

that their doctrines are not different from those taught by the American or "other foreign" authors. Foreign refers here to anybody not thinking or writing in the German language.

Some of the essays ignore the fundamental economic concepts and laws of human nature. They deal with values but fail to explain their basic meaning and economic function. Irrespective of the doctrines, the reader will find that these writings differ from those better known to Americans because of a lack of objectivity. A high academic level is maintained as one would expect in a writer of Dr. Von Mises' standing, but few definite conclusions are reached.

Such influential writers as Smith, Ricardo and George are hardly men-

tioned. Henry George is quoted at one point in connection with "the law of population" but out of its context the meaning of the quotation becomes completely distorted.

At the outset the author states the factors of production very correctly, but does not elaborate on them. It might be assumed that he credits the reader with being familiar with the law of production, etc. Toward the end of the volume he expresses himself quite explicitly in favor of free trade. These and a number of minor passages leave little doubt that Professor Von Mises is well acquainted with Henry George's views even though he does not mention him by name.

—Curt J. Dreifuss

New Bookshop at Melbourne Headquarters

Melbourne, Australia sends a report not only of a new course in Fundamental Economics, the first to be conducted by the School of Social Science, 18 George Parade, Melbourne for many years, but they also send word of refurbished and modernized headquarters.

The Henry George Club owns two shops with street frontage which have been let out to other tenants. Recently one became vacant and this has been transformed into a library and bookshop, with impressive window space for the display of literature and information on the new activities of the Social Science School.

The continuance of this experiment depends on whether the shop can be staffed by volunteers who have retired and who will be able to attend one day a week to the library and to sales. The improve-

ment to the shop has already had an exhilarating effect on the school and the club, furthermore the Melbourne City Council has recently installed modern street lights which have changed a formerly dingy street into a bright thoroughfare.

Frank Eyles is the man most consistently responsible for the improvements, and he is serving in an honorary capacity until June, when it is hoped other voluntary helpers will come forward.

We read of all this in Progress, the Australian Journal edited by A. R. Hutchinson of Melbourne, who writes that the movement there has made great advances in the practical application of the principles for which we stand. Many are writing regularly to the press in an effort to educate and form public opinion. "We'll soon find we are moving mountains," he said.