

Eugenics as a Secular Religion

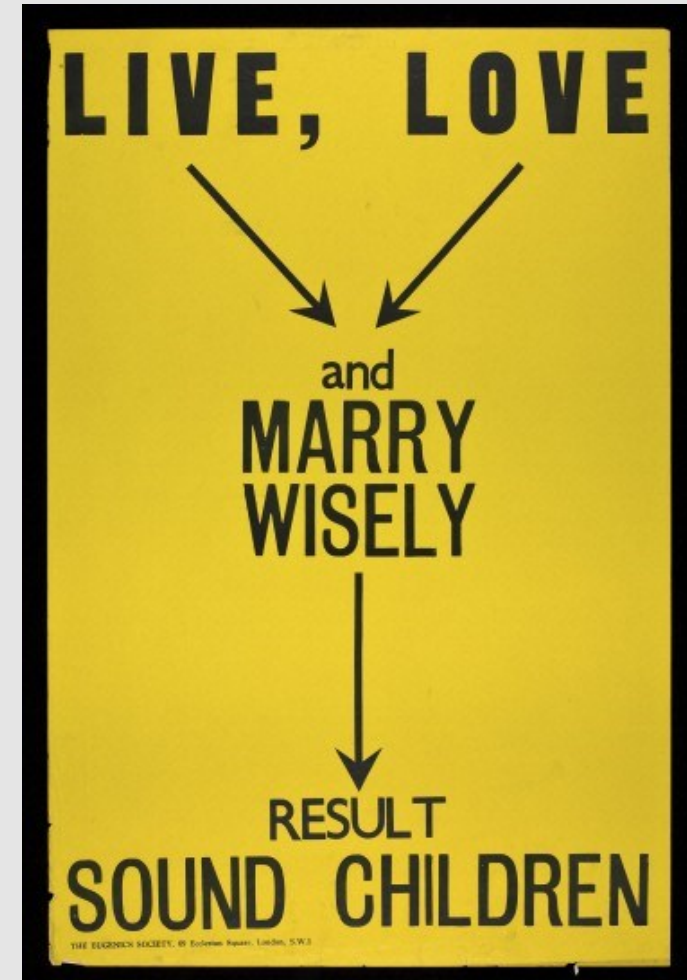
6.00 pm | 1st October | Berrick Saul Building | University of York

An evening lecture with Dr **Marius Turda** (Oxford Brookes University)

In this lecture, Dr Turda investigates the interpretation of eugenics as a secular religion. He explores the idea that there is a need to understand eugenics not only as a specialised scientific research into the quality of the population but also as a means to produce new meaning and purpose. This is not to argue that eugenics was a modern secular surrogate for religion, or for a model that defines eugenics as a secular religion simply based on the premise that its ideological content was non-Christian or anti-Christian. What this lecture will propose instead is to return to Galton's views on eugenics as a secular religion and read them historically.

All welcome, no booking necessary

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