

Like his father, Dan Bjørner was a leading member of the Danish Georgist movement and of the Justice Party. As a merchant he spent many years dealing with persons in the USA, France and Germany. He was one of the pioneers of the Danish Chamber of Commerce. An importer of fine wood from the Orient, he maintained a business in this field (Traekontoret) in the heart of Copenhagen. A faithful Georgist all his life, he held responsible positions in the Danish Henry George Society. He attended many Georgist conferences and was a Vice-President of the International Union. Before he died, Dan Bjørner established a fund for Land Value Taxation (Grundskyld) and Free Trade, for the benefit of the movement. Of the many high positions he held, he considered the most important to be Secretary of the Danish Henry George Society. In this position he served for 35 years.

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In the Danish election last September, the Justice Party (Retsforbund) did not get enough votes to gain any seats in Parliament, despite earnest campaigning. Meetings of the Party have been held to examine the situation, form new strategies, plan more widespread dissemination of information, seek strong leaders, and work with sympathetic members of Parliament regardless of party lines. Because of the defeat, some doubt whether the Justice Party ought to continue, but Retsforbundets Presse says that the campaign was worthwhile, interest was stirred up, new converts were made, especially among the young, and there is a good basis for continuing and building up.