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Predetermination of a child's sex, foster pregnancies, and the development of a race of supermen will all be possible in the relatively near future, says the eminent geneticist and Nobel Prize winner Dr. Hermann J. Muller in the February 1960 issue of Sexology Magazine.

Dr. Muller maintains that man is barely emerging to the recognition of his genetic responsibilities to his successors and that reproduction will have to be freed from the tyranny of short-sighted sexual urges. Within the lifetime of many living today, he says, it will be possible to produce at will twins or other multiple births as well as to select the sex of a child.

Foster pregnancy is already possible, he says, that is, the implantation and normal development within the uterus of a fertilized egg derived from elsewhere. And, he believes, it will not be too long before it is actually accomplished. Carrying through on this theory, he maintains that science will be able to unite the sperm and egg of exceptional persons -- preferably already deceased for at least 20 years so that their characteristics may be objectively judged -- and transplant them into the body of a living foster mother for development and birth.

This practice, Dr. Muller believes, will make it possible to produce offspring of exceptional mental, physical and moral characteristics and thus greatly improve the human race. To carry out this practice, he envisions banks of deep-frozen germ cells and multiplying tissue cultures. Even further predictability of progeny will be possible with a form of foster parthenogenesis (fertilization without the male) in which the nucleus from a human egg will be replaced by one from a cell of some eminent pre-existing person. Thus the offspring's heredity will be solely determined by one individual of

outstanding characteristics to whom the offspring will be as closely related genetically as if he were an identical twin!

The feasibility of such a development, Dr. Muller admits, depends on the triumph of peace, freedom, and rationality. Just as man will one day control the amazing constellations without, so will he guide his own evolution, Dr. Muller believes, by controlling the even more amazing course of his genes within.

One of the world's outstanding geneticists, Dr. Muller is professor of Zoology at Indiana University. He was awarded the Nobel Prize for medical physiology in 1946 and served as president of the Eighth International Congress of Genetics in 1948. He has lectured in universities all over the world and has authored such books as "Out of the Night", "Genetics Medicine and Man" among others, as well as numerous articles and papers on genetics.

Sexology Magazine, published by Hugo Gernsback, is now in its 26th year. It is an authoritative guide to wholesome and scientific sex education which numbers on its staff two clergymen as well as a board of 10 eminent medical specialists who serve as consultants.

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"Unbelievable as it may seem," says Dr. Eugene B. Mozes, coroner of Stark County, Ohio, and author of "Sex Facts and Fiction for Teen-Agers," "authorities estimate that one out of every twenty brides is still a virgin at the end of her first year of marriage!"--Sexology Magazine.

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"In England it seems that blackmail of homosexuals is encouraged by the law rather than otherwise," says Dr. Clifford Allen, Consultant Psychiatrist to the English Ministry of Pensions. Citing a case mentioned in the recent Wolfenden Government Report on Homosexuality where a blackmailed man went to the police and as a result he and the blackmailer were both sent to prison, Dr. Allen comments: "This is a truly fantastic state of affairs, one which makes the homosexual so desperate that he may sometimes be tempted to murder or suicide as his only way out."--Sexology Magazine.

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"In general," says London psychologist F.R.C. Casson, "it has been found that a three-to-six months engagement helps to avoid marrying unwisely." On the other hand, he added, very long engagements do not necessarily mean that the marriage will turn out well. "An unduly long engagement," Dr. Casson explains, "may mean that the couple are not very enthusiastic about marrying, or that there are serious social or economic difficulties."--Sexology Magazine.

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In some cases, a woman's mental urge to become pregnant is so powerful that she actually does manifest all the usual signs of pregnancy. In one recent case, a 37-year-old Oklahoma woman persisted in showing all these signs in spite of the fact that all her reproductive organs had been removed by an operation and she could not possibly have a child. Not until the occurrence of severe "labor pains," lasting for 24 hours, did the false pregnancy finally come to an end, five long months after it had started.--Sexology Magazine.

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Although little attention is paid to venereal diseases in medical education today, there are almost 3,000 patients in New York State hospitals alone who are suffering from general paresis, a disease of the brain caused by neglected syphilis.--Sexology Magazine.

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A husband and wife caught kissing in the streets or parks in Cairo, Egypt, can be arrested. Some couples have even been arrested on charges of "suspicion of intention to kiss or hug."--Sexology Magazine.

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"Contrary to popular belief," says Dr. Eugene B. Mozes, Coroner of Stark County, Ohio, and author of "Sex Facts and Fiction for Teen-Agers," "vitamins of any kind or in any amount do not have the slightest influence on potency, regardless of the lurid advertisements." "Those 'secret' remedies to restore 'lost manhood,'" he adds, "invariably consist of vitamins and consequently are a complete waste of money."--Sexology Magazine.

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"Everyone is familiar with the story of Nero 'fiddling' while Rome burned," says Dr. Richard Drake Saunders, composer and music editor, "though few realize that the instrument Nero used was not a violin but a sort of lyre, plucked with the fingers."--Sexology Magazine.

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"Uncertainty over marital sexual adjustment is more often mentioned as a problem of concern by boys over eighteen than any other problem," writes Dr. Lester A. Kirkendall, Professor of Family Life at Oregon State College. Dr. Kirkendall found, in a study he made of male worries and concerns, in a group of 50 boys between the ages of 18 and 22, all but five said they either were or had been worried about some aspect of sexual adjustment in marriage.--Sexology Magazine.

"In many primitive societies," writes Dr. Eric J. Dingwall, author of "The American Woman," "homosexual and sex-changing inclinations have found free expression." In a number of North American Indian tribes, he points out, men have dressed as women, done women's work and lived with other women as their wives. Some of the Algonquian tribes used on occasion to give a ceremonial feast to those males, called berdaches, who were brought up as women.--Sexology Magazine.

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Adultery has been treated in many unusual ways, writes Dr. Wilfrid D. Hambly, Curator (retired) of African Ethnology of the Chicago Museum of Natural History. "In ancient Rome, Greece and Egypt," he notes, "a woman suspected of adultery might prove her innocence by offering honeycakes to the sacred snakes in a temple. If the reptiles ate the cakes, this was proof that the charges of adultery were unfounded. Among the Tasmanians an adulterous man had his leg pierced with spears, while an offending woman was cut to death with stone implements. In some Australian tribes, an adulterous male, armed only with a small shield, had to stand an assault with spears and boomerangs from the offended husband; if he did this successfully he might take the wife." --Sexology Magazine.

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"Some of the strangest exhibitionists on record," writes Dr. L. T. Woodward, "are elderly men and upright spinsters who, after leading long lives of continence and decorum, suddenly seem to snap under the continued strain and give rein to exhibitionistic impulses, often without realizing what it is they are doing."--Sexology Magazine.

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