

"We part with him in sorrow and I would close with the words of his great teacher and friend, Henry George.

"The only thing certain to any of us is death.

"Like the swallow darting through thy hall, such, O King, is the life of man!" We come from where we know not; we go—who shall say? Impenetrable darkness behind, and gathering shades before. What, when our time comes, does it matter whether we have fared daintily or not, whether we have worn soft raiment or not, whether we leave a great fortune or nothing at all, whether we shall have reaped honors or been despised, have been counted learned or ignorant—as compared with how we may have used that talent which has been entrusted to us for the Master's service? What shall it matter, when eyeballs glaze and ears grow dull, if out of the darkness may stretch a hand, and into the silence may come a voice:

"Well done, thou good and faithful servant:
thou hast been faithful over a few things, I
will make thee ruler over many things; enter
thou into the joy of the Lord?"

California Preparing For National Conference

THE actual birthday of Henry George has been selected as the opening day for the Fifth Annual Henry George Congress, which will meet in San Francisco from September 2d to 4th, and immediately follows Labor Day. The idea of holding the national conference this year on the Pacific Coast has apparently met with general favor and, while the number who can arrange to make a transcontinental trip is always somewhat limited, already a number of Eastern Single Taxers are making their plans to go, and a large attendance from the Western section seems to be assured.

A. J. Milligan, President of the Civic Chamber of Economics of San Francisco, and proprietor of the Henry George Hotel, has been appointed Chairman of the Convention Committee and, supported by able and energetic co-workers, has been active for several weeks past and expresses full confidence that the Congress of 1930 is going to be one of the most interesting and successful gatherings yet held under the auspices of the Henry George Foundation. The Single Tax leaders on the Coast seem to look upon the approaching Congress as timely and as affording an excellent opportunity to further strengthen the movement in that section and bring about closer cooperation.

One of the features of the convention will be the dedication of a bronze tablet which it is planned to place on the building now occupying the spot in San Francisco where Henry George wrote his immortal "Progress and Poverty," the 50th anniversary of which was celebrated at Pittsburgh last September. The Mayor of San Francisco has accepted the invitation to deliver an address on this

occasion in honor of the Prophet of San Francisco and his great contribution to humanity.

While programme-making is now only in the preliminary stage, it may be said that the committee is planning many interesting features and the presence of a number of prominent speakers is virtually assured.

The San Francisco Convention and Tourist Bureau is cooperating actively with the local Single Tax organization, and as all the railroads offer greatly reduced rates during the summer season, it is hoped that all who possibly can will take advantage of this favorable opportunity to combine the enjoyment of the wonderful scenery and delightful climate with the pleasures to be derived from the good fellowship and stimulating atmosphere of the annual Henry George Congress.

Lecture Tours Through the Middle West

SECRETARY PERCY R. WILLIAMS, of the Henry George Foundation, has been devoting the month of May to a lecture tour of Ohio, Indiana and Illinois, the present tour having been arranged through the cooperation of the Henry George Lecture Association, now affiliated with the Foundation. Generous newspaper publicity has been given practically everywhere to reports of his speeches, tax questions being at present very much to the forefront, State Tax Commissions having hearings on in Ohio and Indiana and the extraordinary tax situation in Chicago attracting widespread attention. Following is a list of recent engagements of Mr. Williams:

April 30—Canton, Ohio, Lions Club; May 1—Youngstown, Ohio, Lions Club; May 2—Ashtabula, Ohio, Rotary Club; May 5—Dayton, Ohio, Y. M. C. A.; May 6—Rensselaer, Ind., Rotary Club; May 7—Lebanon, Ind., Kiwanis Club; May 8—Washington, Ind., Rotary Club; May 9—Indianapolis, Ind., Exchange Club; May 17—Chicago, Ill., Single Tax Club; May 19—Kenosha, Wis., Optimist Club; May 20—South Bend, Ind., Chamber of Commerce; May 21—Aurora, Ill., Kiwanis Club; May 22—Oak Park, Ill., Lions Club; May 27—Chicago, Ill., South Central Kiwanis Club; May 28—Chicago, Ill., Woodlawn Kiwanis Club; May 29—Hamilton, Ohio, Rotary Club.

Attorney William N. McNair, of Pittsburgh, now on the lecture staff of the Henry George Lecture Association, is in the midst of a two months lecture tour through the Middle West, embracing the states of Ohio, Indiana, Michigan, Illinois, Wisconsin and Minnesota, and is meeting everywhere with a fine reception. Herewith is a list of his engagements:

For an appointment in some unfilled time—morning, noon, or evening, write to the Henry George Lecture Association, 538 South Dearborn St., Chicago.

Mingo Junction, Ohio, Kiwanis Club, Tuesday, April 29th—noon; Bucyrus, Ohio, M'gr's Ass'n of Central Ohio, Wednesday, April