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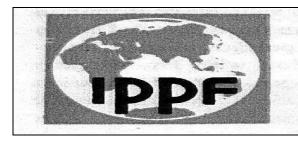
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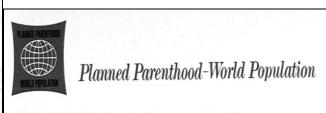
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GENERAL INTRODUCTION

Planned Parenthood Federation of America Records, 1918-1974

The Planned Parenthood Federation of America (PPFA) is the nation's largest provider of reproductive health care. For more than sixty years it has provided services including birth control, men's sexual health, relationship counseling, sex education, treatment for sexually transmitted disease and international family planning. The PFFA is central to the development of reproductive rights in the 20th century; leading battles to secure and preserve safe, available, and affordable birth control and abortion through public advocacy, education, and lobbying. Its forerunners, the American Birth Control League (1921-1939), the Birth Control Clinical Research Bureau (1923-1939), and the Birth Control Federation of America (1939-1942), worked steadily to improve access to reproductive heath services. The story of reproductive rights in the United States and the activists who gathered broad support for its goals and agenda cannot be told without the records of its central organization.

A detailed history of the PPFA has not yet been written. Though the Federation has been featured in histories of twentieth century birth control, abortion, population control, welfare, and women's rights, the PPFA has never held the spotlight. Access to the Federation's records, especially in the turbulent years 1942 to 1965, offers the historian and policymaker an opportunity to investigate the shifts in the Federation's focus, values and tactics that enabled it to remain at the forefront of a movement undergoing dramatic and fundamental changes.

The records, held by the Sophia Smith Collection at Smith College, is exceptionally strong in its coverage of the legal challenges supported by PPFA and its predecessor organizations, as well as in documenting the relations between PPFA and major stake-holding groups like physicians, social workers, nurses and public health staff. The relationship between local affiliates and the national organization is illuminated both in the collection's coverage of annual meetings and its affiliate files.²

On its own this collection chronicles an organization in flux, trying to modernize the debate over birth control, but unable to fully break with its past. In what can be described as its most conservative years, the PPFA tried a new approach to securing the participation of public health leaders and the government. These efforts bore fruit in the mid-1960s, but were ultimately overshadowed by changes wrought by the revival of feminist rationales for contraception and the convenience of the birth control pill.

The PPFA had a good pedigree, born from the merger of the American Birth Control League (ABCL), the national birth control league founded by Margaret Sanger in 1921 and the Birth Control Clinical Research Bureau (BCCRB), which Sanger founded in 1923 as the first legal birth control clinic in the

¹ See Linda Gordon, *Moral Property of Women* (2006); James Reed, *Birth Control in American Society* (1976); Donald Critchlow, *Intended Consequences: Birth Control, Abortion, and the Federal Government in Modern America* (1999); Simone Caron, *Who Chooses?: American Reproductive History* since 1830 (2008). On the legal history of birth control see David Garrow, *Liberty and Sexuality: The Right to Privacy and the Making of Roe V. Wade* (1998) and C. Thomas Dienes, *Law, Politics and Birth Control* (1972).

² The Planned Parenthood Federation of America Records, at Smith College, consists of a second grouping of materials designated PPFA II Records (1921-1981). This additional grouping contains materials that are not yet open for research. The finding aids are available online at http://asteria.fivecolleges.edu/findaids/sophiasmith/mnsss148 main.html .

United States. The ABCL worked predominately to build public approval for birth control, support the creation of state and city birth control leagues and clinics, publish the monthly *Birth Control Review*, and try to change state and federal laws. The ABCL succeeded in attracting the support of middle-class and wealthy women, physicians, patients, and dedicated activists. The BCCRB was a leader in clinical research and testing, advising activists around the country on how to set up and maintain birth control clinics. It also treated thousands of New York City women each year.

The challenge of the Depression both hurt and helped birth control activists as the economic uncertainty swayed more doctors, politicians and the general public to the value of birth control, even as it made funding difficult. The birth control movement fractured in the 1930s when Margaret Sanger split from the ABCL to form the National Committee on Federal Legislation for Birth Control (NCFLBC), to lobby the federal government to revise the 1873 Comstock Act that classified birth control information and devices as obscene and unmailable. In 1937, the NCFLBC secured a U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals ruling, the *U.S. v. One Package*, that granted physicians the right to mail contraceptives. During the 1930s, fierce competition between the ABCL and the BCCRB encouraged the rapid expansion of local leagues and clinics, swelling both the numbers of affiliates and the numbers of women treated.

The rivalry between the ABCL and BCCRB did not end easily, but the duplication of work and limited resources eventually brought the two back together. In 1939, they merged into the Birth Control Federation of America (BCFA). After almost two decades under Sanger's sway, the BCFA sought to capitalize on the movement's popularity to win the support of the medical profession and the government. Their ultimate goal was to provide birth control in every hospital and public health clinic in the country. To achieve it, the BCFA leaders believed they had to remake the movement's public image and its core mission. They believed that success would only come if they downplayed its association with women in favor of a broader emphasis on the married couple. Key to this new vision was a new name, "Planned Parenthood," which would appeal to medical and government men, where "birth control" had not. In 1942, the BCFA was renamed the Planned Parenthood Federation of America, and for the next twenty years, the PPFA, newly staffed with male professionals, adopted an inclusive policy of treating the whole family, not just the mother, offering help with marriage counseling, infertility, and sex education in addition to contraception.

These dramatic changes in PPFA's focus coincided with the United State's entry into World War II, offering PPFA an opportunity to position family planning as pro-American, helping women to join the war effort while their men were at war. When the American birth rate soared after the war, the PPFA encouraged middle and upper class Americans to have larger families, spotlighting infertility research and counseling. They downplayed their past insistence on limiting the numbers of the poor, instead emphasizing how couples could space children and plan prudently for the future. Though PPFA continued to grow during the war years, it was unable to make inroads into public health. The Federation expanded educational efforts, producing pamphlets and other publications aimed at doctors, nurses, clergymen, social workers and government agencies. With the war's end, PPFA aimed to improve maternity care, offering child-spacing, increased medical and religious counseling, and public health initiatives to provide contraceptives to those suffering from venereal disease or tuberculosis.

American families were not the only ones rapidly growing. With the end of World War II, global population expansion combined with widespread food shortages drew attention to the plight of "Third World" nations. Spearheaded by Sanger and British family planning activists, the International Planned Parenthood Federation (IPPF) was created in 1952, a federation of national birth control organizations. Representing the wealthiest nation on earth, PPFA played a pivotal role in the IPPF, supporting its international conferences, sharing its expertise with activists in developing countries, and fostering the

creation of national planned parenthood organizations in North and South America through its membership in the IPPF's Western Hemisphere Region. This new venture was not without conflict as PPFA debated how to divide resources between international and domestic needs.

Among PPFA's priorities, research on fertility and infertility was always on the list, but never a primary goal. Without a large research budget, PPFA partnered briefly with the National Committee on Maternal Health and National Research Council to locate and fund promising scientific efforts. One such project, undertaken by Gregory Pincus and his colleagues at the Worcester Foundation for the Experimental Biology, led to the development of Enovid, the first hormonal contraceptive pill. While not a major funder, PPFA provided seed money for the research, which culminated with the 1960 FDA approval of Enovid, the real first new contraceptive since the birth control movement began. This ushered in a period of change for the Federation.

Easy access to simple and effective contraception revitalized birth control as a feminist issue, even as President Lyndon Johnson's War on Poverty gave the movement a much-needed boost, provided contraceptive education and funding through the Social Security Act, the Department of Health, Education and Welfare, and the U.S. Agency for International Development. In the legal arena the last bastion of the 1873 Comstock Act, Connecticut's draconian law forbidding the *practice* of contraception even among married couples, was struck down by the Supreme Court's 1965 *Griswold v. Connecticut* ruling.

Public interest in and demand for legalized abortion had grown in response to an epidemic of thalidomide-related birth defects as well as increased feminist demands. Under president Dr. Alan F. Guttmacher, the PPFA began studying the question of legalizing abortion, quietly holding a crucial symposium in 1955 to plan out strategies and releasing favorable conclusion in 1959. Another of Guttmacher's initiatives was working more closely with international family planning work. This initiative culminated in 1961 when Planned Parenthood temporarily merged with the fund-raising group, the World Population Emergency Campaign, in order to integrate the work of the two groups. Both of these issues would take on greater significance in the years that followed.

INTRODUCTION TO PART 3

The twentieth century birth control movement was built by many types of activists, each with their own goals. By 1942, when the Planned Parenthood Federation of America (PPFA) emerged as the leading advocacy group, most other organizations had been amalgamated or were working so closely with PPFA that distinctions appear narrow. *Part 3: Related Birth Control Organizations, 1918-1969* documents both the cooperation and competition between birth control activists before the establishment of the PPFA in 1942, and chronicles the PPFA's dealings with other activists to the mid-1960s.

The American Birth Control League (ABCL), founded in 1921 by Margaret Sanger, was the pre-eminent organization, and was PPFA's immediate predecessor. It published the *Birth Control Review*, a monthly digest of news and articles about birth control, operated the New York-based Clinical Research Bureau, the largest birth control clinic in the country, and attracted state leagues to affiliate with its work. The ABCL was divided in 1928 when Margaret Sanger resigned as president and took the clinic with her, renaming it the Birth Control Clinical Research Bureau (BCCRB). Sanger also took many of the

ABCL's best donors, and by 1929 founded a new national organization, the National Committee for Federal Legislation on Birth Control (NCFLBC).

Records documenting the ABCL include detailed coverage of its annual meetings, including minutes and reports others on membership, legislative and educational efforts, finances, the *Birth Control Review*, and summaries of activities. These include rare directories of active members from 1929 (reel 1:0169) and 1930 (reel 1:0184). The meetings also document the growing professionalism of the League, as they changed from introspective reports on the status of tasks and work to meetings that began to serve as public relations events, peppered with well-known speakers and speeches that tapped into current events and concerns.

Birth control clinics are discussed at two round table meetings in 1936 and 1938, and the ABCL's expansion is documented by official reports by its local affiliates. Key topics discussed included medical aspects of contraception, the role of social agencies, the use of volunteers, reports and forms, and rural clinic work. Highlights include the text of a radio broadcast by Eduard Lindeman about philosophy and birth control in 1937 (reel 1:0654), and round table meetings on clinics, publicity and fundraising. (reel 1:0652, 0695, and 0746)

The National Committee on Maternal Health (NCMH), founded in 1923 by Robert Latou Dickinson, sought to investigate and report on all issues of maternal health. The NCMH's interests broad, including research on infertility, sterilization, and other issues of maternal health. Initially focused on providing a medical alternative to lay and woman-directed birth control activism, the NCMH attracted doctors and professionals uncomfortable with the feminist and social aspects of the movement. After it failed to create a viable system of hospital-based birth control clinics, the Committee shifted its focus to supporting and publishing the results of contraceptive research. Though they began as rivals, the NCMH found that working with Sanger and the ABCL gave them access to rich clinic data that they could not get elsewhere.

The 1930s saw a rapid expansion of birth control activism, with the NCFLBC focusing on amending federal laws banning the mailing of contraceptives, the ABCL striving to create state and local birth control leagues in unorganized areas, and the BCCRB promoting contraceptive research and the formation of birth control clinics. But distinctions between these tasks grew fuzzy and by the mid-1930s the competition had grown fierce and wasteful of shrinking resources. When the NCFLBC disbanded in 1937, Sanger focused on broadening the BCCRB's scope to include much of the organization work that the NCFLBC had undertaken.

The BCCRB material in this microfilm edition focuses on the merger effort, from 1936-1938, including progress reports, and material on the Conference on Clinical Research and Contraceptive Practice in December 1936. A critical document on this topic is the D. Kenneth Rose and George Aubrey Hastings' October 3, 1838 summary on the merger written for the Joint Committee representing the ABCL and the BCCRB (reel 10:0358).

In January 1939, the Birth Control Federation of America (BCFA) was created from a merger of ABCL and the BCCRB. The clinic, renamed the Margaret Sanger Research Bureau (MSRB) in 1940, retained its autonomy, but ceded organization work to the BCFA. The NCMH was not folded into the new federation, but became more closely aligned, serving as medical advisers and liaisons to the medical profession and scientific researchers. Key to the success of the BCFA was Sanger's retirement from active birth control work, which enabled the Federation to make a fresh start, develop new tactics and

broader programs. In 1942, as a reflection of these new ideas, the Federation changed its name to PPFA, a move Sanger deplored as watering down the message of the birth control movement.

The BCCRB's Citizen's Committee on Planned Parenthood was taken over by the BCFA in 1939, where it was renamed the National Committee for Planned Parenthood. The Committee sought to secure lay support for birth control by soliciting contributions and harnessing the letter-writing lobbying power of its members. Albert Lasker provided a \$100,000 challenge to the Committee to raise an equal amount of private contributions (reel 15:0017). For samples of its publicity materials see a radio address by Mrs. Vincent Sheean on February 18, 1942 (reel 25:0167) and literature from the early 1940s, pamphlets, and lists of the various prominent members, sorted by their fields.

PPFA maintained a close relationship with the NCMH, with many physicians serving as members of both the NCMH and the PPFA's Medical Advisory Board and Research Committee. In 1947, the two developed a short-lived collaborative effort, whereby the NCMH would work with PPFA to identify promising research avenues and PPFA would fund scientists at the National Research Council to carry it out. But after the death of Robert Latou Dickinson in 1950, the NCMH became increasingly inactive and closed in 1955.

The PPFA faced a challenge to its primacy in the United States when Margaret Sanger came out of retirement after World War II to help establish the International Planned Parenthood Federation (IPPF) in 1952. Global overpopulation had become an increasingly worrisome problem, forcing the PPFA to define its role in the international arena. The wealthy American in company with World War II-ravaged European and Asian organizations, PPFA was asked to bankroll the global movement even as it struggled to provide contraceptive services to all Americans. The divisions between the two federations peaked from 1956 to 1958, when Sanger tried to hold the IPPF's international conference in the United States, only to cancel it because the PPFA was unwilling to support it, and from concerns that activists from third-world countries would perceive America's role as bullying. While activists at the PPFA were also involved in the IPPF's Western Hemisphere Region and served as officers of the IPPF, the relations between the two groups were strained in the 1950s and 1960s.

Philanthropist and businessman Hugh Moore sought to address the problem of American funding for global population control with the establishment of the World Population Emergency Committee (WPEC) in 1960. This fund-raising and public relations organization worked with businessmen, government officials and philanthropists to secure funding for the IPPF. Moore's WPEC stoked American fears of uncontrolled Third World population and succeeded in raising hundreds of thousands for IPPF programs. By the end of 1961, the WPEC and the PPFA merged, with PPFA accepting responsibility for securing funding for the IPPF in America. Most of the WPEC materials in this microfilm edition series are public relations literature, including a 1966 set of sample proposals designed for use by affiliates to link government programs and family planning, (for example, "Family Planning Programs in the War Against Poverty" [reel 10:0002].) Other literature centers on planned parenthood and population, and materials outlining "The American Businessman's Stake in Family Planning."

Part 3: Related Birth Control Organizations, 1918-1969 offers a unique look at the interactions between birth control activists, providing an insight not generally addressed in secondary literature. It complicates the view of the movement as a monolithic whole and provides examples of conflict and cooperation that highlight the goals of these activists. The records are particularly strong in

documenting organizational histories of grass-roots and national organizations³, the changing public face for birth control, and the interplay between feminist rationales for birth control and medical and population control arguments. They will be of great value to those working in the history of reproductive rights, feminism, population control, social welfare movements, international development, and public relations, focused on the middle third of the 20th century.

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³ Those interested in learning more about these organizations can consult the NCMH Records and Papers of Robert Latou Dickinson, Abraham Stone and Clarence Gamble at the Francis A. Countway Library of Medicine; the Margaret Sanger Papers, Florence Rose Papers, and the Margaret Sanger Research Bureau Records at the Sophia Smith Collection, Smith College; the Records of the American Birth Control League, which focus on the years 1921-1928, at Harvard University's Houghton Library; and the Library of Congress's collection of the Margaret Sanger Papers.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The records of the Planned Parenthood Federation of America date from 1918 to 1974 and document the work of PPFA and its predecessor organizations, national and international, in the areas of advocacy, medical research, legislative reform, public relations, as well as the work of individual administrators, staff, and affiliated organizations.

Part 3: Related Birth Control Organizations, 1918-1969 is an extremely important tool for understanding the history of birth control and the birth control movement as a whole. This collection includes historical documents on several predessor and related organizations to the Planned Parenthood Federation of America.

Reels 1-5: American Birth Control League (ABCL):

The ABCL was founded by Margaret Sanger in 1921 at the First American Birth Control Conference in New York City. The League was incorporated under the laws of New York State on April 5, 1922. Its headquarters were located at 104 Fifth Avenue, New York City from 1921–1930 and at various offices on Madison Avenue from 1931–1939. It was not associated with the National Birth Control League, founded in 1915 by Mary Coffin Ware Dennett, which was later called the Voluntary Parenthood Association.

Reels 5-9: Birth Control Federation of America (BCFA)

The BCFA was established on January 19, 1939 through a merger of the ABCL and the BCCRB. The reorganization into the BCFA was negotiated in meetings of a joint committee of representatives from both organizations. The committee concluded that only through united action and cooperative use of resources, rather than competition and duplication of services and publicity would they achieve efficiency in administration and broader acceptance of the birth control movement. At a special membership meeting held on January 29, 1942 the BCFA changed its name to the PPFA.

Reel 10: Planned Parenthood World Population

Reels 10-11: Birth Control Clincal Research Bureau (BCCRB)

The BCCRB began in 1923 as the Clinical Research Bureau (CRB), the first legal birth control clinic in the country. Opened in New York City by Margaret Sanger, the CRB operated under the auspices of the ABCL and functioned primarily as a contraceptive dispensary and research laboratory.

Reel 12: National Committee on Federal Legislation for Birth Control (NCFLBC)

On April 30, 1929, at the annual meeting of the Illinois Birth Control League, plans were ratified for the formation of NCFLBC, structured into four regions: East, South, Middle West, and West, and further divided by congressional districts. Committee organizers in Chicago elected Sanger national chairman, and set an agenda for the election of additional officers and congressional district chairman.

Reels 12-15: National Committee on Maternal Health (NCMH)

The Committee on National Health was organized in New York City in 1923 by the renowned gynecologist Robert Latou Dickinson for the purpose of sponsoring the study of contraception and related issues. At first Dickinson, who had long been interested in problems of human sexuality, directed the efforts of the Committee toward taking medical control of contraception away from Margaret Sanger's BCCRB and the ABCL. With this aim in view and with help from the Rockefeller-funded Bureau of Social Hygiene, the Maternity Research Council was created under

the auspices of the Committee. Eventually, however, Dr. Dickinson and Mrs. Sanger became the mediators through whom the medical profession and the birth control movement were able to cooperate and the Clinical Research Bureau survived under the direction of Dr. Hannah Stone. In 1930 the Committee on Maternal Health's name changed to National Committee on Maternal Health and its role shifted to that of publisher and clearing-house for public information and education.

Reel 15: National Committee for Planned Parenthood

Through the reorganization of the BCFA in 1939, the BCCRB Citizen's Committee on Planned Parenthood was renamed the National Committee for Planned Parenthood.

Reel 15: International Planned Parenthood Federation (IPPF)

Global service provider and a leading advocate of sexual and reproductive health and rights for all.

Please consult the introductions written by Cathy Moran Hajo (on pages v-x on this guide) for historical information and secific highlights of primary source materials that can be found in this current microfilm edition.

SOURCE AND EDITORIAL NOTE

This material was microfilmed from the PPFA I holdings of the Sophia Smith Collection (SSC) at Smith College in Northampton, Massachusetts. This current microfilm edition is comprised of Series I, American Birth Control League, which includes boxes 1-6; Series II, Birth Control Federation of America, which includes boxes 7-12; Series IV, Planned Parenthood World Population, which includes box 49; and Series V, Related Organization, which includes boxes 50-56. Some of the front matter for this index was created using the original SSC finding aid. The materials have been filmed as they are arranged at the Sophia Smith Collection. The documents in this microfilm publication are the best available. Every technical effort has been made to ensure legibility.

Primary Source Media recognizes the privacy issues inherent in a collection of this kind, so a redacting policy was formulated with the Planned Parenthood Federation of America to exclude the following items:

- personal names and addresses of financial donors
- patients, clients, and subjects of case studies
- pharmacists who participated in contraceptive questionnaire (form states, "All replies to the following questionnaire will be received in strict confidence")
- people invited to be on committees who refused to participate (all invitations after 1938)
- subscribers to The Birth Control Review and The Journal of Contraception
- financial information about individuals after 1938

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¹ The PPFA Records at the Sophia Smith Collection are divided into two portions, PPFA I and PPFA II, this being section I. PPFA I consists of the earlier records of the Federation (1918-74) and is completely organized and open to research. PPFA II consists of records received since 1988, dating from the 1920s to the present, so there is some overlap in dates. PPFA II records are available at SSC but are currently partially restricted.

ABBREVIATIONS AND ACRONYMS

The following abbreviations and acronyms are used in this guide.

ABCL American Birth Control League

BCCRB Birth Control Clinical Research Bureau

BCFA Birth Control Federation of America

IPPF International Planned Parenthood Federation

NCFLBC National Committee on Federal Legislation for Birth Control

NCMH National Committee on Maternal Health

PPFA Planned Parenthood Federation of America

WPEC World Population Emergency Committee

REEL INDEX

The following is a listing of the folders comprising the microfilm publication entitled *Part 3: Related Birth Control Organizations*, 1918-1969. The Reel Index lists the series and subseries, the folder title, as well as a listing of the major subjects and principal correspondents for each folder.

REEL 1

Frame #

AMERICAN BIRTH CONTROL LEAGUE (1918-1942), 1921-1939

Annual Meetings

0001 Annual Meeting, 1922.

Major subjects: Birth Control Review; Conferences; Johnson, Roswell H.; Legislative organizing; New York State; Sanger, Margaret; Western Pennsylvania Branch of the American Birth Control League.

0064 Annual Meeting, 1923.

Major subject: State Department, New York.

0078 Annual Meeting, 1924.

Major subjects: Birth Control Review; Connecticut; Laws and legislation; Legislative organizing; New York State.

0096 Annual Meeting, 1925.

Major subjects: Conferences; Legislative organizing; Sanger, Margaret.

0114 Annual Meeting, 1926.

0121 Annual Meeting, 1927.

Major subjects: Legislative organizing; New Jersey Birth Control League.

0134 Annual Meeting, 1928.

Major subjects: Conferences; Fairchild, Henry Pratt; New Jersey Birth Control League; Pennsylvania Birth Control Federation.

0157 Annual Meeting, **1929**.

Major subject: Conferences.

0178 Annual Meeting, **1930**.

Major subjects: Connecticut Birth Control League; Laws and legislation; Legislative organizing.

0194 Annual Meeting, 1931.

Major subjects: Birth control clinics; *Birth Control Review*; Conferences; Connecticut Birth Control League; Cooper, James Freyer; Illinois Birth Control League; Laws and legislation; Legislative organizing.

Principal correspondent: Porritt, Mrs. Edward.

0341 Annual Meeting, 1932.

Major subject: Birth control clinics.

0351 Annual Meeting, 1933.

0359 Annual Meeting, 1934.

Major subjects: Eugenics; Overpopulation; "Safe Period"; Wartime. Principal correspondent: Jones, Elizabeth M..

0398 "Annual Meeting, 1935 Chicago."

Major subjects: Chicago, IL; Conferences; Fairchild, Henry Pratt.

0491 "Annual Meeting, 1935 New York."

Major subject: Great Depression.

Principal correspondents: Bangs, Catherine C.; Marsh, Charlotte D..

0525 Annual Meeting, 1936.

Major subjects: Birth control clinics; Birth Control League of Texas; Birth Control Review; New Hampshire Birth Control League; North Dakota Maternal Health League.

0598 Annual Meeting, 1937.

Major subjects: Birth Control Review; Conferences; Family planning; Media.

0689 Annual Meeting, 1938.

Major subject: Birth control clinics.

O752 Annual Meeting, 1939.

Major subjects: Population; Sanger, Margaret.

Conferences

0867 First American Birth Control Conference, 1921.

Major subjects: Overpopulation; Wartime. Principal correspondent: Sanger, Margaret.

0907 National Birth Control Conference, 1929.

Major subject: Sanger, Margaret.

Principal correspondent: Jones, Elizabeth M..

Frame #

AMERICAN BIRTH CONTROL LEAGUE (1918-1942), 1921-1939, cont.

Conferences, cont.

0001	"National Birth Control Conference, 1929 Reports."		
0171	"National Birth Control Conference, 1929 Speeches." Major subjects: Children; Cole, L.J.; Eugenics; Fairchild, Henry Pratt; Infant mortality Little, Clarence C.; Maternal mortality; McCartney, James; Morality of birth control; Physicians; Wile, Ira S.; Wynne, Shirley W.		
0281	New England Conference on Birth Control, 1931.		
0297	Southern Conference on Birth Control, 1931.		
0321	New York State Birth Control Conference, 1932.		
0329	Birth Control and the Social Crisis, 1935. Major subjects: Morality of birth control; Sanger, Margaret. Principal correspondents: Benson, Marguerite; Jones, Elizabeth M		
0442	Five State Regional Conference on Birth Control, Baltimore, MD, 1935.		
0453	Five State Regional Conference on Birth Control, St. Louis, MO, 1935.		
0497	"Regional Conferences, Pittsburgh, PA, 1936." Major subjects: Pennsylvania Birth Control Federation; Sanger, Margaret. Principal correspondent: Benson, Marguerite.		
	General Administration		
0555	Administration, 1927-1938.		
0571	Advisory Council, 1926-1930.		
0584	Aims, 1921-1937.		
0608	Proposed Merger with American Eugenics Society, 1933." Major subject: Conferences. Principal correspondents: Fairchild, Henry Pratt; Jones, Elizabeth M		
0681	Annual Reports, 1935-1937.		
0763	By-Laws, 1922-1937.		

0806 Massachusetts Case: Commonwealth of Massachusetts vs. Carolyn T. Gardener, et al, 1938.

Major subjects: Birth Control League of Massachusetts; Laws and legislation.

0880 Membership and Fundraising Appeals, 1928-1931.

Principal correspondents: Jones, Elizabeth M.; Sanger, Margaret.

0969 Membership Department, 1937-1938.

REEL 3

Frame #

AMERICAN BIRTH CONTROL LEAGUE (1918-1942), 1921-1939, cont.

General Administration, cont.

0001 Miscellaneous Correspondence, 1921-1928.

Major subjects: Birth Control Review; Children; Conferences; Infant mortality; Laws and legislation; New Jersey; "Safe Period."

Principal correspondents: Bangs, Catherine C.; Benson, Marguerite; Howson, Julie B.; Wood, Mabel Travis.

0190 National Council of Lay Leaders, 1937.

Principal correspondent: Moore, Allison Pierce

- 0282 National Medical Council, 1937.
- 0285 Organization and Future Policy, 1922-1934.
- 0309 Outreach, Solicitation of Support, 1928-1930.

Major subjects: Conferences; Laws and legislation.

Principal correspondents: Howson, Julie B.; Jones, Elizabeth M..

- 0337 Public Opinion Poll, 1932.
- Publicity, Newspapers, Southern, 1934-1941.

Major subjects: Birth control clinics; National Committee for Planned Parenthood.

0385 Reports, Executive Secretary, 1922-1931.

Major subjects: Conferences; Cooper, James Freyer; Hart, Henriette; Huse, P.B.P; Kennedy, Anne.

0466 Staff Reports, 1935-1937.

Major subjects: Benson, Marguerite; Davidson, Doris; Matsner, Eric M.; Post, Marion H.; Smith, Ruth; Whitenack, Janet B.; Wood, Mabel Travis.

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0810 State Organization Report, 1937-1938.

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0546 Catalog, General, 1938.

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Major subjects: Birth control; Fairchild, Henry Pratt; Fosdick, Harry Emerson;

Overpopulation; Physicians; Religion.

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Major subject: Planned Parenthood Federation of America.

Principal correspondents: Simon, Caroline K.; Wood, Mabel Travis.

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Principal correspondent: Sanger, Margaret.

0186 "Annual Meeting, 1942 Miscellaneous."

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0441 "Annual Meeting, 1942 News Releases."

Major subjects: African Americans; Bingham, Alfred M.; Birth control; Birth control clinics; Buck, Pearl S.; Conferences; Fairchild, Henry Pratt; Ferebee, Dorothy Boulding; Guttmacher, Alan F.; Maternal and infant health; National Committee for Planned Parenthood; Overpopulation; Population; Talbot, Mrs. William R.; Wartime.

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0610 Birth Control Federation of America Conference, 1941.

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- 0742 By-laws, 1939-1943.
- 0885 Division of Negro Service, 1940.

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10073 Interdepartmental Committee to Coordinate Health and Welfare Activities, 1939.

Major subjects: Maternal and infant health; Public health (programs and services); Roosevelt, Franklin D.; Switzer, Mary; Treasury Department, U.S.

0155 Miscellaneous Meetings, 1934-1940.

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Major subjects: American Birth Control League; Birth Control Review; Maternal Health League of Michigan.

Principal correspondent: Wood, Mabel Travis.

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0810 General, 1938-1941.

Major subjects: Birth control methods; Birth Control Review; Margaret Sanger Research Bureau; Medical literature.

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0001 Medical, 1937-1941.

Major subject: Birth control methods.

0076 Reprints, 1937-1940.

Major subjects: Birth control methods; Medical literature; Population.

0115 Literature Catalog, 1939.

Major subjects: Birth control clinics; Birth control methods; Birth Control Review; Child spacing; Children; Du Bois, William Edward Burghardt; Infant mortality; Laws and legislation; Medical literature; National Committee for Planned Parenthood.

0587 Literature Catalog, General, 1941.

Major subjects: Birth control clinics; Child spacing; Children; Infant mortality; Laws and legislation; Maternal mortality; National Committee for Planned Parenthood; Overpopulation; Population; Puerto Rico; Roman Catholic Church.

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0501	"Journal of Contraception Postal Regulations, 1938-1939."
0579	"Journal of Contraception Printing, 1937-1939."
0596	"Journal of Contraception Promotion Program, 1938-1939."
0636	"Journal of Contraception Questionnaire, 1936."
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0001 "Family Planning Programs in the War Against Poverty," 1966.

Major subjects: Birth control clinics; Office of Economic Opportunity; Planned Parenthood Association of Cincinnati; Planned Parenthood Association of Kent County; Planned Parenthood Committee of York County; Planned Parenthood Federation of America; Population; Tennessee.

0167 Literature, 1963-1966.

Major subjects: Africa; Family planning; International Planned Parenthood Federation (IPPF); Overpopulation; Population.

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Major subjects: Family planning; Pope Paul VI; Roman Catholic Church.

0383 Newsletters, Reports, 1961-1963, n.d.

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Major subjects: Birth control methods; Family planning; Overpopulation.

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Major subjects: Citizens Crusade Against Poverty; Conferences; Family planning; Overpopulation; Planned Parenthood of Metropolitan Washington; Pope Paul VI; Poverty; Roman Catholic Church.

0732 Newsletters, Reports, 1967-1968.

Major subjects: Conferences; Family planning; Poverty.

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Major subjects: Birth control clinics; Birth Control Council of America; *Birth Control Review;* Child spacing; Children; Infant mortality; Ishimoto, Baroness Shidzue; Laws and legislation; Maternal mortality; National Committee on Federal Legislation for Birth Control; Physicians; Virginia.

Principal correspondents: Benson, Marguerite; Damon, Cecil A.;

Moore, Allison Pierce; Sanger, Margaret.

0248 Merger with ABCL Clinical Research Department, 1938.

Principal correspondents: Rose, D. Kenneth; Sanger, Margaret.

- 0409 Progress Report, 1937.
- 0432 Conference on Problems of Conception, 1936-1937.

Major subjects: Birth control clinics; Council on Problems of Conception; National Committee on Federal Legislation for Birth Control.

- 0480 "Literature General, 1937-1939."
- 0778 "Literature Catalog, 1937."

Major subjects: Gandhi, Mohandas Karamchand; Sanger, Margaret.

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0001 Annual Report, 10/1/35-9/30/36.

Major subject: Laws and legislation.

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Major subject: Sanger, Margaret.

Principal correspondent: Myers, Louise Chase.

0174 Law, 1924-1934.

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Principal correspondents: Bangs, Catherine C.; Sanger, Margaret.

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0819 Miscellaneous Legislation, 1919-1924.

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Principal correspondent: Sanger, Margaret.

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0218	Correspondence, 1928-1932. Major subjects: American Birth Control League; Laws and legislation. Principal correspondents: Bryant, Louise Stevens; Huse, Penelope
0269	Correspondence, 1933-1937. Major subjects: American Birth Control League; Birth control clinics; Birth control methods. Principal correspondents: Benson, Marguerite; Huse, Penelope
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0843	Executive Committee, 1940-1946. Principal correspondent: Folsome, Clair E.
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0866 Research Proposals, 1942-1949.

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Major subject: Conferences.

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Major subjects: Black, Algernon D.; Dick, Dorothy Hamilton; Morality of birth control.

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Principal correspondents: Campbell, Lorianne L.; Houghton, Vera; Sanger, Margaret.

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- 0572 President's Memorandum Series, 1958-1959.
- 0591 Sixth International Conference on Planned Parenthood, 1959.

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