

# Birth Control Advocate Is Arrested in Freehold

William R. Baird, director of the Parents Aid Society, was arrested yesterday in front of the Monmouth County Courthouse in Freehold, N. J., as he challenged a New Jersey law prohibiting the distribution of birth control information.

Mr. Baird, accompanied by a dozen members of his organization, which is based in Hempstead, L. I., displayed a blue board describing birth control devices.

He was released for a hearing Wednesday night on a charge of violating a state law against giving out birth control information. He is challenging the constitutionality of the statute.

The Baird group picketed the county courthouse to protest a proposal to prosecute unwed mothers who apply for welfare aid for their dependent children in Monmouth County. The proposal is to come up Wednesday at a Board of Freeholders meeting. The Baird group plans another demonstration in front of the courthouse Wednesday.

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