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Dear Chet:

My "research" on the English population question must, for the time being, consist of the following from the Encyclopedia Britannica, Volume 8, 1946 edition:

On page 464 is a graph showing that England was supporting 8 million people in 1800 at the beginning of the Industrial Revolution. From that date, there is a steady trend upward to the present 50 million -- although the rate of increase has not been so rapid since 1911 as it was before.

At the bottom of the same page is this sentence: "Late in the 18th Century, mortality of infants under the age of five was as high as 75% of the births, and had been reduced in by 1940 to about 5%." Again, this decrease in infant deaths began with the Industrial Revolution.

I seem to have gotten most of my information on this subject from Dr. Mises and Dr. Watts. When next I see one of them, I'll ask for more detailed references. Meanwhile I wanted to send along the only available copy we have of Poirot's unpublished manuscript on Social Security. I'm sorry this is so far short of the number you asked for, but our supply has become completely exhausted and we have no plans for reproducing it again.

See you in May.

Sincerely,

Dean Russell

P. S. In our next release, "Where Karl Marx Went Wrong" (enclosed) Pettengill throws some light on this same idea.