finally, let's get the message out loud and clear — CFR and U.N., get the hell out of this country! We'll never worship at the throne of your latter-day Tower of Babel.

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MAIL CALL

Cowboys shine as America's team

I am writing in response to the opinion of one Battalion writer that the cowboys are NOT America's Team. Personally, I think this writer needs a large glass of reality juice.

We may not have the past greats, but the names must change. Tom Landry is

one of the greatest coaches in football history, but he was ultra-conservative. Jerry Jones thought it was time for a change to rekindle the America's Team fire. Fake punts, fake filed goals ... the man has guts. That is what puts an owner, coach and a team on the map.

I offer this to the opinionated writer who feels that the Cowboys are not America's Team: why do the Cowboys play nine home games during the regular season? Because the Cowboys are nationally

recognized as a great team that has an overwhelming crowd base of Cowboy backers. Why is it that the Cowboys are the #1 merchandising team in the world? They just surpassed the Raiders, who you have to admit, get a large amount of support from the gang population. The Dallas Cowboys are indeed America's Team. "How 'bout them Cowboys?!"

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Society should not endorse gay rights

How can gay students complain about the Court's sodomy ruling? When you violate society's code of values, you can't ex-

pect sympathy. The question of gay rights is not a simple question of rights. It is a question of morality and health (physical and societal).

It is very important to understand that when one goes against God and/or nature (as in sodomy and homosexuality) there are certain consequences (like higher risk of AIDS and other physical problems). These consequences don't just apply to one part of society; they apply to anyone who chooses to engage in the activity. Another major point to understand is that sodomy, homosexuality, and sex out of marriage is a sin; not by my decision but by God's. Right and wrong are defined ultimately by God and under no circumstances can we change that; we can simply try to understand it.

I am not saying I am holier than cer-

tain people. However, I am certain that what homosexuals stand for and the activities they engage in are morally and spiritually wrong, not to mention harmful. I am not against "sinners" — I am an unwilling member of that group myself. However, the difference is that I do my best to correct my flaws and don't just whine for acceptance.

I am against those who make excuses and justifications for an unhealthy, abnormal, immoral lifestyle. In fact, I will do my part as an ethical, God-fearing Christian to stop the fight for rights encouraging immorality, and I encourage others like myself to do the same because it is the only way that our community, nation and world will improve.

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