

Incidentally, as Mr. Tuttle points out, the junker class in Germany, the main instigators of the war, would be prevented from enriching themselves again at the expense of industrial Germany, upon whose labor the payment of the debt must finally rest. May we expect from the collective wisdom of democracy gathered at the Peace Conference the adoption of this equitable and rational formula? Our confidence might be greater had a single one of the Allied nations adopted in its own fiscal system the "healthy principle" advanced by Germany's ex-Secretary of State for Colonies.

After their great victory, will the Allies fail to see and gather this honey of wisdom in the dead lion?

## Untried Methods of Propaganda

**M**UCH has been tried by Single Taxers in the way of propaganda methods but much also has been omitted. Here are some of the things omitted:

In the first place no serious attempt has been made to line up the great and small industrial, trade and professional Associations in the country. Not a single one of these Associations has yet been identified with Single Tax work.

In the second place no serious attempt has been made to enlist the press of the country in the reform.

In the third place the bookstores have been neglected . . . . . those great feeding grounds of the intellectuals.

In the fourth place the educational institutions as a whole have been largely neglected, where they have not been antagonized.

In the fifth place no attempt even has been made to have the technical administrative bases of the reform properly worked out with regard to the special constitutional and fiscal conditions prevailing in this country. The same may be said as to the statistical bases of the reform, the incidence of taxation, the economic and other effects to be anticipated from the reform, etc.

In the sixth place, no organization of men of weight in the community has been attempted. The few of this category who have taken an interest in the movement have been content to delegate the direction to paid employees. No great work was ever accomplished under such circumstances.

If the present leaders of the movement cannot place their personal influence, their social, commercial, industrial, political prestige in the scales to create a powerful grouping of organized opinion in favor of this great reform, then an opportunity unique in history will have been frittered away. The reward of the man who buried his one talent will be theirs.

In Stevenage, England, where only one-fourth of area is used, 24 families applied to rent one cottage. Owner decided tenant by having them throw dice.

AMONG incidents of the revolution in Germany is the renunciation by the Grand Duke of Saxe-Weimar and his family of right of exemption from taxation.

## Why Is A Party?

**W**E think we know what is the matter with our friends of the new National Party. They say: "We are convinced of the necessity of creating an honest political party." Now the Democratic and Republican parties are honest enough, or at all events are as honest as the persons that compose them. And the new National Party would be no more honest than the people who would compose it, and these would be made up of the same people who compose other parties—average American citizens.

Why should we go to all this trouble merely for the sake of having a new party? Such an effort is of a piece with the man who made two holes for his dog kennel, one to let out the big dog, and another small hole for the smaller dogs.

The great crying need of the times is not for a new party merely for the sake of having another one. If a new party is needed at all it is because there is a new and important issue which the old parties will not make their own. But our friends of the National Party lay the chief stress on the need of a new party as if there were some virtue in the word *new*, and as if the new party would not contain within it all the objections that can be urged against the old parties.

And this National Party, gathering together all the issues that it finds lying around loose, seeks to form an impossible coalition. And all to one purpose—a new political party. Is it not all inexpressibly childish? Parties are instruments merely, not something desirable in themselves.

"I AM a Single Taxer, and am firmly of the opinion that any propaganda short of a full preachment of its gospel is futile, leads away from the Single Tax, and makes its final achievement more difficult." The late J. J. PASTORIZA.

**T**HERE is one aspect of the pursuit of money that is almost wholly ignored. Able and energetic men desire to succeed in any state of society. They can best succeed in the state of society that prevails today by the accumulation of riches. Such accumulation marks success, not because men recognize any value in possession, but because society is so constituted that it sees in great riches the qualities that inure to success. It is not so much that men love wealth as that they love success.

It is conceivable that given a different state of society men will grow indifferent to mere accumulation and will value more highly the eminence secured by faculties quite apart from the faculty of money-getting.

**V**AST quantities of good farming land, near the best markets in the world, are not cultivated. In New England there are 30 million acres of unused land that might be growing crops. There are 35 million acres in the Middle States that might be farmed, but which are lying idle. In the Pacific Coast States there are 180 million acres of unused but usable land. In all, 500 million acres, or thereabouts, are lying idle, to say nothing of that which is inadequately farmed.—WARREN G. HARDING, U. S. Senator from Ohio.