

Senor Marte R. Gomez, Manager of the Bank of Agriculture at Mexico City, sends the following acknowledgment:

"Referring to your favor of June 8, which you kindly sent me at the request of our mutual friend, Jose M. Bejarano, I have not written you before, since I have only just now received the book, entitled "Progress and Poverty," which book is of great importance in the philosophy of Henry George. I take great pleasure in accepting this gift which you have so kindly sent me and for which I thank you very much, because its value is all the higher for me on account of the great esteem in which I hold the personality of its author."

Miss S. Gonzalez, Secretary to President Calles, in expressing her thanks for the work in graceful terms, says, "I assure you I shall read it with attention."

Senor D. R. Aguilar, of the Mexican Ministry of Finance, writes:

"I hope to be in your city not later than the 14th of the current month of July, and shall endeavor to have an interview with you, in order to discuss the subject referred to in your letter."

Senor Aguilar did visit New York, but was forced to make a hurried departure and so was unable to favor us with his promised visit.

Other favorable replies have been received and will be printed in a future issue. The Executive Committee of the party is to be congratulated on a very useful piece of propoganda.

## CONVENTION NOTES

The Chairman of the Convention Committee appointed a Press Committee, with Whidden Graham as chairman and members as follows: Chester C. Platt, Charles LeBaron Goeller, Grace Isabel Colbron, Edmund Vance Cook, Charles H. Ingersoll, James F. Mor-ton, James Malcolm and Stephen Bell.

A noon luncheon attended by all the members that could be reached was called together by Edward Polak and plans suggested and discussed. Not a little of the publicity secured was due to the work of the committee whose services are hereby gratefully acknowledged. Mr. Platt, editor of the *Batavia Times*, was able to get the International Labor Press Service and the Federated Press Service of Chicago to send out advance notices of the Congress.

The press notices and reports in the Metropolitan papers of the three days convention were fair but not generous. The *Times* reported the sessions briefly and the *New York Evening Post* gave the best story in about a column and a half.

Our acknowledgements to Miss Antoinette Kaufmann for taking in short hand the speeches of those who addressed the Public Meeting on the night of Monday. Miss Kaufmann is assistant secretary of the Schalkenbach Foundation. Her helpfulness is much appreciated. She has broken into the *New York World* recently with several excellent letters on true taxation principles.

Our thanks also to the New York Public Library for according to the visitors special opportunity to inspect the Henry George Collection presented to the library by Anna George de Mille, and the Burger collection placed in the library for temporary exhibition.

Mrs. Emily Roswell Skeel, now in Rome, sent her greetings and good wishes to the Congress.

One of the Luncheon speakers, G. D. Eaton, was unable to be with us, owing to an attack of the grippe. Mr. Eaton is not a Single Taxer but he is one of our most promising liberals. His new magazine, *Plain Talk*, is out and we bespeak for it a welcome from all those who favor earnest and courageous discussion of national and social problems. Mr. Eaton is a young man, and we hope that he will see that destructive criticism is not enough for a successful periodical and will see the need of a constructive programme. A philosophy of political nihilism wrecked the *Freeman* despite its high cultural standards. We know, however, that Mr. Eaton will be interesting whatever else he is or is not.

The *Batavia (N. Y.) Times* of Sept. 17th contained an interesting account of the Henry George Congress from the pen of Chester C. Platt.

A number of important addresses delivered at the Henry George Congress are omitted from this issue but will appear in our next. Among these are papers from Poultney Bigelow, Will Atkinson, Le Baron Goeller, Allan C. Thompson, Geo. C. Olcott, Geo. L. Record, Rev. A. W. Littlefield, Grace Isabel Colbron and A. E. Schalkenbach.

From Copenhagen came a cablegram to the Congress reading: "Best wishes to American co-workers from the Danish Henry George Union."

Mr. Jose Miguel Bejarano, whose address at the public meeting of the Congress was one of the notable events of that evening, is director and secretary of the Mexican Chamber of Commerce. It was through Mr. Bejarano's efforts that the Chamber of Commerce was organized, its purpose being to secure a better understanding between the people of the United States and Mexico. Mr. Bejarano has written extensively on Mexican problems and is well fitted for the great work he has undertaken of establishing more intimate and cordial relations between the United States and our neighboring Republic, an understanding based on knowledge of conditions.

One of the interesting informal talks at the Conference was that of Robert C. Macauley, who outlined the plan of his paper, the *Commonweal* of Pennsylvania, as a propoganda journal for wide circulation at small expense. It is to be hoped that our readers know of Mr. Macauley's activity and the success he has already attained in building up a circulation of ten thousand for his paper.

190 persons registered at the Henry George Congress against 125 at Philadelphia last year.

Among the young people at the Congress were some children of Single Taxers. There were only two present of the third generation; Virginia Ryan, granddaughter of Fred Huppert, and one of Henry George's granddaughters, Miss deMille.

## LIST OF DONATIONS

One of the most interesting features of the banquet was the announcement by President Evans of a bequest to the Henry George Foundation of \$100,000. While the actual receipt of the bequest provided for is not expected in the near future, the provision of such a substantial sum indicates confidence that the Henry George Foundation is laying a firm foundation for a permanent existence of growing usefulness. The name of the donor was not disclosed but the bequest has been made in the form of insurance. It was announced that special arrangements had been made with one of the leading insurance companies for the writing of bequest insurance and that a number of friends had

already expressed their intention of either making provision for a bequest to the Henry George Foundation in their wills or taking life insurance with the Foundation as beneficiary.

During the banquet, an opportunity was given for subscription to the Foundation fund and the officers announced that over \$10,000 was subscribed.

Among those subscribing amounts from \$100 to \$1000 were Mrs. Anna George de Mille, New York City; Joseph Dana Miller, New York City; J. C. Lincoln, Cleveland, Ohio; John McGowan, New Market, Ontario; Wm. B. Foster, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Walter G. Stewart; Dr. Frederick Willson, Reading, Pa.; Dr. Mark Milliken, Hamilton, Ohio; Miss Grace Isabel Colbron, New Canaan, Conn.; George C. Olcott, Otto Cullman, Henry H. Hardinge, Albert C. Fuchs, George C. Madison, Chicago, Ill.; Frank T. Stirlith, Edgemoor, Del.; James C. Fuller, Kansas City, Missouri; Henry Ware Allen, Wichita, Kan.; Miss Grace A. Johnston, Berkeley, Cal.; John S. McLean, Columbus, Ohio; Clement L. Coleman, Fairhope, Ala.; Arthur P. Davis, Oakland, California; Henry P. Boynton, Cleveland, Ohio; John W. Treiber, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Jos. McGuinness, Brooklyn; W. B. Verman, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Thos. P. Boggs, Thos. P. Ryan, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Miss Charlotte O. Schetter, Herman G. Loew, Lawson Purdy, Frederic C. Leubuscher, Mrs. Emily E. F. Skeel, Francis T. Reilly, Westbury, N. Y.

Another large subscription was given anonymously in honor of the late Miss Julia A. Kellogg who was very active in the cause for a number of years, and who abridged "The Theory of Human Progression," by Patrick Edward Dove, whose economic teachings bear such a striking resemblance to those of Henry George.

#### FOUNDATION EXECUTIVES

At the annual meeting of voting members, the following members of the Board of Trustees of the Henry George Foundation were re-elected for three-year terms: Warren Worth Bailey, Johnstown, Pa.; Charles H. Ingersoll, Montclair, N. J.; J. C. Lincoln, Cleveland, Ohio; B. McGinnis, Pittsburgh, Pa.; William E. Schoyer, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Harold Sudell, Philadelphia, Pa.; and Frank Stephens, Arden, Del.

At the last regular meeting of the Board of Trustees, United States Senator Woodbridge N. Ferris, of Big Rapids, Mich., was elected a trustee of the Foundation to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Ralph E. Smith, of Pittsburgh, who was elected a member of the National Advisory Commission.

The Board of Trustees organized at New York City on September 13th, by the election of George E. Evans, President; Joseph Dana Miller, Vice President; Mrs. Anna George de Mille, Honorary Vice President; William E. Schoyer, Treasurer; Percy R. Williams, Secretary; Francis W. Maguire, Assistant Secretary.

The following were elected members of the Executive Committee for the ensuing year: George E. Evans, Cornelius D. Scully, Carl D. Smith, Hugo W. Noren, William E. Schoyer, Percy R. Williams, and J. C. Lincoln.

#### OFFICERS OF THE FOUNDATION THANK THE COMMITTEE

The officers of the Henry George Foundation desire to express their sincere thanks to all who participated in the second annual Henry George Congress at New York City and thereby made the success of the national convention of 1927 possible.

We are highly gratified with the many evidences of interest and enthusiasm that marked the New York gathering and particularly appreciate the splendid cooperation of the Convention Committee, the Press and Publicity Committee, and the Single Taxers of New York City who responded so well on this occasion.

GEORGE E. EVANS, President,  
PERCY R. WILLIAMS, Secretary.

#### EXTRACTS FROM LETTERS AND TELEGRAMS TO THE HENRY GEORGE MEMORIAL CONGRESS

I regret very much that I cannot be present at the Henry George Memorial Congress to pay my respects in person to the memory of a man whose monumental works have leavened the whole world of economic thought. A previous engagement makes it impossible for me to attend.

WILLIAM B. WILSON, former Secretary of Labor.

I regard Henry George as one of the greatest thinkers and leaders of his day. I regret very much that my engagements are such as to compel me to decline this invitation to address the Congress which I value very highly.

JOSEPHUS DANIELS, former Secretary of the Navy

I hope that the spirit of fellowship that has always characterized Single Tax men will prevail at the Congress, and above all there will be kept fresh the memory of the man whose teachings we have espoused. For there is a world of inspiration to be derived from his character apart from his philosophy. He was not only a master of English speech and lucid reasoning, he was a great moral leader, the spiritual significance of whose teaching made his mission, like that of Mazini, an apostolate. It may be said of him, as Morley said of John Bright: "He had the glory of words." Nobody in this century has better understood the true genius of the English tongue—its freedom, its massive simplicity, its dignity. But this fine diction, this artistic arrangement might have gone for nothing if a certain moral fervor had not been beating behind these effects of art. It was the fervor of the conviction that to make a State strong you must make its citizens just.

JOHN B. SHARPE, Ontario, Canada.

I can only regret my inability to accept your most cordial invitation. As you will know, Mr. Hennessy is with us again. He will return home in time for your meeting and take with him our united regards and good wishes for the success of your gatherings. In *Land and Liberty* we have duly noted this coming event. Please remember Mr. Madsen and myself to our good colleague, Jacob E. Lange. You will be interested to know that I have just had a visit from Mr. and Mrs. McNair, also from Mr. Willock, of Pittsburgh.

JOHN PAUL, London, England.

I have long been an admirer of Henry George and his work. I hope you will have a successful meeting.

CLARENCE DARROW, Chicago, Ill.

I regret very much indeed that I shall be unable to be in New York on George's birthday, to take part with the faithful in what seems to be an important gathering.

Many of my friends say to me, "What are you Single Taxers doing now? This seems to be a good time for you to get your doctrine heard, when taxes are multiplying and increasing."

My answer always is that my friend should not exclude himself by the form of his question, and that our purpose is to abolish taxes altogether, for him, as well as for ourselves and others.

I do believe that the attention of thoughtful people can now be attracted. Henry George said to me once, in explanation of what I thought was the slow progress of the movement, "The people who think haven't suffered enough, and the people who suffer can't think." Perhaps more people are now both suffering and thinking. At all events, I wish the Conference every success, and trust that it means a revival of active work throughout the land.

SOLOMON SOLIS COHEN, Philadelphia, Pa.

I greatly appreciate the courtesy of an invitation to be on the programme of the New York convention. I am aware that the eternal verities were never more true than they are today. I am conscious

of the fact that a system of land tenure based on the Georgian plan could keep a democracy upon a reasonably even keel.

But I see the country drifting steadily away from that concept. I see statute law building Chinese walls about the existing speculative land system—and I suspect that when the great popular upheaval comes, which will break down those walls, we shall be thrown into the confusions and imbecilities of Socialism—or else the insanities of dictatorship.

Despite a good digestion, I am forced to the conclusion that the perfectionism of Single Tax is akin to that of the New Testament—and that its advent can only be secured by civilized people who detect a spiritual order in the cosmos.

Meanwhile I am grateful to you and your associates that you hold your torch aloft and thereby mitigate the shadows of ignorance and stupid selfishness that darken our national outlook.

WM. LLOYD GARRISON, Boston, Mass.

I thank you for your friendly invitation to be at the Henry George Congress and to speak there. I greatly regret that circumstances will prevent my accepting.

WALTER MENDELSON, Philadelphia, Pa.

I am exceedingly sorry that it is impossible for me to avail myself of the privilege and the honor you extend. I remember with pleasure the opportunity of spending a luncheon hour with the Single Taxers in Philadelphia last fall in the Ben Franklin hotel, and I shall think of you with most cordial good wishes for a happy and helpful convention as the Single Taxers know how to have and to hold.

EX-CONGRESSMAN LENTZ, Columbus, Ohio.

I do not know of anything that would give me more pleasure than a chance to address the Henry George Congress. Unfortunately, it will be impossible for me to be in New York on the date named.

EDWARD KEATING, Editor of *Labor*.

This to express my deep regret at not being able to be with you at the Single Tax conference. I look forward to report of the proceedings with great interest. No state in the Union would profit more by adoption of the Single Tax than would Kansas. All success to the conference.

HENRY WARE ALLEN, Wichita, Kan.

I leave for California tomorrow morning and cannot be back in time. It is very encouraging to know these movements are carrying on. I am in the work in California, in fact that necessitates this trip.

FREDERICK F. INGRAM, Detroit, Mich.

I regret missing this opportunity to meet so many fellow laborers in a common field.

JACKSON H. RALSTON, Palo Alto, Cal.

To you, as to others who, in their several communities, are giving attention and effort to the Good Cause, I feel under personal obligation because you are doing the work which I so earnestly wish done.

A. C. CAMPBELL, Ottawa, Can.

I wish the greatest success for the gathering and shall be glad to have a report of it.

HERBERT S. BIGELOW, Cincinnati, Ohio.

There is great need for an understanding on the part of the present generation of Henry George's wisdom respecting taxation and social progress.

GEORGE FOSTER PEABODY, Saratoga Springs, N. Y.

The date of the Convention is that of our registration at the University of Missouri and I therefore regret that I cannot accept your invitation to speak.

HARRY GUNNISON BROWN, Columbia, Missouri.

The best of good luck to the meeting. You do well to keep the old flag flying and never did the world need it more than today.

R. G. DEACHMAN, Ottawa, Canada.

It now appears that I shall not be able to attend the Congress much as I would like to but I very much hope that it will be agreeable to you and the committee to have my place taken by A. E. Schalkenbach, a member of the Schalkenbach Foundation, and now a winter resident of Fairhope. Hoping that you will have a very fine Congress.

E. B. GASTON, Editor The Fairhope Courier, Fairhope, Ala.

Your invitation to attend the Congress in New York is at hand and I should indeed like to be with you. I am with you in spirit if not in body.

J. R. HERMANN, Portland, Oregon.

The importance of Taxation is more definitely appreciated today than ever before. There is less excitement, but more knowledge. At nearly every meeting men are found who display knowledge of, and sympathy with, our views. The audience gives the closest attention when they discover that something definite is being offered.

JOHN Z. WHITE, Chicago, Ill.

I am sailing from Liverpool Sept. 14th and therefore cannot attend the Congress in New York City. I hope that the good cause will flourish the more because of this Congress and that in the proceedings the enclaves will not be overlooked.

FISKE WARREN.

I have your very cordial invitation to be present at the Single Tax Convention in New York City. I regret exceedingly that I will not be able to attend.

I regard your activity as of such great importance that if there is anything we can do to assist you, I will endeavor to have our part executed.

Had I been present at the convention I would have urged: Making LAND AND FREEDOM a monthly magazine; a series of four prizes for best essays, to boys and girls in grade and high schools, to students in universities, and to the general public; the publication of all of Henry George's books not at present on the market; the publication of booklets of a size that would fit neatly into the ordinary business envelope and of a weight not requiring extra postage.

FREDERICK H. MONROE, Chicago, Ill.

While not losing sight for an instant of our ideal, I believe we should all work through our various civic organizations for reform in the present methods of assessment and taxation, under the existing laws, and try and have those laws amended where possible on more progressive lines.

W. I. SWANTON, Washington, D. C.

I am delighted to see the very interesting programme you have prepared for the New York meeting.

T. E. BULLARD, Schuylerville, N. Y.

I deeply regret that circumstances keep me from being personally present at what I trust will prove a fine and inspiring celebration.

WARREN WORTH BAILEY, Johnstown, Pa.

Unfortunately I shall be unable to attend your Congress but will be

deeply indebted to you if you will have the kindness to have sent to me a copy of the proceedings with the addresses.

G. L. HARRINGTON, Minister of Public Works and Mines, Nova Scotia.

Other letters and telegrams were received from Newton D. Baker, Senator Walsh, of Montana, Senator Copeland, of New York, Gifford Pinchot, Patrick Edward Callahan, William A. Black, of Texas, Alex. Y. Scott, of Mississippi, John Lawrence Monroe, son of Frederick H. Monroe, Senator Dill, of Washington, Congressman Kelly, of Pennsylvania, W. D. George, of Pittsburgh, W. D. Doty, of Cleveland, Emil O. Jorgenson, of Chicago, Geo. J. Bryan, of Toronto, John S. Codman, of Boston, A. G. Beecher, of Warren, Pa., John W. Davis, democratic candidate for president in 1924, Louis F. Post, and many others.

#### LETTER FROM POULTNEY BIGELOW TO THE HENRY GEORGE CONGRESS

My Dear Henry George in Elysium:—Blessed victim of popular ignorance and religious fanaticism!

Your name is cherished wherever men dare to think and the cause for which you suffered is dear to your faithful followers here below.

In the Elysian Fields you are happy, for there can be no bigoted priests nor self seeking politicians in the realms dear to seekers after truth. I see you in converse with your peers—I see Socrates and Plato discussing with you the mysteries of Tammany Hall; I see Benjamin Franklin asking you how his Pennsylvania could so soon degenerate from Free Trade to the poisonous doctrines of Protectionism; I see Adam Smith approaching you and also David Hume, and they wish to know why you were not elected unanimously President of the United States. And then I see the philosophers of pre-guillotine France eager to give you the accolade,—Voltaire, d'Alembert, Diderot and they ask you how it happens that a nation baptized in the streams of Liberty should today have all of its great cities ruled by an alien priesthood. And finally I perceive the great physiocrat, the noble Turgot, who like yourself surrendered all worldly advantage for the sake of his country. Turgot falls upon your neck and proclaims you his beloved one. Turgot would have spared France the agonies of her bloody revolution; and you would have spared these United States the political corruption and extravagance that follow inevitably in the wake of class legislation, protectionism, socialism and the sister fads, of which the most monstrous is compulsory schooling and the smuggling of wine.

I see Henry George planning another and a better world. The man whom his own people crucified and vilified grows each day in spiritual stature because of the truths that he proclaimed and because of the unselfishness with which he labored to spread the gospel of his "Progress and Poverty".

Had he received one penny for each copy of that great book he would have left his family rich—for from Japan to the Pillars of Hercules that book is on the shelf of every political student.

I wish I could be at the gathering at New York. But that gathering coincides with my 72d birthday and at such an age the nestors recline amongst the elders whilst the fighting falls to Achilles, Hector and such vigorous youngsters.

Your excellent Secretary of the Henry George Foundation of America knows not my whereabouts—he thinks that I am near Wall Street and that I can walk to his gathering as pilgrims from Tibet seek the holy place of Buddha near Benares.

But I am far from the metropolis of money. The roads are impossible for pedestrians—the machines maim and kill far more Americans today than ever fell at Bunker Hill or Yorktown. I do not own a motor car—nor even a horse. It I travel it must be as did Apollonius of Tyana—on his feet and leaning on a staff. He also gave away all his worldly goods in order to seek the truth. He also came from a village so remote and so small that few could find it on the map.

But Apollonius of Tyana walked with more ease from his Village under the shadow of the great range of Taurus to the shores of the

Ganges than I can today tramp the 100 miles that separate my home under the Catskills from the Council Chamber of the Henry George Foundation. Had I given more time to making money and less to a search after truth I would now have a Rolls Royce instead of a wheelbarrow in my barn.

And so God bless your cause, my dear Henry George, and bless your daughter to whom these lines go with the cordial greetings of  
Your friend ever the same since 1880,

POULTNEY BIGELOW.

#### REGISTER OF ATTENDANCE AT THE HENRY GEORGE CONGRESS

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And now we have from his pen the book we have so long awaited—a real primer of political economy. The confusions of the current teachings of the science have done what they could to make it contemptible. The use of money and capital, or land and capital as synonymous terms, the failure to adequately appraise the relations of the human factor, Man, to the passive factor Land, in which term is properly included all natural resources, have made of political economy a lodge-podge which only Lewis Carroll could fitly parody.

\* The Basic Facts of Economics, by Louis F. Post. Published by the author, 2513 Twelfth St., N. W. Washington, D. C., 100 pages, cloth, price 50 cents.

This book deals with the fundamentals. After surveying the surface facts of Money and Trade, Mr. Post proceeds to the "basic facts," which are Labor and Land. The student of political economy for whom this book is primarily intended will find himself carried along by easy gradations to correct conclusions, like a child learning to spell, and finally to read the characters, and last of all to determine the meaning of these characters and the lessons that underlie them.

It is Post at his best—all the ripened experience of fifty years of unremitting teaching of the simplest yet profoundest of the sciences, is brought to bear on this very successful attempt to dispel the confusions which have grown up around the political economy taught in our colleges and universities.

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## NEWS NOTES AND PERSONALS

J. R. HERMANN, of Portland, Oregon, writes us that never have the papers in that state closed their columns so tightly against Single Tax news and communications. On the 2nd of September a Henry George celebration was held in Portland and the papers gave not a line to it.

WE have received news of the death of W. H. Porterfield, part owner and contributing editor of the San Diego, Calif. *Sun*. In 1913 he made an extensive European tour and wrote a series of articles that attracted wide attention. During the war he was special correspondent for the Scripps newspapers at Washington. He was a convert to Georgeism, being largely influenced by Edmund Norton. He entered heartily into the Single Tax campaigns of 1912 and 1914.

ANOTHER stalwart friend of the movement who took an active part in the Single Tax campaign in California has passed away in the person of J. H. Ryckman, who was always a welcome contributor to these pages. "Judge" Ryckman, as he was called by courtesy, was of Socialistic tinge, but these predilections never permitted him to swerve from his conviction that the land question was fundamental. He died suddenly while at a meeting of the Freeland Club of Los Angeles which had assembled at a cafeteria to celebrate the birthday of Henry George. Following the supper there was discussion in which Judge Ryckman took part, apparently feeling as well as ever. A few minutes after resuming his seat he fell over and expired. The cause has lost a devoted disciple and a powerful advocate. Memorial services were held September 25th under the auspices of the Civil Liberties Union and other organizations with which Mr. Ryckman was affiliated.

W. A. Cronberger, of Cleveland, Ohio, writes: "The last number of *LAND AND FREEDOM* was very, very good."

"A Single Tax Colony, An Economic Experiment at Fairhope, Alabama," is the title of a six page illustrated article by R. F. Powell in the *Review of Reviews* for August. Some abstracts of this article will be given in next issue. Mr. Powell was present at the Congress and gave an interesting talk on Fairhope.

In August of this year the *Fairhope Courier* began its 34th year. This paper, issued weekly, is the organ of the Single Tax colony on the shores of Mobile Bay. The first number was issued in 1894.

AUGUST WILLEGES, of Sioux City, Iowa, wrote a short time before the meeting of the Henry George Congress, "You certainly have a wonderful programme, and you must know that it almost breaks my heart at not being able to participate and meet those friends of former days."

THE current revival of Gilbert and Sullivan's operas recalls to George R. Macey an interesting historical incident. His first political campaigning was in the interest of William Henry Smith for Parliament