Ministers Respond to Henry George Letters

Replies are now coming in to the series of ten letters which were written by Rev. Wylie Young of Batavia, N. Y. and sent to seven thousand Presbyterian ministers. To date, over 100 have asked for the correspondence course, 85 have asked for information on organizing classes, and 125 have requested copies of the teacher's manual.

Mr. Young reports having received many letters expressing sincere appreciation of his efforts and indicating that this was the first time the philosophy of Henry George had ever been seriously presented to them.

Mr. Young pointed out that the fact that even one hundred of these men have heard enough to want to probe more deeply is a start. For the most part the ministers were totally unaware that such an analysis existed. Many needed only to have it pointed out clearly to recognize its worth.

Plans are being made to follow through and to help in the organization of classes. As to the uses to which the series of letters will be put in the future, no decision has been reached. Several offers

have been made to help underwrite a program by which ministers of other denominations may also avail themselves of this material. The letters were written in an easy and readable style and the replies indicate that most of the recipients read them when received. At lease one whole group of denominational leaders has been challenged to make a serious study of the philosophy of Henry George and its relation to the pressing economic problems of the postwar world.