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The philosophy of Henry George has opened a highway of thought that will never be closed. Eventually it will have to be taken into account in any substantial plans that are directed toward human welfare.

The clear course of this philosophy may seem to be lost now and then or even to disappear among the divergent schemes proposed for improvement of the social structure. Its well defined outline however, will keep emerging in unexpected times and places, for its very character will steadily draw the recognition of increasing numbers who are sincerely trying to find a better way.

There is every reason for adherents to the philosophy of Henry George to feel encouraged, for the teachings are basic and logically supported. This strongly held conviction leads sometimes to a crusading habit of thought, and there lies a responsibility which it is well to consider.

It goes without saying that one who holds the crusading spirit will need to have an intelligent understanding of the principles, but he should also be able to see these in relation to a progressively changing world.

The crusader will need to become not only a believer in and proponent of the George philosophy, but a philosopher as well. That will embrace specialized knowledge and a careful study of the technical phrases which may need to be explained in making the meaning clear.

There will be, for one who has accepted the principles of Georgism, and who now wishes to influence others, less of pride and more of humility—a great deal of patience, and much consideration in any presentation of the philosophy.

Live It!

Nothing is so necessary on the part of any who hold this view as the wholesome resolve to apply and live the principles steadily and constantly. This practice, when it becomes habitual, will bring a sense of reality within the person and will strengthen the validity of any proposal he may make.

All this is not only a moral necessity but a practical protection against the feeling held among uninformed persons, that the ideas of Georgism have not been tried, and that the proponent is merely talking through his hat.