

New Action in Argentina

From Mr. E. Lemos Ortega, in Seville, we have learned with great pleasure that a group of forty-seven Georgeists in the Argentine have established the "Institute For Economic Education" with a centre at Calle Bartolome Mitre, 950, Buenos Aires.

The Institute in its prospectus asserts the principle that all men have equal rights to the gifts of nature with advantages and privileges to none, that the liberty to produce freely is the fundamental basis of social order without which all other liberty must perish. It will be the function of the Institute to provide for those whose mother tongue is Spanish the same opportunities to study the principles of an economic science based on natural law as are enjoyed in North America, England, Denmark and elsewhere, and to which tribute is paid. Books and pamphlets are to be published including translations which the Institute will itself undertake. Already three books have been written, namely *The World of the Future—American Capitalism or Russian Communism?* by Dr. Carlos P. Carranza; *Why Liberty Dies*, by Antonio Manuel Molinari; and *The Land Problem in Spain and the World*, by Jose Balbontin and Dr. Carranza. Mr. Balbontin, a lawyer of great intellectual calibre, was formerly a Communist Deputy in the days of the Spanish Popular Front. Dr. Carranza is also a Spanish emigré lawyer, a one-time officer of the Single Tax movement in Spain, colleague of Baldomero Argente and of Lemos Ortega himself.

Plans are laid for conducting study classes, the first course, already held, being under the tutorship of Dr. Carranza. Students were reported to be much interested in the lectures as was shown by the part they took in the ensuing discussions. A second course on "The Development of Economic Ideas" was due to start early in September, the tutor being Dr. Antonio Manuel Molinari, translator of *Progress and Poverty* and the Peronist leader in the Chamber of Deputies. For those unable to attend the Institute a correspondence course is under the care of Mr. Hugo Fua-Lammessine, lately a tutor at the Henry George School of Social Science in New York.

Subjects chosen for the monthly dinners being held at the Institute's centre for the months August to December are "The Foundation of the New Political

Economy" (Dr. Carranza), "Land in the New Political Economy" (Engineer Mauricio Birabent), "Capital and Monopoly in the New Political Economy" (Eduardo S. Azzereto), "The Place of Labour in the New Political Economy" (Enrique de Bie) and "Money and its Character in the New Political Economy" (Dr. Juan J. Tuercke). A special end-of-the-year dinner, to be held December 20, will be addressed by an architect, Mr. Jorje Salnay, under the title "Planning and the Free Economy." At each dinner a short talk on the theme "Natural Law in Economics" will be given, with discussion to follow. The texts of the addresses will be published for sale by the Institute.

The news of this fine enterprise will rejoice all our readers and it will especially enhearten our colleagues in Spain whose sustained vigilance in their home land, despite many present handicaps, has done so much to inspire it.