

before the principles so clearly and courageously set forth by this leader of men will be everywhere accepted.

And now! After forty years what are conditions today? There is not the slightest excuse for ignoring the fact that so far as having any influence on public policies is concerned, there is no advance over 1886 in understanding, or will to apply, the truths then proclaimed by Henry George and his disciples. Many of the latter became estranged or discouraged: so-called "labor leaders" returned to their former political parties; even among those entitled to be termed "Single Taxers" because they were doing something to bring about the adoption of the Single Tax there arose grave differences of opinion concerning policies. Looking backward over the political movements with which many of those active in the 1886 campaign subsequently allied themselves, is only to recall a long history of futility and failure. Grover Cleveland, W. J. Bryan, W. R. Hearst, Tom Watson, Robert M. La Follette, were some of those supported in the vain expectation that in some way the Single Tax cause would be advanced. Even William H. Taft, President of the United States, found Single Tax supporters for his corrupt and dishonorable scheme for buying newspaper support for his discredited administration by putting print paper on the free list.

Mistakes? Yes, many of them. As was to have been expected, with a fallible and imperfect humanity. But the truths affirmed forty years ago are still eternally true, and more urgently needed for the welfare of mankind. Will another forty years see greater advancement toward their recognition?

Delightful Sarcasm

EVERY now and then, you know, after a lifetime of right thinking, even a professor yearns to say what he thinks instead of what he ought to think; and, with all the advantages of his environment to withhold him from a course so unbecoming, sometimes he does it. Every now and then those in whom mental curiosity is active make a discovery and announce it, in spite of consequences; or they become interested in a conjecture and desire to follow it up. Every now and then they forget where they are, and liberate ideas for adults, instead of confining themselves to what is entirely safe and proper for young people who are being instructed to avoid all the rash experiments of their parents. Every now and then the experience and ratiocination of professors lead them to conclusions that are at variance with the well-known wisdom of the ages, which, in the main, they are employed to transmit.—STUART P. SHERMAN in *Scribner's*.

If God made the earth to be private property of the few and not the heritage of all, then He is the Father of the few and the step-father of the rest.—REV. FATHER MCGLYNN.

Henry George Foundation Sponsors Forward Movement

THE Henry George Foundation of America, a new national Single Tax organization, has been born during the past month and will be formally launched at the Henry George Congress to be held in Philadelphia on September 2nd. It has grown out of the interest and activities of Single Tax leaders in Pittsburgh and Philadelphia, who have joined the prominent figures in the national movement for the purpose of establishing a strong organization of national scope.

The foundation is being incorporated under the laws of Pennsylvania. The purpose of the Foundation is to popularize the Single Tax idea, or as set forth in the language of the charter, for the stimulation of interest in the study of the science of political economy and, particularly, for the promulgation and application of the principles of the Georgean school of political economy, the economic philosophy of Henry George as presented to the world in "Progress and Poverty" and his other works.

The Board of Trustees of the Foundation includes Warren Worth Bailey, Paul de Moll, Charles R. Eckert, George E. Evans, Frederic C. Howe, Charles H. Ingersoll, J. C. Lincoln, George P. Loomis, John Mellor, Joseph Dana Miller, B. B. McGinnis, Hugo W. Noren, William E. Schoyer, Cornelius D. Scully, George J. Shaffer, Charles F. Shandrew, Carl D. Smith, Ralph E. Smith, Frank Stephens, George W. Wakefield and Percy R. Williams. George E. Evans has been chosen as President, Paul de Moll, Vice-President, William E. Schoyer, Treasurer, and Percy R. Williams, Secretary.

The National Advisory Commission, which is being formed, will include Louis F. Post, Will Atkinson, Henry P. Boynton, Benjamin W. Burger, George H. Duncan, H. B. Emigh, Fenton Lawson, Fay Lewis, Francis W. Maguire, Frederick H. Monroe, Jackson H. Ralston, Vernon J. Rose, Robert D. Towne, W. S. U'Ren, Peter Witt, Wm. A. Black, S. A. Stockwell, and a number of others prominent and active in the Single Tax movement. Henry W. Olney, of Washington, D. C., may be added to the National Advisory Commission.

The goal set by the leaders of the Foundation is a million dollar endowment fund. While this high ambition may not be realized in the immediate future, confidence is felt that a very substantial endowment will be made available for the broad educational campaign that is soon to be undertaken.

There has long been a feeling that the old home on Tenth Street in Philadelphia, where Henry George was born on September 2d, 1839, and which fortunately is still standing, should be preserved and made an historic shrine, which may be visited in the years to come by the thousands of his devoted disciples who shall visit Philadelphia. Believing

that the Single Taxers of America are heartily in accord with this sentiment, the Henry George Foundation is planning to acquire the birthplace property, restore it to its approximate original condition, and erect a fitting bronze tablet to mark it as the birthplace of the great prophet of a better and brighter social order that is to come when freedom shall have been attained and involuntary poverty abolished. It is hoped to assemble in the old George home many of the most interesting mementoes of his life work. Mrs. Anna George de Mille, daughter of Henry George, has expressed a keen interest in the project and is being consulted in the plans for the restoration of the old home, which, while happily preserved from destruction, has been somewhat neglected, but which it is hoped will soon be added to Philadelphia's other notable places of historic interest and sacred memory.

Henry George Congress To Be Held At Philadelphia Sesqui-Centennial

A FITTING tribute is to be paid to the memory of Henry George, founder of the Single Tax movement, on the occasion of the celebration of the eighty-seventh anniversary of his birth and an invitation is being extended to the Single-Taxers of America to come to Philadelphia to participate in the Henry George Congress, which is being arranged both as a memorial celebration and as an inspiration for an awakening of renewed interest in the national movement to advance the Georgan economic philosophy.

The Sesqui-Centennial International Exposition will be in complete operation in September and will be attracting many thousands of people to Philadelphia. The Exposition authorities have offered to cooperate in giving a cordial welcome to the delegates to the Henry George Congress who will assemble from various sections of the country to visit the city which gave birth to the philosopher who has come to be recognized as one of the world's truly great men.

The Benjamin Franklin Hotel has been selected as the convention headquarters, where the banquet, luncheons and conferences will be held.

There is expected to be a large representation from those sections convenient to Philadelphia, such as New York, New Jersey, Eastern Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland and the District of Columbia. Special railroad rates to Philadelphia now prevailing will considerably reduce the traveling expenses of those who will come from more distant points.

The Congress will be held under the auspices of the newly-organized Henry George Foundation of America. A three day programme is being arranged beginning with Thursday, September 2, the birthday of Henry George, and closing

on Saturday, September 4th. There will be public meetings at the Exposition and conferences and dinners at the headquarters hotel. While the programme is at present in tentative form, among those who have been invited to address the Congress are Hon. W. N. Ferris, United States Senator from Michigan, Hon. Gifford Pinchot, Governor of Pennsylvania, Fiske Warren, of Harvard, Mass., former Congressman Warren Worth Bailey, of Johnstown, Joseph Dana Miller, editor of *LAND AND FREEDOM*, Charles O'Connor Hennessy, Honorary President of the recent International Single Tax Conference at Copenhagen, Will Atkinson, of Capon Springs, W. Va., John J. White, of Chicago, Ill., Frank Stephens, of Arden, Delaware, Hon. Louis F. Post, former Assistant Secretary of Labor, Grace Isabel Colbron, of New York, J. H. Barry and Dr. W. G. Eggleston, of San Francisco, Mrs. Mary Fels, of New York, Dr. Walter Mendelson, of Philadelphia, Prof. Earl Barnes of Philadelphia, Charles H. Ingersoll, of Newark, N. J., J. C. Lincoln, Henry P. Boynton, of Cleveland, Bolton Smith, of Memphis, Tenn., Bolton Hall, Hamlin Garland, Benjamin W. Burger, Frederick C. Leubuscher and Edwin Markham, of New York City, Prof. Lewis Jerome Johnson, of Cambridge, Mass., George White, of Long Branch, N. J., Harry H. Willock and George E. Evans, of Pittsburgh.

United States Senator Woodbridge N. Ferris, of Michigan, writes that he would be more than delighted to be present at the Henry George Memorial Celebration, and that while his plans for September were made long ago, he will make an effort to be there if possible. He says in closing "I am still interested in the Single Tax movement."

The Philadelphia committee on arrangements, headed by Attorney Paul de Moll, includes a number of active Single Taxers who are planning to give a cordial reception to the delegates and are anticipating a large attendance for this notable occasion. Special memorial exercises will be held at the birthplace of Henry George.

In addition to the opportunity that will be afforded to fraternize with the loyal friends of the cause from all parts of the country and to give public recognition of the eminent service rendered to humanity by Henry George, delegates will have the inducement to come to Philadelphia to see one of the world's great expositions. They will also have an opportunity to visit one of the noted Single Tax enclaves, beautiful Arden, situated in Delaware within easy access of Philadelphia, and the convention programme includes an outing-trip to Arden on Saturday, September 4th. Doubtless, a great many will include the Philadelphia celebration in their summer vacation plans en route to and from seashore resorts, while others, conveniently located in the East, can readily take two or three days from business to meet old friends and renew valued associations.

A group of Single Taxers are planning to go to the Sconset Moors owned by Frederic C. Howe on Nantucket Island, Mass., for a few weeks outing on the sea and the moors and to attend the School of Opinion. This is an informal