

INTERNATIONAL CENTENARY CONFERENCE IN NEW YORK CITY

Hotel Commodore, August 30th to September 2nd, 1939

SUMMARY OF PROGRAMME

THE CONFERENCE will open with an address of welcome by a representative of the City of New York to which responses will be made by Mr Bue Björner, President of the International Union for Land Value Taxation and Free Trade, Mrs Anna George de Mille, President of the Board of Regents of the Henry George School of Social Science and Mr George E. Evans, President of the Henry George Foundation of America.

The printed papers of which a list is given on this page will be presented in convenient groups at various sessions of the Conference, being briefly introduced either by the authors or by some delegate on behalf of the author.

In addition to the printed papers, addresses will be delivered by the Hon Lawson Purdy, President of the Robert Schalkenbach Foundation, Mr Clarence B. Streit, author of *Union Now*, Professor Hiram B. Jome of Depauw University on "A Lesson in Continuity," Rabbi Michael Aaronsohn on "Farewell to Magic," Mr Walter Fairchild on "The Beauty and Blight of a Great City," Mr H. B. Cowan on "Georgeist Approach to Business," Mr Gilbert M. Tucker of the Tax Relief Association, and Mr Nathan Hillman of the Henry George Fellowship.

Among those taking the Chair at the various sessions will be Messrs DeWitt Bell, Leon T. Arpin, M. B. Thomson, Ezra Cohen, Reginald Zalles, Michael, J. Bernstein and George Green.

The final evening session will take the form of a Banquet (at the Hotel Commodore) presided over by Mr C. O. Steele, at which the speakers will be the Hon Francis Neilson, the Hon Peter Witt, and Mr Jakob E. Lange of Denmark.

Next day, 2nd September, the centenary date, the Conference meets at Luncheon in the "Casino of Nations," at the World's Fair, Mr B. J. Hoffman presiding. The speakers will include Judge Samuel Seabury and Mr Richard R. Stokes, M.P.

Arrangements are being made for the Conference to have radio time every night and the Saturday afternoon addresses at the Luncheon will probably be broadcast entire. Moreover, it is expected that prominent Conference members from Europe and Australia will give special talks on the radio during their stay in New York.

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Attending from Europe are Mr Bue Björner, President of the International Union, Mrs Caroline Björner, Mr Jakob E. Lange and Mr Morten Lange from Denmark; Mr F. C. R. Douglas, M.A., Mr George Green, Mr Ashley Mitchell and Mr R. R. Stokes, from Great Britain and N. Ireland.

Mr Douglas and Mr Stokes will be present at the Centenary Celebration in Montreal on September 7th.

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List of Printed Papers

(Published and printed by the International Union for Land Value Taxation and Free Trade. Price of complete set, 5s. or \$1 post free.)

1. *Principle and Policy*, by Henry George.
2. *Presidential Address*, by Bue Björner.
3. *The Man Who Invented Plenty*, by A. C. Campbell.
4. *Karl Marx's Theories of Surplus Value and Land Rent*, by F. C. R. Douglas, M.A.
5. *Tax Delinquency in the United States*, by J. Rupert Mason.
6. *American Exploitation of Fuels and Minerals*, by Will Lissner.
7. *A Letter from Henry George, with Comment by Jakob E. Lange*.
8. *Some Theoretical and Practical Aspects of Land Value Taxation*, by F. C. R. Douglas, M.A.
9. *The Public Status of Land Value Taxation in Great Britain*, by A. W. Madsen and Eustace Davies.
10. *Land Valuation and Taxation in Denmark*, by K. J. Kristensen.
11. *Land Value Taxation in New Zealand*, by G. M. Fowlds.
12. *The Taxing and Rating of Land Values in Australia*, by E. J. Craigie, M.P.
13. *Local Taxation in South Africa*, by F. A. W. Lucas, K.C.
14. *Effects of Land Value Policies in Canada*, by Ernest J. Farmer, B.A.
15. *British Columbia: The Work of a Pioneer*, by Alexander Hamilton.
16. *France: A Political and Economic Survey*, by Sam Meyer and A. Daudé-Bancel.
17. *Distribution of Land and Taxation in Germany*, by Dr. Kurt Schmidt.
- 18 and 19. *Hungary*, by Ferdinand Merö; *Bulgaria*, by Boris Guduleff.

Every purchaser of the complete set of these papers is entitled to be registered as an adherent of the Conference.

Any paper may be obtained separately at 2d. per copy, post free, except that papers Nos. 4 and 12 are 4d. each post free.

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Attending from Australia is Mr E. J. Craigie, M.P., of Adelaide, appointed as delegate by the Henry George Foundation of Australia. Our Colleagues and co-workers are to be complimented on sending such an eminent representative, thus repeating the service they rendered the International Conference in Edinburgh, 1929. For the Conference Mr Craigie has produced a comprehensive and illuminating paper on Land Value Taxation and Rating in Australia, of which an extra supply (4d. per copy) has been printed for general circulation, especially in Australia. Our only regret is that Mr Craigie cannot this time arrange also to visit Great Britain. He travels each way by the Sydney-Vancouver route and his leave of absence from Parliamentary duties, a good rule they have in Australia, is strictly limited.

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

Additions to Membership List

LAST MONTH we gave a list of those who had to 30th June notified the International Union that they desired to be associated either as attending or non-attending members of the International Conference and Henry George Centenary Celebration. Total number of these adherents was 240. Corrections to that list: Dr T. E. Bullard, New York; Miss Annie C. Dowson, England; Pavlos Giannelia, Greece; Gustaf Miller, Massachusetts.

Further enrolments (with the International Union) to 31st July have been as follows, bringing the number to 339:—

Hans P. Andersen, Denmark; I. Bernstein, Palestine; Dan Björner, Denmark; Miss Gudrun Björner, Denmark; Dr Eliz E. Bowen, New Jersey; Miss M. Boyd, England; Miss M. M. Boyd, England; N. Bredkjær, Denmark; H. S. Buttenheim, New York; Juan Bellagamba, Argentine; V. H. Blundell, England; C. Austin Brook, England; Mrs. Betty Berthelson, Denmark.

R. Casas Cadilla, Cuba; F. W. Davey, Canada; A. Davis, Scotland; Miss I. Davis, England; Miss H. D. Denbigh, California; Mrs Thyra Folke, Denmark; G. M. Fowlds, New Zealand; Uffe Grosen, Denmark; John Cameron, Scotland; Clitheroe H.G.S.S.S., England; Fred L. Crilly; and Lewis R. East, Australia.

Hans Hansen, Denmark; Hon. G. M. Hartt, New Jersey; A. D. Haxton, Scotland; Dr R. E. S. Hayes, Connecticut; H. W. Hetzel; Pennsylvania; Mrs H. W. Hetzel, Pennsylvania; G. Higgins, Australia; H. H. Hollins, Canada; G. G. Honeyman, England; Ireland, Association of Municipal Authorities; Mrs Jensen, Denmark; Mrs Mabel Johnston, Victoria; G. J. Kerr, England; Chr. Kjeldsen, Denmark; G. Knowlson, England, Axel Krag, Denmark; R. L. Lefeaux, South Africa; J. H. Hamilton, England; Hollis C. Jay, California; J. M. Jensen, Denmark; Rev A. J. Grieve, England; Rev. F. Halkyard and Mrs M. Halkyard, Australia.

R. L. McKibbin, South Africa; C. D. McLean, New Zealand; T. E. McMillan, New Zealand; T. O. Macmillan, Scotland; A. E. Mallett, Canada; H. Mann, Massachusetts; Midland Land Values League, England; Mrs Ashley Mitchell, England; K. J. Moller, Denmark; J. Neilsen, Denmark; Miss Louise McLean, California; J. E. Murphy, California.

W. H. Pope, South Australia; Niels Fr. Rasmussen, Denmark; A. Ravnholt, Denmark; S. Rønnebaek, Denmark; G. L. Rusby, New Jersey; Troels Sams, Denmark; Mrs Ingeborg Schröder, Denmark; P. Skadegaard, Denmark; Mrs R. Skeel, Jr., Long Island; C. J. Smith, New Jersey; Dr Viggo Starcke, Denmark; R. H. Starkey, South Africa; Mrs F. G. Sumner, England; J. R. Sumner, England; Miss Nancy Sumner, England; H. Poulsen, Denmark; J. Poulsen, Denmark; K. Poulsen, Denmark; O. Poulsen, Denmark; Mrs G. Poulsen, Denmark; H. Pemberton, England; Wm Reid, Scotland; S. C. Richards, England; Miss Bertha Sellers, Pennsylvania; Harold Sudell, Pennsylvania; C. W. Silvernale, California; R. Svaerke, Denmark.

Frank Thomson, New South Wales; Olav Toxvard, Denmark; W. van der Maaten, Washington; A. J. Varlow, New Zealand; Miss Frances Verinder, South Africa; S. B. Welcome, California; A. H. Weller, England; Welsh League for Land Value Taxation, Wales; Captain J. Wille, Denmark; E. Wilson, Scotland; Arthur Wither, New Zealand; C. Wright, England; Miss E. Jewett Webster, California; A. Wielgloaski, Norway.

It will be understood that many more from America require to be added as their adhesion, especially of members in attendance, will in most cases be sent to the New York headquarters, 30 East 29th Street.

Everyone interested is cordially invited to enrol and thus give the Centenary and the Conference his or her support. The fees are: As attending member, with service of the Conference papers, 10s. or \$2; ditto without service of the papers, 5s. or \$1; as non-attending member with service of the papers, 5s. or \$1; ditto without service of the papers, 1s. or 25 cents. Donations, any amount, gratefully received towards the general expenses of the Conference, may be sent either to the International Union at 34 Knightrider Street, London, E.C.4, or to the "Henry George Centenary," 30 East 29th Street, New York City.

NATIONAL CONFERENCE IN LIVERPOOL

Picton Hall on 30th September

The United Committee, in association with the Liverpool League for the Taxation of Land Values, have decided to convene a National Conference on the Taxation and Rating of Land Values which will be held in the Picton Hall, Liverpool, on Saturday, 30th September. In conjunction with this Conference there will be a Henry George Week-end Conference in the Victoria Hotel, Southport, 1st October.

The National Conference will consist of two sessions, the first in the afternoon and the second in the evening.

The afternoon session will be devoted to the rating of land values and the municipal demand for the necessary legislation.

The evening session will be devoted to Land Value Taxation in relation to employment, the abolition of tariffs and international peace.

At each session a resolution will be submitted for the consideration and approval of the Conference.

To the afternoon session delegates will be invited from local authorities, municipal organisations and ratepayers' associations all over the country, and to each session delegates will be invited from many political and economic bodies, including Labour and Liberal parties, Co-operative Societies and Guilds, Trade Unions, etc., etc.

Full particulars will be announced next month.

Visitors' tickets will be available for everyone interested, in addition to those who will be present as delegates representing this or that authority, association or corporate body.

Our readers are also cordially invited to the Week-end Conference in the Victoria Hotel, Southport. This will take the form of the Conferences recently held at Matlock Bath where the time will be devoted to matters of importance affecting the progress of the movement, the educational work of the Henry George School of Social Science, the dissemination of the literature of the movement, and other subjects.

It is hoped that many will decide to stay for the week-end at Southport and certainly arrange to give the whole of the day, 1st October, to the valuable opportunity for mutual consultations that this Week-end Conference will afford.

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In Holland, the Justice and Freedom Party are holding the Henry George Centenary Celebration in the Hotel Americain, Amsterdam, on September 2nd, which is the date also of the eighth anniversary of the founding of their weekly journal.

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Mr D. J. J. Owen's pamphlet, *A Philosophy of Peace and Practical Steps*, has been so well taken in Australia that the Henry George Foundation of Australia have printed a 20,000 abridged edition for widespread circulation. The pamphlet came out of Mr Owen's address at the Matlock Bath Conference, May, 1938, proving that conferences, however modest, can have results beyond all expectations. Congratulations to D.J.J.O.

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Features in *The Standard* June issue (Daking House, Rawson Place, Sydney) include the full text of Henry George's address in Sydney, 12th March, 1890, and a very thought-provoking leading article by S.V.L. on "Pump Priming Pretences." The Roosevelt—J. M. Keynes policies get a well-deserved rebuke.