

The Henry George School in the News

SAN DIEGO Georgists gathered at the University Club August 16th for a "Hail and Farewell" banquet honoring Dr. Robert V. Andelson, retiring executive, director of the San Diego extension, and Harry Polard, executive director-elect. The event was telecast on Channel 10.

Dr. Andelson, who assumed the directorship in 1959, resigned to accept the chair of philosophy at Northland College, Ashland, Wisconsin. During his period in office the San Diego extension rose from twelfth to fourth place in annual number of graduates among the Henry George schools in the United States and Canada.

At the same time, Harry E. Polard, formerly of Toronto was welcomed as his successor. He will also supervise the work at the Los Angeles extension.

The Toronto extension has announced 20 classes under the supervision of the new director, James Ramsey, who succeeds Harry E. Polard.

BOSTON has a new "part-time" secretary, Ben Manton, who will assist Mitchell S. Lurio, the director. An expanded class schedule is being planned and contributions have increased, following an extensive mailing.

SYRACUSE friends were encouraged to find in the Sunday Herald American, an extensive notice of their new weekly classes in the State Office Building, 33 East Washington Street, with information about the instructors: Emanuel Choper, William E. Frank and Rex C. Klopfenstein, as well as a bit of the school's background.

Betty Breese, executive secretary, wrote that this item caught the attention of Mrs. Louise Thiesenhausen, who came to the State Office Building Monday morning and enrolled. Her son, Peter, is assistant director of studies at the Ontario Henry George School extension—and he supplied his mother with a copy of *Progress and Poverty*.

ST LOUIS has opened classes in the north end, the south end, downtown at headquarters, and at several attractive west end addresses. The film "Land—and Space to Grow" has been shown at the well-known Ralston Purina plant, the Friday Evening Discussion Club and the Northwest Kiwanis Club.

The extension's work sheet contains a number of interesting editorial comments, including one on an article from the National Observer explaining that in Texas there is a device called a Whipstock, that will drill a slanted well. After a "grizzled oil driller from Kilgore, Texas confessed he had drilled at least 100 slanted wells in Texas and southern Louisiana over the past 25 years," the grand jury became alarmed over what was called "the biggest theft in Texas history."

The land value tax, Noah Alper remarks, would be the right way to solve the anti-Whipstocking problem.

NEW YORK will offer basic classes from Monday to Friday inclusive at headquarters, including one in Spanish, as well as classes in Applied Economics and the Science of Political Economy. Also available to advanced students are A Philosophy of Life, by Robert Clancy; Great Books with the dean, George Royal

and Ben Stern, alternating. Public Speaking will be under Joseph Rose's direction, and Matthew Osias will teach a Correspondence Course Teachers Training Class. Joseph Sola, a former staff member, returns to teach Economic History of U.S., and James Murphy will continue with Dynamic Psychology. The dean, Mr. Royal, is conducting a 30-week teachers training class.

A new teachers' manual is being used for the second basic course, Applied Economics, this fall. It is an up-to-date revision with study supplements—the first since 1937. The Manual Committee plans next a revision of the third basic course, Science of Political Economy.

At a faculty meeting on September 20th there were vacation echoes from those who had unusual travel experiences. The New Jersey school held a similar meeting at which the dean, Alexander M. Goldfinger, told of his recent visit to Hawaii.

A faculty member, Isobel Restall, initiated an experimental class in Greenwich Village last winter. It was composed, not of bearded, bongo-beating beatniks, but businessmen, housewives, writers, etc. She will teach another class there this fall.

Three faculty members are teaching in Northern New Jersey—Leo Cohen in Oakland, William Buhr in Fair Lawn and Nicholas Minaya in Pompton Lakes.



... Now in Italy

If you go to Milan, and if you understand Italian, you can take or review Fundamental Economics, where it is being taught without charge, every Thursday evening from 9 to 10 o'clock, by Dr. Natale Pulvirenti, at Galleria Buenos Aires, 2. At the first session on September 6th Professor F. J. Jones of the University of Cardiff and David Mills of the Henry George School of London were present. It is being given mainly as a review for those in the Milan area who have taken the course by correspondence. Dr. Pulvirenti intends to follow it up with a course in free trade and another in basic economics. He also distributes Georgist literature, including *Progress and Pov-*

erty, and is circulating a Georgist newsletter in Italian, so he is quite a busy man. He has a school where he teaches classes in salesmanship and related subjects for which he charges fees.

Sr. Guisepppe Pace, who lives near Rome, has received the first five lessons of the correspondence course, and writes that with only his rudimentary knowledge he has already convinced friends that they should learn the theories of Henry George. He hopes to introduce this economic study in his labor union and in the company where he works. He believes Rome would be a good place to launch the new economy.

DO YOU READ THE FINE PRINT?

In the August HGN, on page 5, in that small type which readers so often seem to overlook, there was a strange error in reporting the newspaper clipping sent by Frederick R. Barkley. In Pittsburgh and Scranton, Pennsylvania, the tax levies on land are double that of the levies on improvements—just the opposite of the incorrect statement in the first paragraph. Thank you, Mr. Walthall of Pensacola, for calling it to our attention.