

HENRY GEORGE SCHOOL OF SOCIAL SCIENCE

Westminster. Total enrolment for the Winter Session of economic classes, which opened on January 20, 21 and 22, was 68 of which 42 were new students for the Basic Course and 26 were advanced students for the course on International Trade. The tutors for the six classes and the days of attendance are as follows:—

Tuesdays	— Basic Course	— V. G. Saldji
"	— " "	— Dr. R. Johne
Wednesdays	— " "	— L. A. Stevenson
Thursdays	— " "	— E. Baush
"	— International Trade	— V. G. Saldji
Fridays	— " "	— L. A. Stevenson

Much of the clerical work in preparation for the new term was undertaken by the regular Tuesday night volunteer squad who in addition assisted in the distribution of leaflets advertising the School. Advertising was spread over a number of weekly papers among which were the *New Statesman & Nation*, *Tribune*, *Liberal News*, *Peace News* and the new *London Forward*.

Basic Course classes this term are using for their text book the proofs of the new edition of *Progress and Poverty* which has been abridged, rearranged and revised for the modern reader by Mr. A. W. Madsen, Principal of the School in consultation with his colleagues Mr. V. H. Blundell and Mr. P. R. Stubbings. Previous students had difficulty in covering their reading assignments in one week. Future students will have only about half as much to read. So skilfully, however, has the work been done that nothing has been left out that is essential to the understanding of Henry George's teaching. As the book is not yet ready in completed form, students are receiving sections of the book week by week. The use of this new edition as a text book for classes has meant a complete revision of the questions and answers, and opportunity has been taken to improve them in the light of experience.

Hornsey. Following on talks by Mr. W. E. Bland and Mr. L. A. Stevenson, given to the newly formed Hornsey Young Liberal Association recently, a request was made for a tutor to conduct a Basic Course for members. As the numbers were few the course was opened to others living in the area. The Young Liberals assisted in the publicity and distributed a number of School leaflets. Particularly successful in recruiting students were the advertisements placed on a local bus route—thirty buses displaying the School's posters. On the opening night, January 21, twenty-two students enrolled for the ten-week Course. The Class meets on Wednesday, at 8 p.m., at Rokesly School, Crouch End, and is conducted by Mr. Ron. Blundell.

Enfield. The third class to be held in this area opened at 8 p.m. on Wednesday, January 21, at the George Spicer School with an attendance of seventeen. Tutor is Mr. W. J. Cadman. Students from the previous classes assisted in the distribution, often in foggy and very cold weather, of three thousand School leaflets. Mr. Cadman was greatly helped in organising the classes by Messrs. A. Burton, O. French, T. A. Ende and T. Forsyth. Mr. Ende was responsible for a two-column "write up" in the *Enfield Gazette* which gave an account of an interview with Mr. Cadman in which he outlined the work of the Henry George School. Newspaper advertisements, leaflets, posters and other publicity have done much to make the School more known in Enfield. The hardworking nucleus of workers that Mr. Cadman has built around him augurs well for the future of this branch.

Ilford. Under the guidance of Mr. K. Baynes and with the assistance of the Ilford Georgeists much has been done to publicise the new class for the Basic Course which opened at Gants Hill Central Library on Wednesday, January 28, at 8 p.m. This is the third class to be held here, the first being at the instigation of the Ilford Young Liberals, a number of whom subsequently inaugurated the Ilford branch of the

Georgeists. Over a thousand leaflets were distributed in public places, and displayed on the counters of branch libraries (the latter being responsible for a good proportion of the enrolments). Space for posters was also secured on the boards outside the branch libraries. Special circulars were sent to all known Liberals in the area advising them of the new class. Associated with Mr. Baynes in this work were Messrs. J. Osborn, H. Tasker, D. Stuart, J. Bennett and Miss P. Townsend. Attendance on the opening night was seventeen. The Tutor for the session is Mr. Charles Aitken.

Croydon. In preparation for the new class which begins on Thursday, February 5, at Oval Road School, 3,000 School leaflets are being distributed by past students. The method of distributing these to individual houses in the neighbourhood, though calling for much time and stamina, has proved a rewarding method of recruitment, and Mrs. J. O'Leary, the organiser, and her co-workers have not flinched from the task. The new class will be conducted by P. O'Leary assisted by Mr. C. Nelms.

Manchester. The mid-term class which began on November 24, is still in progress. It is conducted by Mr. C. S. Lees and held weekly at Forsyth's Restaurant in the centre of the city.

Glasgow. Reporting from Glasgow Dr. F. M. Smith, tutor and joint organiser with Mr. R. J. Rennie, of the Henry George Classes, writes: "We are gradually getting ourselves into shape with the addition of one or two *really* keen people every so often. The Georgeists (the product of previous classes) are struggling to establish themselves and are getting a fair attendance at monthly meetings. The active membership is twenty-five. Of the two recent basic classes held and conducted concurrently one was disappointing but the other very successful . . . By bringing new people in through the School and through the Georgeists we are definitely consolidating." New classes for the Basic Course and International Trade began on January 21.

Successful Fund Raiser. A highly successful Christmas Party for students and friends of the School was held at the Abbey Community Centre, on December 13. More than seventy people attended. The organisers found themselves with a stage as part of the equipment hired with the Hall and at very short notice good use was made of it. An hour's entertainment was arranged which included songs and sketches. Games and folk dancing were also a feature of the party and a profit of £6 was made for the funds of the School. The success of the occasion was due to Mrs. Peggy Saldji and her co-organisers including the master of ceremonies Mr. Frank Docherty and his able assistant Mr. John Bennett.

Week-End School at Dorking. Reservations for the forthcoming week-end Conference at the Beatrice Webb House, Dorking, Surrey, to be held on March 28 and 29 are steadily coming in. The title of the Conference is "Henry George versus the Modern Economists," and the lectures will deal with social and economic problems of to-day under the headings: Colonial Development, Land Tenure in Kenya, the Economics of Keynes; Local Rating and Local Government Acts, Town and Country Planning Bills; Agriculture—the Government, the Farmer and the Consumer. The talk on the Economics of Keynes will include the showing of a coloured film strip issued by *Encyclopaedia Britannica*. Full discussion periods will follow each session. Speakers will include: C. A. E. Aitken, V. H. Blundell, Frank Dupuis, W. E. Fox, L. J. Hubbard, A. W. Madsen, C. Nelms, V. G. Saldji, and a guest speaker. The sessions commence at 2.30 p.m. on Saturday, March 28, and finish at 6 p.m. on Sunday, March 29. Charge for the full period including all meals and gratuities (but excluding mid-morning and evening refreshments) is 27s. 6d. Those who wish to attend are advised to reserve places now with a deposit of 5s., which should be sent to Dorking Conference Organiser, C/o the School, 4 Great Smith Street, London, S.W.1.