

The enemy had all the newspapers and had the endorsement of the Commerce Club (who voted to put city taxes back on commerce and off vacant lots which do not contribute a cent toward the maintenance of the club). They circulated about all the lies in the calendar to get the people scared.

Now we can at the next election win with hands down. You see it takes a certain length of time to get people thinking about these things.

I cannot speak too highly about the work Mr. White did here. He managed the campaign with consummate skill. He is a wonder. Personally, I feel not at all discouraged because the next time the voters will understand it better. And we made such a clean fight and our whole bunch are in the best shape we ever were, although it is certainly lamentable the poor support we have received from many of those who should have stood for us. We received no support either financially or morally, but we have gained ground here tremendously—EDWIN B. HAVER.

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#### JAMES F. MORTON, JR.

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Our old friend, James F. Morton, Jr., who will tour New York State in the interests of the New York State Single Tax League, though comparatively a young man, has had a distinguished career.

He is a lawyer, a Harvard graduate with the degree of A. M. He is a member of the Phi Beta Kappa. To him is due the credit of inaugurating intercollegiate debates, in the face of much opposition.

Mr. Morton is ex-president of the National Amateur Press Association, New York Councillor of the Esperanto Association of North America, in the use of which language he is an expert, president of the Cosmopolitan Society of America, American representative Les Amis de Paris; he is also a member of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

Mr. Morton has visited Europe as an American delegate to important International congresses. He is acquainted with several European languages.

Mr. Morton has written poems, magazine articles and a number of widely circulated pamphlets, among which are: "The Philosophy of the Single Tax." "Better than Socialism," etc., etc. His "Curse of Race Prejudice" is a scholarly explanation from every angle, of all the current phenomena of racial animosities, and is an index of Mr. Morton's broad-minded sympathies, wide attainments and powers of analysis. Mr. Morton is a fluent speaker and debater of long experience. Congratulations are extended to the League in having secured Mr. Morton's services, and to Mr. Morton in having found so congenial a sphere for his exceptional attainments.

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#### WASHINGTON ACTIVITIES

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Arthur P. Davis, director of the U. S. Reclamation Service, whose portrait adorns the frontispiece of this magazine, was one of those who argued for the Single Tax and answered questions before the joint committee on District taxation.

Mr. W. I. Swanton exhibited his charts and advocated that annual assessments be made instead of triennial assessments.

The Committee on Fiscal Relations of the Tax Reform Association of the District of Columbia, consisting of Messrs. Mackenzie, Lindas, Davis, Dakin, Keeley Adams, Warren and Mrs. Jennie L. Munroe, were selected to present the Association's brief to the joint Congressional Committee at the hearings which took place in October on Washington's system of taxation. It has been printed and bound in pamphlet form for circulation. It attacks the half and half plan, and shows the benefits of untaxing buildings and machinery.

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#### THE PHILADELPHIA CONTEST

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F. W. Rous, secretary of the Single Tax Party of Philadelphia, writes the REVIEW regarding the result of the campaign in that city:—

"Regardless of the number of votes received, there is one thing we did do, and