

P. J. HEALY died in San Francisco on May 30 of last year at the advanced age of 91. He was born in Ireland and came to America with his parents following the famine of 1848-9. The vessel was unseaworthy and was put back to Glasgow where his parents and some of the children died on the ship of fever.

He was taken charge of by a kindly Scotch family and finally came to the United States before reaching manhood. He was largely self-educated. He came to California from New York and in that State tried farming but without success. He opened a second hand book store first on Powell street, San Francisco, and afterwards on Market street near Larkin. He was director of the Mechanics Institute from 1891 to 1901. He was a friend and associate of Henry George in the years when "Progress and Poverty" was written. His book store was a meeting place for Single Taxers and advocates of Proportional Representation. He was a genuine democrat, a brave soldier of the common good. He was married but had no children. Mr. F. W. Lynch, of San Francisco, thinks he has a brother living in Boston.

MISS ADELAIDE YOUNGMAN, whom New York Single Taxers will remember, writes us: "The typography of LAND AND FREEDOM is a great pleasure to me. The paper without glaze, and the clear-cut, readable type is a boon as well as delight to one's eyes."

JAMES R. BROWN, president of the Manhattan Single Tax Club, gives an interesting report of his lecture work for the fiscal year which closed Nov. 30, 1927. One hundred lectures were delivered and large quantities of literature distributed.

MRS. WINIFRED B. COSSETTE, of Cambridge writes: "It must have been a proud moment for St. Peter when that glorious woman, Mary Dana Hicks Prang, and that Nature's nobleman, Dr. Charles Dole, arrived in Heaven! We shall not soon look upon their like again!"

HENRY WARE ALLEN writes enthusiastically of Mrs. Signe Bjorner's recent visit to Wichita, Kansas. Excellent reports of her address at that place and Kansas City appeared in the Kansas papers.

AN item in the Paris *Herald* gives an account of a New York meeting at which Mr. Van Veen was the principal speaker.

DURING the Summer season the Commonwealth Land Party of this city at its open air meetings have addressed at least 20,000 persons and its banner has been seen by at least 50,000. The speakers have been M. Van Veen, George Lloyd, Miss Corinne Carpenter and Mr. Goldsmith, a recent convert to the cause. In the sixty days preceding the election the party held twenty meetings and distributed over 20,000 pieces of literature. At a cost of \$500 the ballot with the candidate's name, Benjamin R. Burger, for the judiciary, was printed in the newspapers and as ballots and sample ballots perhaps 8,000,000 times. The members of the party regard this as cheap publicity that could not be secured in any other way with many times the expenditure.

MR. BURGER was voted for in four counties, Kings, Nassau, Queens and Suffolk. His name was not on the ballot in New York County. In his home county of Kings (Brooklyn) he received 1327, and his total vote is 2,000. That there are so many persons willing to "throw away" their vote for a principle is evidence that a flame is smouldering that may yet burst into a blaze.

E. YANCEY COHEN is desirous of securing the following numbers of LAND AND FREEDOM.

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Will some of our friends communicate with Mr. Cohen? His address is Fairhope, Alabama.

PROF. GLENN FRANK quotes Henry George in one of his syndicate articles appearing in the *Evening World* and promises to return again with other comment.

THE *Johnstown Democrat* gave a front page report of the address delivered before the Kiwanis Club in that city by Percy R. Williams who visited Johnstown on his way to Harrisburg.

MR. F. T. HODGKISS, of Melbourne, Victoria, has addressed a communication to Percy R. Williams, secretary of the Henry George Foundation, in which he suggests the celebration of the Fiftieth Anniversary of the publication of "Progress and Poverty" by a worldwide demonstration and an announcement of a Proclamation addressed to all governments that on and after 1950 the rent of land shall be taken as public revenue and all taxation abolished.

IN the course of a review of Will Atkinson's "An Outline of Henry George's Progress and Poverty" the Kansas City *Star* says: "The Kansas City Boulevards were paid for in accordance with Henry George's theories." These boulevards are not surpassed anywhere.

SIMONA C. TAWRESEY, wife of Henry B. Tawresey and daughter of the late Lonis Costa, passed away on December 13th, at the age of 58, after an illness of about six months. While neither a public speaker or writer, she was a most sincere and ardent Single Taxer from girlhood, and never missed an opportunity of personal contact to plant a seed by word of mouth or distribution of literature. And how she did yearn for the coming of the Day! How she scanned the daily press for any suggestion that The Day was dawning! How she loved to attend gatherings of the believers! The last occasion was the annual meeting of the Henry George Foundation, in New York, September last, though even then ill she evinced an eager interest in the proceedings.

CINCINNATI is taking high rank for pure unadulterated idiocy in several of its schemes for raising municipal revenues. Among these is an occupation tax of five dollars a year for doing business and an additional tax of \$2. per year for every employee. A factory with 300 workmen would therefore pay to the city \$605 per year in addition to all property and other taxes.

JOHN H. MEYER, of Fresno, California, writes us under date of Dec. 28: "I heartily concur in the proposal of Rev. A. W. Littlefield that the beautiful ideals and teachings of the Henry George philosophy should be embodied in a Ritual, and urge all good people everywhere to hold meetings and recite that Ritual over and over again at each meeting. This would give all members and visitors a schooling in economics that could not be secured anywhere else. I like Mr. Geiger's address immensely."

OUR readers will regret to learn that Alice Thacher Post, while making arrangements for the funeral of her late husband, Louis Post, fell, and was painfully injured. She is being treated for a sprained hip and arm at the Homeopathic Hospital in Washington.

F. H. LANGWILL, No. 1 Queen street, Melbourne, Australia, is in need of the Sept-Oct., 1926 issue of LAND AND FREEDOM.

J. P. SARGEANT, of Surrey, England, member of the Commonwealth Land party, writes: "I was much amused at Professor Turner's criticism of our principles and your rejoinder."