

It was good news to learn of the new Hong Kong extension in the December HGN. Perhaps your readers would like to know what "seeding"

produced this.

A nurse who took the course at St. Louis went to Hong Kong to serve with the Lutheran Hospital there. Although there was no response from her over the years to indicate interest on her part, our school material followed her.

It happened that she lived in the same complex of apartments occupied by Dr. Wong Po-Shang\*, and no doubt feeling he was a better repository of this material than a waste basket she passed it on to him, after learning that he was an economist. Later she asked that his name rather than hers be placed on our mailing list. We did not remove her name however.

From that time on publications of various kinds were sent regularly from the school and the Public Revenue Education Council. Correspondence and friendship grew, and Dr. Wong became a very good pen-pal.

Everyone loves Johnny Appleseed who planted apple trees wherever he went. Georgists too can be seeders of economic knowledge. Some of the seeds will take root.

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It is difficult to single out particular important parts of that remarkable book, *Progress and Poverty*, because

almost every paragraph contains an important truth. Henry George's evaluation of, and his insight into, human nature are important because they enabled him to present cause and effect in a manner that is sincere and convincing.

This is more than a book on political economy. It is also a good study of the problems of our times from a psychological and philosophical approach. The idea of a single tax is the most creative and therefore the most important part of the book. It is revolutionary and at the same time conservative — revolutionary because it renounces injustice, conservative because it preserves equal rights on which our constitution is founded.

I think that Henry George's idea of a single tax is a sound one and it should be considered thoughtfully by all, and in particular by our leaders.

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I enjoyed reading Kate de Fremery's article in the October HGN, "An Appeal to Youth." It had some interesting ideas. In the area relating to the religious influence of the parents upon young children, the Bible, coming out in modern publications now, has created a new interest and resurgence in Biblical literature and ethics. After all, where did Henry George go for his fundamental concepts on land but to the biblical source? I found the children in a Sunday School class of mine very interested in the Jubilee and Sabbatical years with regard to land ownership. I may not have made Georgists but who knows — as Robert Clancy says, "a seed is sown." At any rate, it makes for very good discussion.

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