

INTERNATIONAL GEORGIST CONFERENCE SET

The 16th International Georgist Conference will be held at Selwyn College, Cambridge, England from August 4 to August 11, 1984.

The International Union for Land-Value Taxation and Free Trade, which is sponsoring the conference, is accepting early reservations for the week-long event. There is a \$60 non-returnable deposit required to secure accommodations. Georgists who make their deposits prior to January 4 will receive a substantial discount on the \$37.50 conference fee.

There are a wide-range of accommodation packages available, for day visitors and week-long participants, each reasonably priced. (Please note that all charges are being converted from British Pounds, and are subject to currency fluctuations.)

The conference program is being left open to allow participants to take advantage of late-breaking topics of concern. However, in accordance with requests made at the General Meeting in Holland last summer, more program time will be set aside in which members can discuss matters of special interest.

The program calls for a one-day outing to the Sandringham Estate, provided no members of the Royal Family are in residence. In addition, a six-course banquet will be served to all participants on the last evening.

Selwyn College offers single-room accommodations, a wood-panelled chapel, a large dining hall, a bar, a TV room and a large, attractive garden.

HENRY GEORGE INSTITUTE CONDUCTS SYMPOSIUM ON FATHER MCGLYNN

A symposium on Father Edward McGlynn, who was excommunicated for his support of Henry George, was held in the New York School on November 5. Sponsored by the Henry George Institute, the session "re-evaluated the McGlynn case," according to President Robert Clancy.

Father McGlynn, pastor of St. Stephen's Roman Catholic Church, was an advocate of Henry George's teachings and supported George's 1886 bid for Mayor of New York City. He was warned by his superior, Archbishop Michael Corrigan, suspended, then excommunicated. He was later reinstated following an inquiry.

Duane Whelan offered a biographical portrait of Father McGlynn from a deeply personal perspective -- he is McGlynn's grandnephew.

Father James Gilhooly, of Mount St. Mary College in Newburgh, spoke on issues raised by the McGlynn case, particularly the backlash against intellectual activity and independent thought among priests in the years following the McGlynn episode.

George Collins, director of the Henry George School of Philadelphia, read "Religion and Robbery," a speech given by Father McGlynn at a meeting of the Anti-Poverty Society, which he founded during his excommunication.

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DEATH OF STANLEY SINCLAIR ANNOUNCED

Services were held on Wednesday, November 30, for Stanley Sinclair, a member of the Board of Trustees and a long-time associate of the Henry George School.

Mr. Sinclair died suddenly on Sunday, November 27.

The Henry George School extends its deepest sympathy to Mr. Sinclair's family.

GEORGISTS PREPARE RESOLUTION TO METHODIST CONFERENCE

Nadine Stoner, president of the Property Owners League of Beloit, Wisconsin, has launched an effort to submit a resolution on land value taxation to the 1984 United Methodist General Conference.

The drive stems from a meeting of ten United Methodists which Mrs. Stoner organized at the July conference in Goleta, California. At that time it was agreed that Nadine would write a first draft of the petition and send it to the other participants for feedback.

Several drafts have followed, the most recent urging that "information on land value taxation be published in various United Methodist periodicals by experts qualified in theory and practice of land economics."

The planned resolution is similar in intent to one introduced last year by the Unitarian Church.

United Methodists throughout the country are urged to contact Mrs. Stoner to help circulate petitions which are to be submitted to the General Conference petitions chairman by January 1984. Her address is 1118 Central Avenue, Beloit, Wisconsin 53511.

SYMPOSIUM ON FATHER MCGLYNN (CONTINUED)

Dr. C. Joseph Nuesse, Provost Emeritus of the Catholic University of America, discussed the possible influence of Henry George on the Vatican's decision to reinstate Father McGlynn, particularly George's open letter to Pope Leo XIII.

Robert Clancy cited later papal encyclicals which reflect a change in thinking on property-related issues which suggests an indirect Georgist influence.

Rev. Wylie Young, a Presbyterian minister, discussed the difficulty in getting George's message across in Protestant circles.

More than 50 people attended the symposium and the discussion which followed.

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