LAND AND FREEDOM

New York. The program will include a round-table discussion on the topic, "Roads to Georgeism." About half a dozen Georgeists, representing different points of view, will discuss their ideas on the best methods to advance Georgeism. All Georgeists are invited to attend. Admission is free.

Readers are invited to send for a complimentary copy of "A Proposal for Georgeist Action Now," an eloquent plea based on the writings of Henry George and an analysis of the present world situation. Address your request to: Mr. Elbert E. Josefson, Secretary, American Alliance to Advance Freedom, Suite 505, 22 West 48th Street, New York, N. Y.

## The Two Commonweals

After a lapse of some time, we are happy to receive a letter from J. W. Graham Peace. He writes:

"It is now a long time since I have seen LAND AND FREEDOM. I am lost without word from American friends. The war must be the reason, I suppose.

"In case you had thought us dead, let me tell you that nearly 200 meetings were held during last year; and in spite of the blackout and numerous other inconveniences, several open air meetings have been held in central London—often interrupted by the barking of the A-A guns a few hundred yards away from our stand.

"There will be much to report when the present check (it is not a ban) is eased, and the press is restored to its former freedom. Don't misunderstand me. The censorship is voluntary—if the writer is prepared to take the consequences of any mistake he may make in judging the likely effect of his writing upon readers here or overseas."

Mr. Peace is hoping to re-establish his admirable little weekly publication, *Commonweal*, which was temporarily suspended when the war broke out. If interested in supporting this paper, communicate with Mr. J. W. Graham Peace, 6 The Close, Rayners Lane, Pinner, Middlesex, England.

Another Commonweal that was suspended for a while and has recently been revived, is the New Zealand publication of that name, edited by T. E. McMillan. The January-February issue contains a discussion of the New Zealand Labor Government's policy on land nationalization. A leasehold tenure has been devised, to supplant the old free-hold tenure. The People's Movement, a political organization, is endeavoring to restore a true freehold system, and New Zealand Georgeists see in this an opportunity to influence the People's Movement with Henry George's proposals. If interested in the New Zealand Commonweal, address T. E. McMillan, Hohaia Street, Matamata, New Zealand.

## Australia

In the House of Assembly elections, on March 29th, there were three candidates advocating Henry George principles. They were: Charles Hobbs, for the District of Stuart, J. P. Moore, for the District of Eyre; and our old friend, E. J. Craigie, for the District of Flinders. Mr. Craigie is a candidate for re-election, the other two being new candidates. We have not yet received the results of the voting. It will be reported in our next issue.

In the Manifesto to the Electors, the three men stand for undiluted Georgeism. To quote: "We are aware that governmental activities cannot be maintained without revenue, and we also know there is no justification for the taxation of industry until the natural revenue proves insufficient to meet the cost of all necessary government. What is this Natural Revenue? It is the Land Rent Fund. How is this brought into existence? Simply by the presence of the people! . . . Any student of economics knows that in the centers where there is the greatest population and where social services have been provided to the greatest extent, there also will be found the highest unimproved land values. This is because of the operation of a natural law which automatically provides a land value fund sufficient to defray the cost of necessary government services . . . . Up to the present party governments have allowed this community-created fund to be appropriated by private individuals, and have then taxed industry to meet the cost of government; with the result that many forms of industry have broken under the strain. Are you going to allow this unjust policy to continue?"

There will also be Georgeist candidates in the May elections in New South Wales. The People's Advocate reports the formation of a new Georgeist party, the New Social Order Party. We quote: "The Party is a development from the Henry George School of Social Science in New South Wales. The young men associated with the School hold the opinion that political action is necessary to apply Henry George principles to the vital affairs of life, hence it is their intention to run candidates at the forthcoming elections in New South Wales next May. We wish them success in their efforts, and trust that they will be able to secure the election of a number of their members to voice sound principles in the New South Wales halls of legislature."

Argentina

A remarkable series of lectures was given Yby Sr. B. Machello of Rosario, presenting in a didactic and popular way the abstruse principles of Henry George's "Science of Political Economy." The lectures, delivered at a motion picture theater, were heightened by the use of pictorial slides, illustrating the three factors of the world, the laws of production and the laws of distribution. The project was undertaken with the cooperation of the Cinematografia Colon Studios.