Maybe Malthus needs to update his prediction

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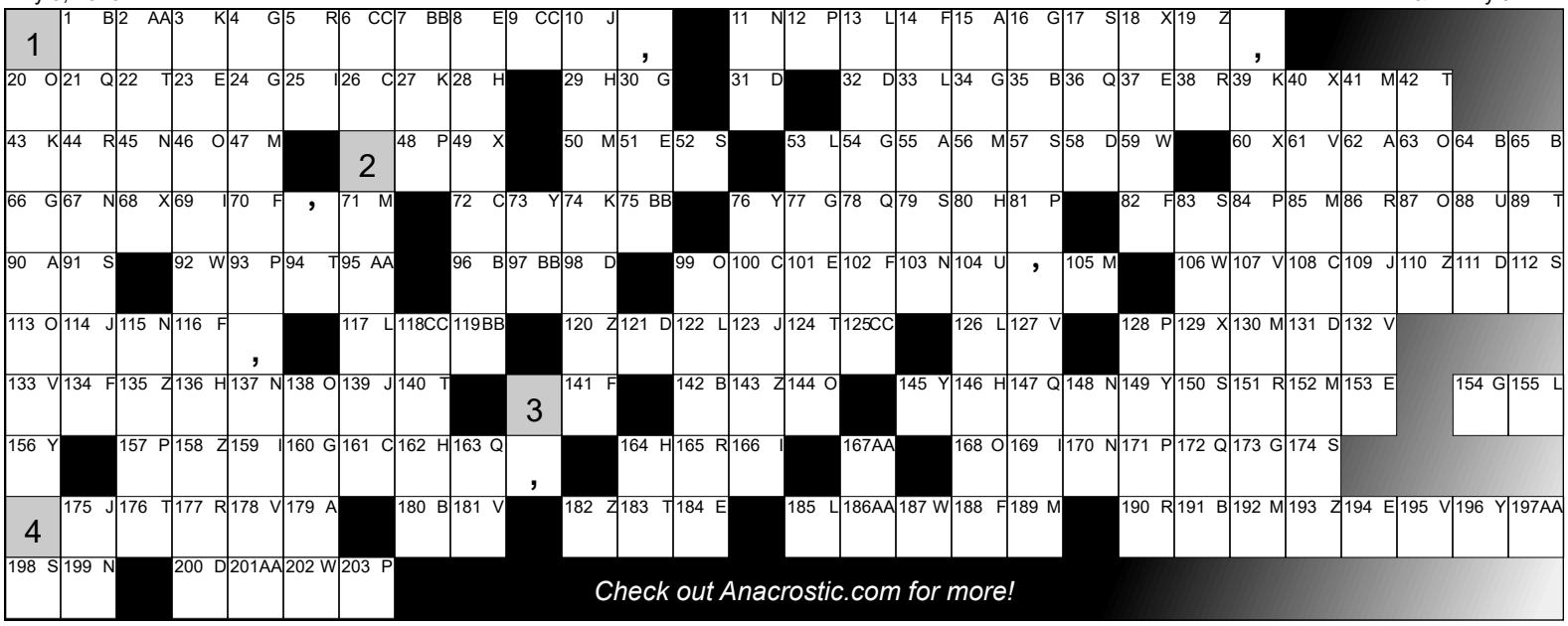

A 90 179 55 62 15
Unifying factor … such as, in this puzzle, the topic of birth rates

B 35 191 142 96 180 1 64 65
Biblical edict given to Adam and Eve about birth rates: "Be fruitful and ___ and fill the earth"

C 100 108 161 26 72
Key demographic factor about the county in the next question

D 200 121 32 111 31 131 58 98
Nearby Indiana county with state's highest birth rate at 18.9 births per 1,000 people

E 37 51 8 23 101 184 153 194
Elkhart County's birth rate (+.6) ranking it tied for 8th out of Indiana's 92 counties

F 14 134 82 102 188 70 116 141
Longstanding Mexican food restaurant at the Linway Plaza

G 4 77 173 34 30 54 154 160 16 24 66
Not buying it

H 28 146 162 136 29 164 80
Feeling one gets when they realize they aren't going to win

I 166 169 25 159 69
Classic rock group *Blood, Sweat, and* ___ who crooned, "And when I die, and when I'm gone … there'll be one child born in this world to carry on"

J 139 123 109 175 114 10
A first-place finisher gets a blue one

K 74 39 3 27 43
Snake

L 33 185 155 117 53 122 126 13
Thrilled to the max

M 85 41 192 50 - 152 47 - 189 130 56 105 71
Golden Tempo's dramatic run in the Kentucky Derby

N 45 137 103 148 67 199 115 11 170
Change in U.S. birth rates per woman from Depression to height of Baby Boom (1946-1964)

O 144 . 168 20 87 113 46 99 63 138
Home state of Anna Jarvis, from which she founded Mother's Day in 1908

P 157 93 48 128 81 203 171 84 12
Added your two cents to the debate

Q 172 163 21 78 147 36
Refuse to acknowledge someone or some thing

R 5 44 190 38 151 86 165 177
Canine known for its friendly temperament

S 112 198 79 174 83 17 91 150 52 57
Country with the lowest birth rate in the world at .7 births per woman (Note: this is a different metric than used in Question D.)

T 124 89 94 - 22 183 176 42 140
Policy in China to deal with birth rates from 1980-2016 … now completely reversed as China's birth rate is lower than Japan's

U 104 88
Nebraska, in postal shorthand

V 132 ___ 61 127 181 178 107 133 195
Dark lyric about birth rates from the song *In the Year 2525*: "In the year 6565 / Ain't gonna need no husband; won't need no wife / You'll pick your son, pick your daughter, too / From the bottom of a long __ __"

W 92 106 187 202 59
Kitchen implement

X 40 129 49 60 68 18
Morning joe

Y 149 73 145 76 156 196
Legal Latin preceding "corpus"

Z 110 19 ___ 135 158 182 193 143 120
One of the most consistent inverse correlations with birth rates: as it goes up, rates go down

AA 197 2 95 186 201 167
Golden-domed cathedral in Istanbul

BB 7 97 119 75
Thou's cousin

CC 125 9 6 118
Like Adam in Question B, he received the same edict

Puzzle solution found elsewhere in this edition

1. ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ 2. ___ ___ ' ___ ___ ___ ___ 3. ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ 4. ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ' ___

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