

# *The Henry George School in News*

**RIPON**, Wisconsin has a Henry George School, thanks to the efforts of George M. Menninger, Jr., who has opened headquarters at 107 West Fond du Lac Street. He literally grew up in Georgism, since he attended national and local HGS meetings for many years with his parents from Chicago. Usually the youngest person present, he was destined either to rebel at the loneliness of his position or become an expert.

His announcement of his first Henry George class, published in the local newspaper, was a full length two-column advertisement urging receptivity to new ideas. He was himself a prime exponent of this attitude, as he quietly, and with his own funds, went to work for the principles in which he believes, selecting a small college town for his experiment. Though disappointed at the meager response, he is not defeated. Even if only one student came to listen, he might turn out to be another torch bearer. Viewed in retrospect the success of this experiment may be surprising.

**DETROIT** has started its 15th year with eight "Economic Conversations" or basic courses—two in the downtown YMCA and the rest in various high schools. Students are invited to "see where wages come from how wealth is divided and how inflation shrinks social security, pension plans and savings."

**SAN DIEGO** is our most literary extension, since it meets in the book shop presided over by Roy Davidson. A fall class is now in session there, and the initial effort was well publicized.

On September 9th the members gathered at a birthday party for Louise McLean, who, at 84, was affectionately

celebrated for her loyal, enthusiastic and willing support of the Henry George principles, through good years and poor years. In a field in which the men seem to predominate as stars, it is gratifying to honor this woman who has given a lifetime of voluntary service and whose name will always be among the faithful.

James Palmer, who recently returned from Japan, gave a review of his trip, with a showing of films.

**FAIRHOPE**, in Alabama, has enrolled 14 students in a Fundamental Economics course under the leadership of Claude W. Arnold, chairman of an Education Committee recently formed by the Fairhope Single Tax Corporation. This is an expansion of the work previously directed by Bruce Evans, Jr.

**MIAMI** students came back after the hurricane, for continuation of their interesting Fundamental Economics class at the Ida M. Fisher Community School taught by the director, Raymond Abrams.

**NEW YORK** has one dozen Fundamental Economics classes in progress at headquarters, one of them in Spanish. Also available in Spanish are Economic Science and Agrarian Reform. Applied Economics is presented both in French and English. Other subjects, some of them new, are Human Rights, Science vs. Superstition, Current Events, The United Nations, Teachers Training and Economic Science.

The Friday-at-Eight series begins on October 9th with a discussion on Shaw and Henry George by Rhoda Hellman. On October 22nd Dorothy Sara will illustrate how "Handwriting Reveals Personality." Film programs will be enjoyed on October 15th and 29th.