

Otto K. Dorn and John C. Lincoln Named Trustees of Henry George School; Careers Reviewed

NEW YORK—Otto K. Dorn, former acting director of the Henry George School of Social Science, a retired manufacturer of Cleveland, and John C. Lincoln, industrialist and engineer of Ohio and Arizona, were elected members of the Board of Trustees of the School during January.

The trustees, acting on the advice and counsel of thousands of Georgists throughout the country, meet weekly to formulate policies and aid in devising procedures for the School. Their experience in their careers and in the movement helps to explain the School's phenomenal growth and the cooperation it has won from community leaders throughout the country. Sketches of the new trustees follow:

Otto K. Dorn

Otto K. Dorn, a member of the social-minded group of business leaders in Cleveland who made Tom Johnson's mayoralty administrations there one of the leading traditions of American democracy, was a manufacturer and distributor of shoes and developed a nation-wide chain store organization before his retirement from business.

It was the educational method developed by the late Louis F. Post, noted Georgist leader and assistant Secretary of Labor, which brought him into the movement. He attended a classroom course in "Progress and Poverty" given by Mr. Post in Cleveland in the winter of 1896-7, and has been active in Georgist work ever since.

During his active business career he was an officer and director in several small but flourishing concerns. Because of his business and cultural interests, he travelled extensively throughout North America and knows intimately the leading cities of the country.

He was among the first to rally to the aid of the late Oscar H. Geiger in the foundation of the Henry George School. When the School was left without a director in 1934, he was asked to assume the office of acting director until a per-

manent appointment could be made. He accepted, and during his tenure the principal plans for the national expansion of the School were first developed.

He was permitted to retire from the administratorship only when the heavy burden he had assumed resulted in illness. He took a vacation in Florida, recovered his health and soon was back at his desk at headquarters, carrying out special assignments for the Board of Trustees.

John C. Lincoln

John C. Lincoln, noted electrical engineer and inventor of Ohio and Arizona, has long been interested in education as a social instrument for the maintenance and extension of democracy and has been an active participant in Georgist activities for many years in Ohio as well as in those nation-wide in scope.

He was the nominee for Vice-President of the United States of the Single Tax party, which has since disbanded, in 1924. He encouraged the School to establish the correspondence division, to reach adult students outside the scope of the classroom work and to establish extensions of the School in those areas where veteran Georgists or School graduates are not available.

Because of his keen interest in educational matters, he makes frequent trips to New York to consult with the officers of the Henry George School of Social Science on school policies and methods of promoting the work of the institution.

Besides scientific training, broad social vision and deep human sympathy, the attributes of the veteran Georgist, he brings to the School's administration successful business experience as chairman of the board of the Lincoln Electric Co. He is a graduate of Ohio State University.

Sketches of the other trustees will appear serially in subsequent issues of this journal.