

The Henry George School in the News

ST. LOUIS and **KANSAS CITY** Georgists met on May 17th in Columbia, Missouri for the first Missouri conference, which was a great success. The speakers were Professor Pinkney C. Walker and M. Mason Gaffney, both of the University of Missouri. Dr. Walker spoke of how land value taxation would help solve today's problems, and Professor Gaffney discussed "California's Rural and Urban Conservation Problems Typical of Many States Today."

DETROIT friends turned out happily to hear the now Honorable S. James Clarkson describe "The Present Michigan Legislature as a New Member Sees It." He is vitally interested in the tax program and has submitted three bills pertaining to its solution. At this final dinner meeting of the school year the teachers and their spouses were honored guests. These include: Martha Kohte, Arletta White, Melvin C. Bergen, Rex Everly and M. Frank Franczak. Allen V. Brett was an instructor until his death on April 24th. Rex Everly was chairman of the meeting which was held at the Wayne State University.

CHICAGO is in the 25th year of its study groups which now are spread among unions, colleges, churches, plants, schools, community groups, and executive and employee clubs. Conference leaders include, beside John Monroe, director of the Commerce and Industry program, Walter W. Kester, Dr. Frank Harrison, A. T. Sindt, Davey M. Packer, Robert E. Kennedy, George M. Menninger, Rodney Wiberg, William O'May, Michael Dellaria, Pearson Elledge, William Gruber and Selwyn H. Taylor.

Congratulations on a quarter century of pioneering and progress.

SAN FRANCISCO area radio listeners who have been hearing a lot about California's irrigation crisis—heard for a change about a Crisis in Michigan, from Robert Tideman who said Governor Williams wants a graduated income tax; Republican opponents want a sales tax of 3 or 4 per cent. The new legislator, S. James Clarkson, who sees the picture clearly, has introduced a bill calling for the separate assessment of land values, and hopes this will open the way for slight tax relief.

Undoubtedly the federal government will be called upon to bail them out, said Mr. Tideman, and that will lead to federal control of the state government as farm subsidies have led to control of farming. The radio address was given over station KPFA in Berkeley on May first.

EAST BAY friends, on May 8th, heard of Threats to Municipal Home Rule—this discussed by a panel with Glenn E. Hoover, Oakland City Council, as the moderator. Participating members were: Corinne Gilb of the University of California and Mills College; John Houlihan, Oakland City Council; Fred C. Hutchinson, attorney; John King, president, Oakland Board of Education; and Robert Tideman, director of the Henry George School, San Francisco.

SAN DIEGO had as its guest speaker for the 28th graduation program in May, Morgan Harris, professor of economics, Los Angeles Pacific College who spoke of "Things Georgists Can Do Now." Representatives from each of the five graduating classes spoke, and John Nagy, Jr. served as chairman.

An advanced class in World Trade is being conducted by Everett J. Seeley on Tuesday evenings.