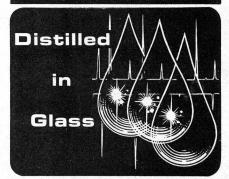
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Sir:

In your editorial in the February 1972 issue of American Laboratory, you state: "If, for example, the advocates of ZPG actively support equality and freedom of opportunity for women, blacks, Puerto Ricans, Indians, Orientals, Appalachians and others and the removal of abortion as a legal matter, as well as realistic sex education and family planning services, they might eliminate the ZPG problem completely, if there is one." Perhaps you are not aware that there is a national organization, Zero Population Growth, Inc., whose goals you have described fairly well in the above sentence. As acting coordinator of Tucson ZPG last year, I received their publication: ZPG National Reporter. For more information on this, their address is: Zero Population Growth, 4080 Fabian Way, Palo Alto, Calif. 94303. JACK RYAN, Ph.D.

Sir:

I am sure you can expect some "heat" for your editorial in the September issue of American Laboratory. For whatever it is worth, I think your points are extremely well taken. Congratulations! DEAN O. CLIVER, Ph.D. Madison, Wis.

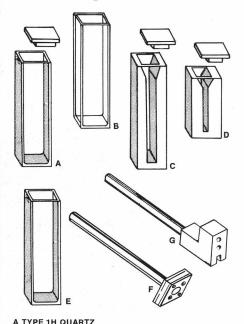
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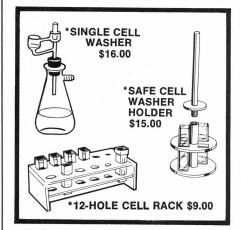
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