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Henry George Congress in Chicago

We are glad to have the report from Mr Percy R. Williams and from the *Chicago Single Taxer*, issued in special edition and edited by Miss Marien Tideman, telling of the success of the Convention in Chicago on 10th to 12th September, being the third annual Henry George Congress held under the auspices of the Henry George Foundation of America.

The official registration showed 215 enrolled delegates and many others were present in addition, making the attendance not less than 300 at several of the sessions. In representative character, with members present from 22 States of the Union, the Conference excelled its predecessors at Philadelphia in 1926 and New York in 1927.

The addresses delivered in the course of the eleven sessions and related gatherings covered a wide range of subjects to which no fewer than 50 leading speakers contributed. Some of the matters more particularly dealt with were education and various means of enlisting the young; the bearing of land value taxation on agriculture and the farmers' position; practical application of the land value policy, as in Pittsburgh; propaganda activities in many fields and how they may be strengthened; and the international movement. In the matter of educational efforts Mrs Anna George de Mille spoke on the plans formulated by the Robert Schalkenbach Foundation to foster essay contests on the philosophy of Henry George in schools and colleges, in order to attract the interest of the young people in such educational institutions. It is to be hoped that this plan will do something to counteract the organized false teaching which Mr Emil Jorgensen has so thoroughly exposed in his book and about which he also spoke at the Conference.

The Hon. Charles O'Connor Hennessy made a stirring appeal to join the International Union, and support by presence or affiliation the coming International Conference in Edinburgh.