

HENRY GEORGE SCHOOL OF SOCIAL SCIENCE

Westminster. Economic study classes for the Winter Term begin on January 22 and 24 at 4 Great Smith Street, S.W.1. Courses are: Basic Economics and Social Philosophy (Basic Course), International Trade and The Science of Political Economy. They will run for ten weeks and will be held on Tuesdays and Thursdays, 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Much of the publicity work including the preparation and distribution of leaflets, circularising and general clerical work is being undertaken by past students of the School.

At the last meeting of the term Mr. V. H. Blundell summarised the Basic Course and invited students to enrol for the extension courses; the work and aims of the School were outlined and an appeal made for support. Encouraging has been the help already given by students who have completed only the first course—a tribute to the work and enthusiasm of the tutors. On Tuesday, December 18, the annual Social evening was held, at which funds were raised for the School.

A One-Day School on "Land Value Taxation—its Ethical, Economic, Practical and Political Aspects," is to be held at the Caxton Hall, London, on Saturday, February 16, 1952. The Conference will be held under the auspices of the United Committee for the Taxation of Land Values, who have appointed the Sub-Committee under the Chairmanship of Mrs. Joan O'Leary to make all the necessary arrangements. Admission will be 2s. 6d. for the day and luncheon and tea will be available between the sessions for those who give notification beforehand that they will require it. The meeting is to be open to the public and will receive wide publicity. Readers of *LAND & LIBERTY* are asked to make this One-Day School known to as many as possible—further details with the complete programme will be available later.

An intensive course in Danish specially designed for those attending the International Conference in Denmark, is to be held at 4 Great Smith Street, S.W.1, under the auspices of the London County Council Education Committee. The course will consist of 26 lessons and will be held weekly on Fridays (6.30 to 8.30) starting on January 18. The fee is 10s. The class has been organised by Mrs. Maureen Whitehouse at the request of a number of students of the Henry George School who will be among the party travelling to Denmark next summer, but the class is open to all who are interested. So far 16 names have been entered for the course.

Discussion-lectures to be held at Hope House in the new year include one entitled "University Economics" by a graduate of the London School of Economics and another on "From Want and War to Plenty and Peace," which will be given by a speaker from the Society of Brothers, Shropshire.

On Tuesday, November 20, Miss D. Bretherton, B.A., addressed students on "Natural Rights—the Individual and the Community." Miss Bretherton, who stated that her special subject was logic, was provided with much opportunity to exercise it at question time. The discussion brought out many interesting points of view on natural rights, but while the audience were agreed on fundamentals, there appeared to be little agreement among the professors whom the speaker quoted.

Croydon. On Wednesday, December 5, the final meeting of the session was held, Mr. V. H. Blundell attending to deal with special aspects of Henry George's philosophy and to answer queries from the students. Plans are already in hand for a new course on the Science of Political Economy which is to start on Monday, January 21, 1952. Mr. Pat O'Leary who took the previous class will be the tutor. Publicity and general arrangements are in the hands of Mrs. Joan O'Leary who has been successful in getting an announcement of the new term included in "Follow Through" the official magazine of the Croydon Adult Education Committee. The class will be held at the Adult School rooms, East Croydon.

Iford. The newly formed class held among the Iford Young Liberals under the auspices of the School is maintaining full attendance. The members of this group which is under the tutelage of Mr. R. R. Blundell, are showing much enthusiasm in their studies, remaining long after the formal closing time to discuss various aspects of what they are learning. Guest tutors from Headquarters will visit them during the term to talk on points of special interest in the Course.

Manchester. The Winter Term of classes begins in January under the direction of Mr. C. S. Lees and will be held at the Holdsworth Hall, Deansgate. A special class for the training of tutors is in preparation and will run concurrently with the Basic Course class.

Glasgow. A summary of the Basic Course given by Dr. F. M. Smith and a discussion initiated by one of the students on "Points that still baffle me," were the subjects of the last meeting of the term which was held on December 19. A number of students who completed the Basic Course under the guidance of Mr. N. W. Hopkins enrolled for the class on International Trade which starts in January. Also scheduled to start in the New Year is a new class for the Basic Course and one for the study of The Science of Political Economy.

Portsmouth. Class meetings will continue to be held in the New Year at Foresters' Hall, Fratton Road, on Tuesdays, 7 p.m., with Mr. H. Stoakes as tutor. Mr. H. R. Lee (Secretary of the Portsmouth League) and Mr. Stoakes are being assisted in the publicity work by Mr. A. Bradburn, who has generously provided posters for display at public libraries and other vantage spots.

Liverpool (Crosby). The class for the study of *Progress and Poverty*, suspended on December 18, will resume its studies on January 7. Mr. E. Stephens, who conducts the class, hopes to follow with a class on International Trade. The Henry George Fellowship meets on the first Friday of each month at 48 Kingsway, Waterloo.

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London. The National Convention of the Liberal Party held at the Kingsway Hall, London, on Saturday, December 15, provided an excellent opportunity for propaganda among the 1,200 delegates who attended. At the entrance to the Hall, nine volunteers distributed leaflets both in the morning and afternoon. Material given out included the special leaflet giving the Liberal Party pledges on Land Value Taxation since 1889 to 1950, an invitation to the One-Day School on Land Value Taxation to be held in February and the two-coloured leaflets which were reproduced in the last issue of *LAND & LIBERTY*. The Convention was preceded by a public meeting on the Friday evening, where Georgeists also distributed leaflets. A number of enquiries have been received at the offices of the United Committee as a result of this activity.

The Annual Dinner will be held on Saturday, February 2, at Schmidt's Restaurant, Charlotte Street, W.1, 6 p.m. for 6.30 p.m. All ex-students of the Henry George School and members of associated organisations are cordially invited to attend. Tickets 6s. 6d. Guest speaker for the occasion will be Mr. Frank Dupuis, who will give an address on The Land Question in Africa.

Glasgow Georgeists. The inaugural meeting of the Glasgow Georgeists was held on Wednesday, October 17. It has been formed by ex-students of the School who have pledged themselves to assist in the work of the movement. At the first discussion meeting Dr. Smith initiated a discussion by using Henry Hazlitt's book *Economics in One Lesson*. The Georgeists have all promised to assist in an intensive house-to-house canvass in January to enrol students for the new classes.

Clitheroe. Mrs. F. Sumner, who with one or two occasional helpers has for so long been fighting a hard battle to propagate the ideas of Henry George, has now been joined by two enthusiasts she has won over to the movement—Mr. C. Stanley of Accrington and Mr. R. J. Murray of Great Harwood. These keen supporters, with Mrs. Sumner, are maintaining a regular flow of letters to the press and taking many other opportunities to publicise land value taxation and free trade. Recently letters have appeared in the *Accrington Observer*, *Northern Daily Telegraph*, *Blackburn Times*, and the *Clitheroe Advertiser and Times*. Letters have also been sent to National Dailies and Weeklies and to various organisations. Leaflets and booklets are being distributed through many channels. During the General Election, Mrs. Sumner and Miss Hartley distributed over 1,000 leaflets at a Labour demonstration in Blackburn.

Plans for the New Year include a special meeting to launch a study class of the Henry George School (March 10) and a public