

against, it have come from those individuals and organizations who see that their individual profits are in danger. Continuing he said:

Any fight of this kind must have a focal point. Any great contest always centers around a few men and organizations. The basic principle of this fight of yours and mine is that it is better to help the small man make a living than to help the big man make a profit; to indorse the idea that the natural resources do not belong to a few rich men, mainly in Wall Street, but that they belong to the people. I believe the contest between States rights, and Federal, so prominently before this Congress, never would have arisen if the national government had not undertaken to control some of the special interests, which believed they could control everything by taking refuge behind the States. My view is this: There are certain things in which the States are obviously incapable of asserting as useful power, as useful control, as is the national government. In those the national government should control. There are many places in which the protection of the rights of the people belongs to the States and in these the State should have full sway. In both cases I deprecate all efforts to raise this quarrel, because in the muddy water there is a refuge for the man who wants to escape all control.

Francis J. Heney, who followed, endorsed all that Mr. Pinchot had said relative to State control and in addition proposed that all land laws, both State and national, be abolished and new ones be substituted.

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The Anti-Imperialist League Honors George L. Paddock.

At a stated meeting of the Executive Committee of the Anti-Imperialist League (p. 900) held on the 22nd, the following vote was passed, to be entered on the records of the Committee, to be communicated to the family of Colonel George L. Paddock of Chicago (p. 869), and to be published in the usual manner:

Mr. George Leban Paddock, a good, faithful and great-hearted man, was one of that noble Chicago group including Jane Addams, Edwin Burritt Smith, William Gardner Hale, Henry B. Fuller, Hermann Von Holst, Albert H. Tolman, Lockwood Honore, Henry Wade Rogers and their associates who caused at first a protest from the heart of America to be heard against Imperialism and the policy of the national administration in the Philippines,—claiming that the Filipinos of right ought to be free and independent. Mr. Paddock had long been a vice president of the Anti-Imperialist League. His loss will be keenly felt by his associates, and the cause which the League represents will greatly miss his loyal and zealous support.

MOORFIELD STOREY, ERVING WINSLOW.
President. Secretary.

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British Conference on Land Values Taxation.

A general conference of British advocates of the taxation of land values was held at Manchester,

England, on the 30th of September and the 1st and 2d of October (p. 879), under a call from the United Committee for the Taxation of Land Values, which is signed by the secretaries, Crompton L. Davies and John Paul. No cable reports of the conference have reached us, but the official program was as follows:

Friday, 30th September.

7:30 p. m., Town Hall, Albert Square, Manchester: Discussion—"Land Valuation and the Finance Act in relation to Local and Imperial Taxation" with special reference to the memorial on land and taxation reform recently presented to the Government by 143 members of Parliament. To be introduced by the Lord Advocate (the Right Hon. Mr. Alexander Ure, K.C., M.P.), and a resolution bearing on the question to be submitted. Chairman: Mr. L. W. Zimmerman, President of the Manchester League for the Taxation of Land Values.

Saturday, 1st October.

10 a. m., Grand Hotel, Aytoun Street: Private meeting of members of the Conference. Business Discussion. Chairman, Councillor Chas. H. Smithson, of Halifax.

2:30 p. m., Memorial Hall, Albert Square: Discussion—"The Relationship of Land Values Taxation to Free Trade, Housing, and Unemployment," to be introduced by Mr. Fredk. Verinder, a resolution bearing on the question to be submitted. Chairman: Mr. L. W. Zimmerman.

6:30 p. m., Grand Hotel, Aytoun Street: Henry George commemoration dinner, with Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Fels as the guests of the evening. Chairman, Dr. Percy McDougall, Hon. Treasurer Manchester League for the Taxation of Land Values.

Sunday, 2nd October.

11 a. m., Grand Hotel, Aytoun Street: Discussion—"The Moral Aspect of the Movement for the Taxation of Land Values," to be introduced by Mr. John Paul. Chairman: Lewis H. Berens.

3 p. m., Alexandra Park. Open-air demonstration under the auspices of the Manchester League for the Taxation of Land Values, to be addressed by Mr. Francis Neilson, M.P., and others. Chairman: Mr. John Bagot.

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Police Brutality in Berlin.

Associated Press dispatches of the 28th from Berlin describe a police crusade against strikers, which appears to have been ordered by authority and conducted with a degree of brutality in the full spirit of the order. According to the dispatches the Police Commissioner ordered the police to "suppress disturbances without mercy," and—

the police followed out their instructions to the letter. They rode down and sabred mercilessly wherever a small group of people gathered in the district of Moabit. For two days this district has been the scene of riots, the like of which have not been witnessed in Berlin for many a day. Hundreds