

Attorney McNair and Secretary Williams have continued to address clubs and organizations in various parts of the state. Mr. McNair has spoken recently in Philadelphia, West Chester, Harrisburg, Gettysburg and Pittsburgh. Mr. Williams has addressed audiences in Warren, Wilkensburg, New Castle, Pottsville, Mahanoy City and Harrisburg, is scheduled for several engagements in New York State in April, and plans to spend the first week of May in Delaware where Frank T. Stirlith is taking the leadership by a renewal of the legislative campaign in that state.

George E. Evans, President of the Henry George Foundation, was the speaker on March 7th before the forum of the Individualist School of Economics in Boston and had the pleasure of meeting the leading Single Taxers of that city. He also addressed the Credit Men's Association of Johnstown at a largely attended dinner on February 27th.

By a joint arrangement with the Henry George Lecture Association, Hon. George H. Duncan, of New Hampshire, will make a two-weeks tour of Pennsylvania cities beginning May 1st. His appearance is expected to strengthen materially the movement for a further legislative advance in Pennsylvania.

The Warren *Evening Times*, is another Pennsylvania newspaper that has come out editorially in favor of the Pittsburgh graded tax plan, commenting on the address of Secretary Williams to the Rotary Club of Warren on March 5th. The *Harrisburg Telegraph* featured most prominently the conference resulting in the formation of the Fair Taxation League and has given repeated editorial endorsement to the special taxation of land values as a means of breaking up land monopoly in Harrisburg and lightening the tax burden on the owners of improved property. With the development of new journalistic support of such strength, and the unwavering loyalty of the *Johnstown Democrat*, edited by Warren Worth Bailey, the Pennsylvania campaigners will be enabled to reach quite a large constituency.

## Death Takes Henry George Foundation Leaders

**I**N the death of United States Senator Woodbridge N. Ferris, of Michigan on March 23d, the Single Tax movement has lost a sincere friend in high official circles and the Henry George Foundation a valued member of its board of trustees, to which place he was elected last September. This is the first death that has occurred among the trustees of the Henry George Foundation since its incorporation in August, 1926. Senator Ferris was 75 years of age and had had a long and useful career, crowning his achievements by serving first as Governor of Michigan and then as United States Senator.

One of the original founders of the Henry George Foundation passed away early in March, when Capt. Charles W. Brown, President of the Pittsburgh Plate Glass Company, answered the call at the age of 70. Capt. Brown, before he became a captain of industry, was a captain of vessels sailing the seas. He knew Henry George in the early days and was a great admirer of George and his philosophy. While he was not able to take an active part in Single Tax work and declined official honors, he was a generous supporter of the movement and was in full accord with the economic teachings of Henry George. He was held in high esteem by all who knew him, and had an unusually large circle of friends and associates.

## Death of John Doyle

**J**OHAN M. DOYLE, a very faithful member of our Denver Single Tax group, died September 30, 1927. Mr. Doyle was well known to many Single Taxers who are actively engaged in propaganda work. He was a generous contributor. He subscribed for every publication that advocated our cause in England, the United States and Australia; He was an indefatigable letter writer and would send letters to editors and the persons that he considered influential, hoping that some seed might fall on fruitful soil. He was a pioneer in the movement here and later in Milwaukee, of which city he had been an earlier resident, afterwards returning here a second time about sixteen years ago. He was engaged in the furniture business, 1849 Welton Street, until about six months before his death. Mr. Doyle was a printer in Milwaukee and Denver for a number of years and retained his membership in the Typographical Union up to the time of his death. His funeral was conducted under the auspices of that organization.

His furniture store was always well supplied with Single Tax books and newspapers and those wishing to avail themselves of information on the subject were free to help themselves. He saw to it that the students at our state university and other colleges were supplied with literature, and was active in seeing that books dealing with our side of the economic problem were placed in the public library here. For several years past Mr. Doyle contributed freely toward defraying expenses of every Single Tax lecturer that came to Colorado. We shall miss him. He was a warm admirer of LAND AND FREEDOM. He enjoyed the personal acquaintance of John Z. White whom he held in high regard and with whom he frequently corresponded.

Mr. Doyle was buried in the printers' plot at Riverside cemetery not far from where a brother of John Z. White who died here in 1886, is buried. A large number of Mr. Doyle's friends assembled to pay the last tribute of respect at his funeral. Denver Typographical Union No. 49 was especially well represented.

Mr. Doyle was 69 years old, and even in recent months when oppressed with a distressing kidney disease his

zeal for propagating the philosophy of freedom was never abated. Henry George's gospel never had a more enthusiastic and devoted advocate.

JOHN B. MCGAURAN.

## Chicago Active Again

IT was a great dinner held by the Chicago Single Tax Club on the evening of Saturday, February 11th. It was indeed a pleasure to find one's self among a group of seventy-five to a hundred sympathetic souls. It was a pleasure to listen to speakers of individual characteristics, the wit and logic of John Z. White, the human sympathy and beauty of expression of Andrew P. Canning and the simplicity and sincerity of Wiley Mills Wright—these were what impressed me most in the three principal speeches of the evening.

Mr. Mills, as alderman of the Chicago City Council, does an invaluable work in bringing about a practical application of land value taxation principles; Mr. White, with his knowledge of history and human nature, is without a peer in the advocacy of the Henry George doctrine; and Mr. Canning has no equal in inspiring his hearers with a conviction of the justice of the remedy we advocate.

Mr. Mills told us something of his intimate relationship with Louis Post and described the funeral, which both Mr. Mills and Mr. Canning attended in Washington.

Mr. White pointed out in the course of his duties as toastmaster that the cause for the failure of democracy in the past has been the lack of knowledge. The aristocratic, land-owning class gradually became so tyrannical that the people realizing their misfortunes, would rebel eventually and get control of the government themselves. But not knowing the first principles in the governing of the great estates which the masses took upon themselves, the land-owning class would again seize the reins—and the whip. He quoted the verses by Don Sietz:

"The masses are asses  
Who do as they're told,  
Ridden to market  
And traded for gold.  
Once in a while,  
To see how it feels,  
They throw off their riders  
And kick up their heels.  
This being done  
They halt in their track,  
Whereupon their riders  
Promptly climb back."

But he added, with a ray of optimism, that the Single Tax is the one economic reform that actually knows how scientifically, justly and equitably to manage the great public estate in the interests of all the people. The greatness of Henry George Mr. White emphasized as the pos-

session of great ideals and the requisite knowledge to a practical realization of these ideals.

James R. Brown, for whom the dinner was originally planned, was so ill that he was unable to make the trip from New York.

Mr. George C. Olcott read a fine paper on the Valuation of Urban Land which he had given at the Henry George Congress last September.

Mr. Henry Tideman was to give a talk on "Youth in the Single Tax Movement," but he very kindly relinquished this pleasant duty to the undersigned. I expressed on behalf of the young Single Taxers of Chicago appreciation of the efforts of Mr. Ewing, Mr. Murray and Mr. Tideman (officers of the Chicago Single Tax Club) in starting the bi-weekly Friday evening discussion meetings. The value of these gatherings lies not only in the opportunity they afford for self-expression on the floor, but in the stimulation which they give to our youthful adherents.

Marien Tideman is editing a little paper which announces and reviews the meetings, and this appears on the Tuesdays prior to the meetings. It is hoped that this little publication will grow to enable it to talk more in detail of Single Tax activities in the city and vicinity.

Many of those attending the meetings have been stimulated to a more serious study of "Progress and Poverty." And no one can call himself a Single Taxer until he has mastered that great work.

—JOHN LAWRENCE MONROE.

## Chicago Prepares to Entertain Henry George Congress

THE third annual Henry George Congress will be held in Chicago on September 10, 11 and 12, and preparations for a great gathering are already under way. The invitation to go to Chicago this year was extended at the New York convention last September by Clayton J. Ewing, President of the Chicago Single Tax Club, and was gladly accepted, thus enabling all friends of the cause who appreciate the opportunity to meet and confer with their fellow-workers, to have ample time this year to make early plans.

President Evans announces the appointment of Mr. Ewing as Chairman of the Convention Committee. The new chairman has taken hold of his duties with enthusiasm and a strong committee is being organized to assist him in the preparations. The Congress Hotel has been chosen as the official convention headquarters and is offering us splendid facilities for the several sessions of the Congress. This hotel has an unexcelled location, being right in the heart of the city and yet having the advantages of the lake-front, and amidst the attractions of Michigan Boulevard.

This will be the first occasion that the Henry George Foundation has gone toward the West for its annual gathering, and the central location of Chicago is expected to