

David Gibson, publisher of the *Loraine Journal* and *Mansfield Journal*, and Marvin C. Harrison, Cleveland attorney. The toastmaster was John W. Raper, columnist on the *Cleveland Press*, who, we are told, is the author of that world famous line, "The Lord giveth, and the landlord taketh away." Hostesses for this occasion were Mrs. Horace Carr, Mrs. Edward A. Hach, Miss Mildred Parker, Mrs. J. E. Tuckerman and Miss Hazel Witt. Edgar S. Byers, attorney, was treasurer of the dinner committee, the dinner being sponsored by the Henry George Foundation of America.

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DETAILS OF TOUR OF CLAUDE L. WATSON

March 26—Toledo, O.; spoke to the Saturday Night Forum on "Why Poverty Amidst Plenty;" 200 present; at luncheon answered questions, and Mr. Monroe formed the nucleus of a Henry George Club for Toledo.

March 27—Pittsburgh, Pa.; 45-minute talk to the Pittsburgh Theosophical Society on "Unemployment: A Barrier to Brotherhood;" questions.

March 28—Pittsburgh, Pa.; addressed Hungry Club on "Why Poverty Amidst Plenty;" 45 minutes; an equal period of time to questions and answers; 300 present.

March 29—New Philadelphia, O.; after-luncheon talk to Lions Club on "Why Poverty Amidst Plenty;" a candidate for Congress was present and asked questions.

March 30—Martins Ferry, O.; Kiwanis Club of Martins Ferry and Bridgeport on "Why Poverty Amidst Plenty;" 50 present, including candidates for legislative and other offices.

April 1—Minerva, O.; after-dinner talk to Rotary Club on "Unemployment: A Challenge to America;" questions.

April 4—Dayton, O.; monthly banquet of the Dayton Real Estate Board on topic "Getting Rid of Tax Muddles." During discussion a number present brought out arguments in favor of Single Tax from the realtor's point of view.

April 5—Columbus, O.; talk to Lions Club on "Why Poverty Amidst Plenty." At 8:00 p. m. an hour's talk to Taxpayers' Research Association on "Tax Muddles," followed by lively period of questions, heckling and discussion lasting for almost two hours; 100 present.

April 6—Canton, O.; to members of Central Labor Union on "Why Poverty;" questions and discussion; inspiring meeting, one speaker saying it brought back to him the spirit of the days of Henry George.

April 7—Hamilton, O.; address to the Rotary Club, at which Mayor of Hamilton presided.

April 11—Marion, Ind.; talk to Lions Club, at which secretary of Y. M. C. A. presided; several ministers present, one a Georgist and two others remaining for an hour of question and discussion as to best way to spread philosophy; 30 present.

April 12—Hammond, Ind.; Rotary Club; several remained to ask questions and plan for other talks at later time; 25 present.

April 13—Michigan City, Ind.; 30 minutes to the Lions Club; several remained for further inquiry; five volunteered to act as committee to organize Henry George Club; 40 present.

April 14—La Porte, Ind.; spoke on "Tax Muddles" at noon-day meeting of Kiwanis Club; a number remained to ask questions; 30 present.

April 18—Birmingham, Mich.; noon luncheon of the Rotary Club, with members of Gyro Club present as guests; J. B. Howarth, a friend of Henry George and an ardent Single Taxer, presided; 50 present.

April 18—Flint, Mich.; an hour's talk to the Real Estate Association of Flint, on "Tax Muddles," followed by questions, discussion; 75 present.

April 19—Lansing, Mich.; noon day talk on "Unemployment"

to "Radiator Club" of Reo Motor Company, Mayor of Lansing and officials of company being in attendance; 75 present. At 6:00 p. m. gave talk on "Henry George's Religion" to Young Men's Forum of Y. M. C. A., at which Ray Robson gave address on "The Single Tax in Michigan;" 25 present. At 8:00 p. m. hour's address on "Why Poverty" to Henry George Club meeting in Municipal Court Room; questions and discussion; 75 present.

(In the intervals between meetings visits were made to the two branches of the State Legislature, which was in session to meet members of that body and listen to the discussions.)

April 20—Detroit, Mich.; Federation of Labor, meeting in the Labor Temple listened to an hour's talk on "Unemployment: A Challenge to Labor," emphasis being laid upon necessity of political action to put into effect labor's endorsement of Henry George as evidenced by two planks in the platform of the Detroit Federation of Labor, one favoring "taxation of land values irrespective of improvements," the other calling for the "abolition of all indirect taxes." In the hour of questions and discussion which followed, the president, Frank X. Martel, George Barclay (who had arranged for the talk) and other Detroit Single Taxers ably supported the point of view of the speaker; 200 present.

April 21—Grand Rapids, Mich.; Herman Friedrich, secretary of Grand Rapids' Henry George Club, had made arrangements for a full day of activity. At noon a talk was given on "Why Poverty" at luncheon of "Wolverine Club," a number remaining for further inquiry; 40 present. This was followed by afternoon meeting of Henry George Club in Y. M. C. A., a number of Single Taxers from other cities present; talk on "Single Tax as a Way Out" was followed by questions and lively discussion; 25 present. At 8:00 p. m. an hour's talk at midweek meeting of Lutheran Church on "Poverty: A Challenge to Christianity," followed by a like period of inquiry and answers; Dr. Frank C. Jarvis, Congressional candidate and an active Single Taxer, presided; over 125 present.

April 22—Lansing, Mich.; return dates arranged by active workers of Lansing Henry George Club filled another day in Michigan State capital. The day began with talk on "The Fundamentals of Henry George" before Dr. Patten's class in political economy at Michigan State College in East Lansing; next an afternoon luncheon address to Women's Republican Club on "Solving Our Tax Problems," followed by questions and discussion; in addition to more than 100 members of the club present, there were several city, county and State officials and a number of aspirants for office in the approaching primaries; Mrs. R. C. Spencer, president of Women's Republican Club, active member of Henry George Club and delegate to the Republican National Convention, presided; Mrs. Ray Robson introduced the speaker. The day closed with a dinner by Henry George Club and Theosophical Society of Lansing, with Mr. Watson as guest of honor. Here he spoke upon "Henry George and Universal Brotherhood." Ray Robson, president of Henry George Club, reports a number of new members and increased interest as a result of Mr. Watson's visit.

April 24 to 29—South Bend, Ind.—From Lansing Mr. Watson went to South Bend, where Dr. E. G. Freyermuth had arranged for a full week of lecture engagements.

April 24 (Sunday)—Mr. Watson spoke on "The Way Out" before Men's Sunday Forum Club of First Christian Church of South Bend, the Rev. Elmer Ward Cole presiding; 30-minute talk, followed by a period of rapid-fire questions and answers; 175 in attendance.

April 25—Day began with talk before St. Joseph County Ministerial Association at South Bend Y. M. C. A. Mr. Watson spoke on "Poverty a Challenge to Christianity," and offered the solution proposed by Henry George as the only one in harmony with Christian ideals. The questions propounded indicated a most receptive and sympathetic attitude on the part of twenty-five or more ministers and rabbis present. At noon a luncheon talk to members and guests of South

Bend Chamber of Commerce on "Getting Rid of Tax Muddles;" about 60 present. In the evening a talk to Carpenters' Union on "Unemployment," an hour devoted to talk and questions which followed; 40 members of union present.

April 26—Mishawaka, Ind.; day given over to this neighboring city; noonday talk to members of Mishawaka Exchange Club on "Taxation According to Benefits;" 20 members present. Evening talk on "Why Poverty Amidst Plenty" was given to members of Moose Lodge of Mishawaka; at least 35 present.

April 27 and 28—Days given over to personal talks with city officials, editors, business and professional men, a number of whom were found to be in sympathy with Single Tax principles and proposals.

April 29—Day opened with talk to 100 students of South Bend Business College on "The Equitable Distribution of Wealth," which held undivided attention of students and members of faculty. Then a noonday talk to members of Knights of Columbus, Mr. Watson speaking on "Henry George, the Man Sent From God," at the conclusion of which the chairman, in behalf of those present, assured the speaker they would not fail to follow up the study of the principles which had been presented.

The week's work was brought to a close by informal talk to members of South Bend Henry George Club, at which a number of new names were added to the list of members.

May 1—Milwaukee, Wis.; "Unemployment: A Barrier to Brotherhood" was subject of an hour's talk at a public meeting of Milwaukee Theosophical Society; followed by the customary question period, during which Mr. Watson was asked to sum up his impressions gained as a result of his recent lecture tour and the possibilities of growth of the Single Tax movement; at least 100 present.

May 4—Roseland, Ill.; noonday luncheon of Kiwanis Club; Mr. Watson spoke on "Why Poverty Amidst Plenty."

West Chicago was reached that evening, and an after-dinner talk on "Getting Rid of Tax Muddles" was followed by an hour of questions and discussions; 25 present.

May 5—Chicago, Ill.; meeting of Ogden Park Improvement Association; Mr. Watson spoke on "Unemployment and Taxation;" 35 members of association and some visitors present.

May 6—Chicago, Ill.; Logan Square Lions Club heard an address by Mr. Watson on "Why Poverty Amidst Plenty," which brought forth much questioning and discussion from a number who remained after the luncheon; 40 members and guests present.

Schalkenbach Foundation Work

IN the last issue of LAND AND FREEDOM reference was made to the advertising work of the Robert Schalkenbach Foundation in reaching new people. The results of that February campaign among special lists of names, including high schools and colleges, and in which nearly 10,000 circulars were sent out, have been extremely gratifying. During March and April and early May 1,172 books have gone out of the office. This makes a total for the year May, 1931, to May, 1932, of 5,757 books distributed, of which 2,920 are the unabridged "Progress and Poverty." A very substantial part of this total comprises the orders received from high schools and colleges, and of course in that figure must be included various special distributions to libraries.

An editor of a small but well-run country newspaper, the *Barnesville* (Ga.) *News-Gazette*, happened to see our

bookplate in a copy of "Significant Paragraphs" that was given to the local library, and he became so interested in the book that he sent for other books by Henry George, including the unabridged "Progress and Poverty." We are asking Mr. Miller, editor of LAND AND FREEDOM, to reprint in full on page 102 the splendid front-page tribute that this editor, Mr. Ben Hardy, Jr., paid to the work of Henry George after reading "Progress and Poverty."

The advertising of Henry George's books in the New York newspapers last autumn brought us requests for speakers from several organizations, which engagements were filled by Mr. Oscar Geiger. In addition to stimulating the sale of books both directly from the office and through the local bookstores, the demand for George's books in the public libraries was increased. After taking this matter up with the librarians, who aided us by inquiring from the local branches in regard to this demand, the Foundation donated to the various branch libraries in different parts of the city a total of 204 books, in accordance with specific requests for allotments. In Brooklyn and Queens the newspapers gave publicity to these donations.

We spoke also in the last issue of an article on the Single Tax and its relation to the current depression, written by Mr. Byron W. Holt, which appeared in the *St. Louis Post-Dispatch*. That paper very kindly reprinted 2,000 copies of Mr. Holt's article for the Foundation, and we distributed them to editors of news and trade papers and to publicists; sent a number of copies to various people who we thought might be interested. The article has been reprinted in full on the editorial pages of the *Portland* (Me.) *News*, the *New Orleans Tribune*, the *Coshocton Tribune* and the *Atlantic City Press*.

A letter from Mr. Waldauer, of Memphis, Tenn., informs us that a new enclave or colony has been started in Wall Hill, Miss., about thirty-five miles from Memphis. They have seven colonists and the enclavial land is under lease. This is the first experiment of the kind in the State of Mississippi.

Among the people whom we note in our news-clippings are the following who are doing active work of one kind or another in their respective communities:

Dr. Mark Millikin of Hamilton O.; Mr. James P. Kohler, Fort Myers, Fla.; Mr. A. C. Campbell, who spoke over the radio in Ottawa, Canada; Mr. Robson of Lansing Mich., who has organized a Henry George Club in that city; Mr. A. G. Freyermuth, of South Bend., Ind., who is doing similar work in his community. There are a large number of men and women who are writing splendid letters to the newspapers. Among those whom we happened to notice this month are: Mrs. Cossette, Mr. Sudell, Mr. Graham, Mr. Alexander, and our own director, Mr. Bolton Hall, who had an interesting letter in the *New Republic* of April 20.

It may be of interest to note that in response to some o