

California—Los Angeles

THE Great Adventure League is not in charge of the Single Tax campaign in Southern California. Its operations are confined exclusively to Northern California including San Francisco, Oakland, Berkeley, Sacramento and surrounding territory.

The Single Tax League, on the other hand, does not operate in Northern California, but has charge of all the work in Southern California including, of course, Los Angeles, San Diego, Riverside, Redlands, Pasadena, Bakersfield, Fresno and surrounding territory.

This statement is made at this time because, since each league makes appeals for funds, some confusion has arisen in the minds of many Single Taxers. Especially so since the limitations of space influences each league to emphasize its own needs and the importance of its work without special mention of the work and needs of the other league.

The two leagues are working harmoniously for an initiative measure which in all essential respects is identical with the measure voted on at the last election. The two leagues have joined in the publication of the Henry George *Standard*. Joint committees covering many phases of the work have been selected, but each league is responsible only for the work in its own territory.

The Single Tax League is undertaking organization, educational and propaganda work. Mr. E. L. Duffy, of the editorial staff of the Los Angeles *Examiner*, has assumed responsibility for the work among retail merchants. Senator L. J. Quinby, formerly of Omaha, and ex-editor of the *Chancellor*, is in charge of the work among real estate men. The Farmer's Taxation League has been organized for work among the farmers. The objectives of these various activities are to show concretely the blighting effects of land monopoly on useful effort; and to emphasize the fact that the significant feature of the Single Tax is not the burdens it imposes but the burdens it removes.

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Georgia

THE Atlanta Equal Suffrage Association of Atlanta, Ga., noting the recent statement of Governor Thomas W. Hardwick on the desirability of discriminating in the tax laws between "earned and unearned" incomes has gone on record with the following resolutions: (Dr. Grace Kirkland is connected with this Association.)

"Whereas, the burden of taxation calls for immediate relief, and

Whereas, the demand for revenue whereby to maintain all governmental institutions was never so great, and

Whereas, the only means of harmonizing these two apparent conflicts is by enacting the principles of moral right and justice in our system of taxation, without fear or favor; therefore, be it

Resolved, by the Atlanta Equal Suffrage Association, that we commend that portion of Governor Thomas W.

Hardwick's message to the legislature enunciating the principle of discriminating for purposes of taxation between "earned" incomes and "unearned" incomes; and be it further

Resolved, That the admission that some may enjoy "unearned" incomes is proof of grave wrong in our economic system; and be it further

Resolved, That the power of taxation should be exerted at the very roots of this wrong so as to prevent its operation, rather than permit the wrong to continue and merely attempt to palliate its effects; and be it further

Resolved, That the way to accomplish this lies in the taxation of land values, since these comprehend all natural wealth which, by being monopolized without proportionate return to society, constitute a special privilege by which an increasing many are compelled to pay tribute to a decreasing few; and be it further

Resolved, That we stand for the Single Tax, or taxation of land value, as the only just means of raising revenue; and be it further

Resolved, That we pledge our support to any and all measures now possible which trend in the direction of the Single Tax; and be it further

Resolved, That we give this expression of our views to Governor Hardwick and other State officials on whom the financial problems of the State are bearing heavily, believing that those entrusted with momentous responsibilities and compelled to encounter obstacles should receive cordial encouragement in any meritorious effort.

Passed in open meeting July 20, 1921."

New Jersey

THE only candidates to be voted for in this State are those for the legislature. As there is no distracting question the time seems opportune for placing Single Tax Party nominees before the people.

The Single Taxers of Bergen County have not neglected the opportunity, and have placed in nomination for the Assembly H. A. C. Hillyer, of Tenafly, and Alexander F. Koch and Robert A. Shannon, of Morsemere.

There are peculiar difficulties confronting the getting of signatures to petitions for independent nominees in this State, since there must be five witnesses to every signature. This necessitated a tour of the county in an automobile, and in five nights the required number of signatures were secured.

At this writing we have no report from any other counties than Bergen, but we understand that Union County has candidates in the field.

Mr. E. M. Caffall has held a number of meetings and reports an increasing interest. He spoke to the Improvement Association at Fairview, N. J., before an eager audience. Mr. Caffall continues his column in which he discusses current happenings in the light of the Single Tax, in 10 papers in Bergen County. These discussions have

real distinction and have called forth the following from the *Palisadian*;

"The more one sees of the writings of Edward M. Caffall the more one is drawn to the conclusion that he is the best writer of good English in Bergen County. He is a thinker of rare abilities and ranks with the strongest men of the entire country."

New York

THE Single Tax Party of New York City have placed the following ticket in nomination: For Mayor, Joseph Dana Miller; for Comptroller, George R. Macey; for President of the Board of Aldermen, Morris VanVeen; for President of the Borough of Manhattan, Fred. J. Riley; for Sheriff, Norman C. B. Fowles; for Register, John J. Hopper, and for Judge of the Court of General Sessions, Robert Ferari. Mr. Hopper is also running for Register, an office which he once held with honor to the city and credit to himself, on the ticket of the "Torrens Law Party."

There was for a long time the hope that Mr. Amos Pinchot could be induced to accept the nomination for mayor, but after long consideration and many and protracted sittings of the committee with him, Mr. Pinchot declined to accept. He is busy writing a work on political economy and desires to give all his time to literary work. We regret this decision, since the situation in this city gives us an opportunity for presenting our doctrine with a candidate such as Mr. Pinchot that would attract universal attention.

Through the efforts of the Single Tax Party a plank appears in the Farmer-Labor Party that is straight Single Tax, since it advocates the taking of the entire rent of land. A vote for Mr. DeHunt, the party candidate for Mayor, or for Ben Howe, the party's nominee for Comptroller, will be a vote for the Single Tax. This concession holds out the possibility of a greater co-operation in the future along our lines. But the Single Tax Party maintains and will continue to maintain its separate identity as it has in the past. The great value at this time of putting a Single Tax ticket in the field is the unequalled opportunity that is now offered to present our doctrine as a solution of the housing situation that is still acute.

The new headquarters of the party is the best and most conspicuous home that the Single Taxers of this city have ever claimed as their own. It is on the corner of 7th Avenue and 13th Street, one of the busiest corners of the city at all hours of the day and night. Just below our windows is the subway entrance, and a block north of us is populous 14th Street. Along the avenue goes a ceaseless train of automobiles, and visible to the occupants is a sign that tells them that here is the headquarters of the Single Tax Party. Many thousands of passers-by halt daily before the inscription that tells them that the Rent of Land Belongs to the People.

The Single Tax Party offers school pupils four prizes of \$10, \$5, \$3 and \$2 for the best four essays on the question: "Shall we abolish every tax now levied on the people of

the United States and collect the entire rent of land for Federal, State and local expenses?"

Essays must not exceed 700 words, and the contest ends October 21st. Essays should be addressed to the Essay Editor, Single Tax Party, 7th Avenue and 13th Street. The contest is confined to pupils of the public schools of New York.

Splendid outdoor meetings are being held at 96th street and Broadway. The attendance at some of these meetings has been over five hundred. Morris VanVeen and George Lloyd have been the principal speakers. There is a crying need for more speakers. The people listen eagerly to the message.

A Get Together Supper was held on Saturday evening, September 24. Miss Schetter presided and among the speakers were Morris VanVeen, Dr. Sneiderman, James A. Robinson, Ben Howe and Joseph Dana Miller.

Ohio

ON August 6th the Cuyahoga County Single Tax Club met at the Summer home of Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Fisher, at Avon Lake Park on Lake Erie, west of Cleveland. About 40 were present and a fine time was had in spite of the rain. A lively discussion was started over Single Tax Party activities.

The anniversary of Henry George's birthday was commemorated at the Hotel Winton. Mr. E. W. Doty presided and Dr. C. F. Grumbine, John Z. White, and Mrs. Mary Spargo Frazier also spoke. Alexander Rose, custodian of the Tom L. Johnson monument, also made a few remarks.

Henry J. Davies, secretary of the Cleveland Railway Co., and former secretary of Tom L. Johnson, read a speech made by Henry George at the American Congress of Churches held in Cleveland in 1886. Mr. Davies at that time was a court reporter and covered the speech.

The County Executive Committee of the Single Tax Party met Saturday to consider the advisability of endorsing one of the candidates for mayor this Fall. It was unanimously decided not to endorse anyone, but to devote all our time to perfecting our organization for the campaign for governor next year and to aid the work in Cleveland and other parts of the State. The reason for this action is the peculiar provisions of the Cleveland charter which does not allow us to go on the ballot as Single Taxers. Everything must be "non-partisan." The result is that the Democratic and Republican parties each endorse one main candidate and then support two or three other subsidiary candidates as first, second and third choices of the "Mary Ann" ballot.

We are going into the campaign, however, to do what we can to defeat those candidates who are trading on the name of Single Tax but do not advocate it. We plan to hold street meetings during the campaign, recruit members for the party and sell subscriptions to the REVIEW.

In Youngstown Mr. Arnold Camm is candidate for