

SPANISH NEWS AND VIEWS

Members of the International Union in Barcelona have sent a memorial with 32 signatures addressed to the International Conference in Odense. They make a number of recommendations in the form of motions for adoption such as: means for making LAND & LIBERTY a still more influential magazine for the world movement; the provision of matrixes of important articles appearing in various journals which could be exchanged for republication in leaflet or pamphlet form; the creation of an Esperantist section within the International Union; the standardising of Henry George's books and of the student material thereby assisting the extension of Schools; that there should be correspondence courses in Spanish and in Esperanto specially to train tutors for study circles on the Henry George social philosophy in Spain and South America; through the International Union the formation of young people associations throughout the world to strengthen existing groups whose influence should be used to introduce the teaching of the Henry George philosophy in the schools.

This memorial, with its many signatories, is very gratifying evidence of the keen interest our Spanish co-workers take in the advancement of the movement.

The January-March, 1952, issue of the Barcelona Catholic journal *Obra Mercedaria* has been received. It has four most informing pages. One gives the final instalment of the Rev. Dr. Edward McGlynn's historic Doctrinal Statement (on the Henry George principle and policy) and it is gratifying that the whole of the statement is now available in Spanish text. Two pages are devoted to an article "Is Georgeism Viable" by Leonardo de Isusquiza in which the author takes up and replies to the criticisms in the book "The Third Solution" by the writer Sr. Segura. The remaining page is a "Georgeist Chronicle" announcing various activities and events, such as the work of the Robert Schalkenbach Foundation in New York, the International Conference in Denmark, the reports in LAND & LIBERTY, various writings in Spanish periodicals and last but not least the permissive legislation in Pennsylvania enabling 47 cities to rate land values.

Mr. J. Anglada-Prior writes from Barcelona that this month an autocar caravan of Danish Esperantist tourists are visiting Spain. They are accompanied throughout by Mr. Jesus Paluzie who, a keen devotee of our ideas, is seeing that all these tourists have copies of both the Danish and the Esperanto translation of the International Union's (Swanwick) declaration of principle and policy. Mr. Anglada himself recently gave a public lecture on "Georgeism and Universal Co-operation" to the cultural section of the Weavers' Association, so well received that the Board of Directors have invited a further address.

Also most encouraging is the letter from Baldomero Argente in Madrid (Argente, the translator of all Henry George's works who should have been at the 1949 Swanwick Conference but that illness intervened). He contributed a series of articles, continued over many months in the daily newspaper *Prensa*, thus helping to educate a very wide public. Mr. Argente conveys warmest greetings to the Odense Conference deeply regretting his own inability to attend.