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S. James Clarkson **New Michigan Legislator**

"WE MUST carry our message to the people," said Judge John R. Fuchs of Texas in a message to the recent conference of the Henry George Foundation in Pittsburgh. "The most effective way is to get men who believe in our cause and our principles to run for legislative offices; municipal, state and federal. Time and time again they will be defeated, but the defeats are not personal ones, for this is a cause which has for its end the improvement of social conditions—the very preservation of our country."

Judge Fuchs, a sterling Georgist, author of *Constructive Taxation for Free Enterprise*, who has been advocating the Henry George tax reform for 50 years, will be happy to know that S. James Clarkson, a 33-year old lawyer, was elected as the Democratic State Representative from the 4th District, Michigan, after a number of defeats, which he took gallantly.

Mr. Clarkson has taught in the Detroit Henry George School for several terms and has frequently addressed groups in and around Detroit on the subject of land value taxation. He is active in a number of legal, fraternal, civic and political organizations, and is the re-

cipient of the Silver Star Medal, among other citations resulting from service with the 26th Infantry Division in World War II.

A need for progressive legislation as it pertains to mental health, flood control, unemployment, the St. Lawrence Seaway Port, and the problem of the uninsured motorist, figured largely in his campaign platform. He opposes the corporate profits tax and state income tax, and believes the income tax hits people of the average income for 85 per cent of its return but conversely thinks it wrong to tax the rich to benefit others.

He took as an insult a remark by a friend that "they'll take you in the huddle up there and you'll go right along with them."

