

Free Market Institute

A group of free economy advocates gathered in Boston last year for the purpose of launching an organization to spread and work for the principles of a free market. The Free Market Institute was the result, and the founders were Herbert S. Good, Aram Bashian, Grace MacKenna Dahl, Roger W. Morgan, Edward D. Van Tassel, Jr., and Reginald H. Zalles. Mr. Good is now serving as Chairman, and headquarters have been set up in the building owned by the Henry George Institute of New England.

The Free Market Institute is devoted to the following tenets: Democracy is the political means through which civilization may best progress, being based on the principle that all men are entitled to equal opportunity. Freedom of speech, of religion, freedom from want and fear must be more thoroughly implemented before they can be realized. Democracy implies a free market; democracy and monopoly cannot exist as partners. Monopoly is the greatest deterrent to the war's requirements, the cause of depressions in the past and the threat to peace and prosperity in the future. The first immediate step toward a free society is winning the war against the Axis. All the peoples of the earth must be organized into one great democracy, with no barriers to a free market, if future wars are to be averted. Free trade among our own States must be more closely guarded. The right of labor to organize and bargain collectively must be preserved, since labor constitutes an increasingly powerful influence towards economic liberty.

The Institute is a non-profit membership association, organized solely for public service and supported by public contributions. Local committees, chartered by the Institute, serve to aid in the performance of its activities. Boston and New York committees of the Institute have already been formed, and the Institute invites the formation of additional committees. The Boston Committee has inaugurated regular Friday meetings, the first of which was held September 25. The speaker of the evening was Dr. William Hermanns of Harvard University, and his subject was "An International Police Force." Dr. Hermanns has attended peace conferences at Geneva and in France and England.

Further information may be obtained by writing to the Free Market Institute, 90 Beacon Street, Boston, Mass.