

NEWS of the Crusade for Economic Enlightenment

Toledo U. Sees the Light

NEW YORK—Prof. W. Lou Tandy, Economics Dept., University of Toledo, writes:

"I have just been able to arrange to teach my classes George's 'Progress and Poverty' this semester, using your materials. It will be necessary to use the shorter guide which covers the material in six lessons."

Professor Tandy at the same time ordered 38 copies of "Progress and Poverty," 66 copies of Students' Guides for studying Economic Rent, and various pamphlets for use among the students.

Public Speaking Classes

NEW YORK—The initial session of the spring and summer term of the C. O. Steele Public Speaking Course was held May 12. Commencement exercises for the winter term, which began in late January, took place in the school auditorium on the evening of April 21, with some two hundred persons attending. At the class dinner, held earlier, the judges awarded William Horkins first honors in the speaking contest. Second place went to Frieda Wehnes.

Chicago Meets Its Budget

CHICAGO—On February 25, the Chicago trustees of the Henry George School of Social Science met and decided that the time was ripe for a vast expansion of the classwork in the Chicago area. The first step in their expansion program called for a 67½% increase in the budget—from \$8,000 spent in 1942 to \$13,400 for 1943.

Two months later, on April 26, the report of Treasurer Max M. Korshak, made at the annual banquet of the School, revealed that \$13,592 had been subscribed or otherwise provided for by graduates and friends of the School who have as much confidence in the future as have the trustees.

Now Chicago is rolling up its sleeves for the job of producing 1,000 graduates in the new school year starting October 1. Four months of careful preparation of lists, advertising material, and classroom helps will go into the campaign before the printed announcements are released following a mass meeting of class sponsors on the 104th anniversary of the birth of Henry George, September 2.

Up to that date, class sponsoring groups will be mapping out their respective neighborhood campaigns involving the mailing of announcements, placing of posters, securing of newspaper publicity and radio flashes, as well as the personal interviewing of prospective students. Old line teachers and teachers-elect alike will undergo a period of intensive review and training with the aim of offering the people of Chicagoland a heretofore unparalleled educational opportunity in the

School's chosen field of fundamental economics and social philosophy.

Local contributions of \$7,502 already subscribed for the next year by 354 graduates and friends are more than double those of 1942 which were \$3,634. Winter term graduates—111 of them—are making up \$527 of this total, while 243 older graduates and other friends are in for \$4,380. Two anonymous friends of the School, matching 70% of all funds not raised by themselves personally, are down for \$2,595.

The support of the New York headquarters will come to approximately \$4,500. Subscriptions anticipated from spring and fall graduates are \$1,000 while the surplus on book sales is expected to reach \$500.

Quashtralia

NEW YORK—Following are excerpts from a recent letter from Captain William H. Quasha, former teacher in the Henry George School and legal counsel for THE FREEMAN:

"It was swell to hear all the good news about the school. . . I received the February FREEMAN and was grieved to learn of the passing of Gus Wilson. I always felt that he was one of my best contributions to the school. . . I have written to Margaret Bateman asking that twenty additional copies of THE FREEMAN be sent to Mr. Dowe, and the bill sent to my wife; such will be my contribution. . . I like the flavor of THE FREEMAN and I particularly enjoyed Henry Ware Allen's article in the February issue. . .

"Yesterday (April 4) was my first anniversary in Australia. I am kept pretty busy over here. We are on a seven day schedule and I haven't had a day off in over two months. However, we are all getting a big kick out of this job and would like to finish it up as promptly as possible so that we can get back to our normal occupations. My particular job is extremely interesting and I am sure that the experience is one of the most valuable that I could get."

Worked in Reverse

NEWARK—The current issue of "Your School," sprightly bulletin of the New Jersey Extension of the Henry George School of Social Science, carries the following amusing episode:

"One of our Jersey instructors has been leading a class in a New York cafe during the noon hour every week. Recently he gave the proprietor a copy of 'Economics Simplified.' It must have had the opposite effect to that intended because the proprietor went out and bought a forty acre farm down in Connecticut."

The same issue of "Your School" quotes Irving Stone's biography, "Clarence Darrow for the Defense," as saying that Dar-

row got his first real start in Chicago the night he made a speech on a program for the Henry George Club.

Tell 'Em They're Missed

NEW YORK—According to Mrs. Teresa Witort, wife of Lieutenant William Witort, USN, and former secretary, as Miss Teresa McCarthy, of the Henry George School of Social Science, the men in the armed forces are hungry for letters from the folks at home. Mrs. Witort knows whereof she speaks. At Christmas time she sent short letters and Holiday cards to many of the boys in the service whom she used to know at the school. She reports that the response was nothing less than amazing. Some of those receiving such greetings answered in letters of four or five pages, and all without exception expressed their warm appreciation and their hope that more letters would be forthcoming.

Mrs. Witort offers the excellent suggestion that students, teachers and other friends of service men begin the practise of writing them cheery, informative and interesting letters at frequent intervals.

Letters should be sent in care of the Henry George School, 30 East 29th St., New York, whence they will be forwarded to correct present addresses. A partial list of men in various branches of the service whose present location is on file with the school follows:

Lieut. Mandel Adler
Pvt. F. M. Adrian
Pvt. Franklin R. Auchy
Pvt. Benoit L. Banville
Howard Clarence Boyd
Pvt. Richard Brennan
Pvt. Robert Clancy
Leo Cohen
Pvt. Frank Di Tore
Pvt. Alex Duris
Lieut. Albert M. Gants
Lieut. Ely Goldenberg
Gaston Haxo
Sgt. Geo. W. Hansen
Pvt. William Hansen
David Hyder
Pvt. Frank Kalmbach
Fred Karn
Pvt. Karl Loeb
Capt. R. J. Manfrini
Pvt. A. C. Matteson
Lieut. Walter Maybaum
Lieut. S. A. Mayers
Paul E. Mueller
Pvt. R. E. Packer
Capt. William Quasha
Lieut. Arnold Rubin
Corp. Warren E. Ryan
Pvt. Jacob Schwartzman
Capt. Henry George Simmonite
Sgt. Richard Sommer
Lewis Taylor
Lieut. Paul Weissman
Charles Winter
Pvt. Daniel Wollman
Pvt. Karl Zatz

City-Wide

CHICAGO—Spring term classes in fundamental economics are being held in the Chicago area as follows:

CITY

Suite 1304, 111 W. Jackson Blvd.: Monday, 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.; Friday, 6:30 p.m.; Saturday, 2:00 p.m.
 Lincoln-Belmont Y.M.C.A., 3333 N. Marshfield Ave., Thursday, 7:30 p.m.
 People's Church, 941 W. Lawrence, Thursday, 8:00 p.m.
 Church of the Atonement, 5749 N. Kenmore, Tuesday, 7:30 p.m.
 Church of the Advent, 2610 N. Francisco, Tuesday, 7:30 p.m.
 Jefferson Park Congregational Church, 5318 W. Giddings, Wednesday, 8:00 p.m.
 Austin: Pigott Residence, 5959 W. Midway Park, 1st Apt., Tuesday, 7:30 p.m.
 Englewood Y.M.C.A., 6545 S. Union, Wednesday, 7:30 p.m.
 Chicago Lawn Library, 6234 S. Kedzie, Monday, 7:00 p.m.
 Bryn Mawr Community Church, 7000 S. Jeffery, Thursday, 7:30 p.m.
 Temple Isaiah Israel, 5035 S. Greenwood Ave., Thursday, 7:30 p.m.
 Blackstone Library, 4900 S. Lake Park, Wednesday, 7:00 p.m.
 Church of the Redeemer, 56th and Blackstone, Friday, 7:30 p.m.
 Woodlawn A.M.E. Church, 65th and Evans, Tuesday, 7:30 p.m.
 Parkway Community Center, 5120 South Parkway, Thursday, 7:30 p.m.
 Hall Library, 4801 S. Michigan, Tuesday, 7:00 p.m.
 Lincoln Centre, 700 E. Oakwood, Thursday, 7:30 p.m.

SUBURBAN

Berwyn: Office of Atty. Jas. J. Shepro, Berwyn State Bank Bldg., 6804 Windsor, Monday, 7:30 p.m.
 Des Plaines Municipal Building, Friday, 7:30 p.m.
 Elmhurst College—Old Hall, Tuesday, 7:30 p.m.
 Evanston Library, 1703 Orrington, Friday, 7:30 p.m.
 Evanston: Nichols School, 800 Greenleaf, Tuesday, 7:30 p.m.
 Evanston: Emerson St. Y.M.C.A., 1014 Emerson St., Thursday, 7:30 p.m.
 Glenview Civic Building, West Room, Monday, 7:30 p.m.
 Hinsdale Community House, Thursday, 7:30 p.m.
 La Grange: Repsold's Store, 306 W. Burlington St., Tuesday, 7:30 p.m.
 Maywood Library, 121 S. 5th, Tuesday, 7:00 p.m.
 Oak Park: Dole Library, 255 Augusta, Friday, 7:00 p.m.
 Park Ridge: Mary Wilson House, Prospect and Crescent, Tuesday, 7:30 p.m.
 Wilmette Baptist Church, 1020 Forest, Monday, 7:30 p.m.
 Winnetka Community House, 620 Lincoln, Tuesday, 7:30 p.m.

All Classes Meet Once A Week

Toronto Celebration— Dinner, Election, Speeches

TORONTO—Margaret E. Bateman, Director of the Henry George School of Social Science in New York, and Toronto City Controller Duncan were the chief speakers at the annual dinner meeting of the Henry George Society of Toronto which was held the evening of April 28. Mr. Duncan, who spoke on housing problems in Toronto, was introduced by President Hogg of the Henry George Society. Miss Bateman's discourse dealt with post war problems; she was presented to the audience of some 75 persons by Miss Dorothy Coate, Vice President of the Society. A sizable group of Georgists from Hamilton attended.

The election of officers for the ensuing year resulted as follows:

President, Mr. Howard Hogg; *Vice-President*, Miss Dorothy Coate; *Secretary-Treasurer*, Mr. Ernest Farmer.

Executive Committee: Mrs. Howard Hogg, Mrs. Wear, Miss Laura Macdonald, Mr. David Farmer, Mr. J. McBride, Mr. Allen Cullingworth, Miss Evelyn Forbes.

Advisory Committee: Dr. S. T. Floyd, Mr. Arthur B. Farmer, Mrs. Florence Macdonald, Mr. J. A. Martin, Mr. Alan C. Thompson, Mrs. M. T. Ollerhead, Mr. L. B. Walling, Mr. W. R. Williams.

The Ladies, Bless 'Em

CHICAGO, ILL.—Sixty members of the Henry George Woman's Club attended the club's fourth Birthday Dinner at the Normandy Restaurant, Saturday, April 10. Mrs. Gustave Carus, the speaker of the evening, chose as her subject "The Brotherhood of Man." Clyde Bassler was the soloist. Mrs. Albert Enders is President of the Club.

This indefatigable group of women has established an enviable four-year record of service in the work of the school. Affiliated with the 9th District Illinois Federation of Women's Clubs, they are embellishing the fame of Henry George through their recipes contributed to the Federation's *Victory Cook Book*.

Plans are under way for the annual Smorgasbord dinner to be held at the School headquarters in June.

Faculty Meeting

NEW YORK—"The Beveridge Plan" was the topic of discussion at the April 29th meeting of the faculty of the Henry George School. Frieda Wehnes and George Bringmann were leading speakers and Josephine Billington presided. All three are advanced students in the C. O. Steele Public Speaking Course.

It's Very Nice Work If You Can Get It

NEW YORK—Lancaster M. Greene is conducting a class in International Trade at the Girls Service Club, Gramercy Park. The attending group is made up of nurses, recreation directors, designers, dietitians and portrait painters.

Commencement Dinner a Success

NEWARK—Both in the number of persons attending—considering traveling difficulties these days—and in the enthusiasm displayed, the spring term graduation dinner of the New Jersey Henry George School, held at the Simon Davis Restaurant, on the evening of May 7, was one of the most successful affairs of its kind yet staged by the live-wire organization of Jersey Georgists. Robert Tideman was chairman of the evening; principal speakers were George Rusby, Trustee of the Jersey school and co-author of "Economics Simplified," and Margaret E. Bateman, Director of the Henry George School in New York. Several student speakers gave brief talks.

The dinner committee was headed by Mrs. Hugh Duncan of Hackensack, assisted by Mrs. C. R. Clark of Montclair and Mrs. Virginia Harvery of Arlington.

The ladies of the committee should take a bow; they very definitely earned it.

Something New Has Been Added

CHICAGO—The annual banquet of the Henry George School of Social Science on April 26 was a welcoming party, though not all the 300 guests knew it, for the new registrar of the Chicago Extension. Arriving from New York on Sunday, April 25, Mrs. A. C. Matteson, Jr., got in ample time to hear Mr. Neilson and Dr. Hutchins the next evening and to put in a week as a volunteer at headquarters, 111 West Jackson Boulevard, before taking up her duties officially on May 3.

Mrs. Matteson—or, Jessie, as her friends in New York and New Jersey know her—and her husband, Pvt. Matteson at Ft. Bragg, N.C., took the course in *Progress and Poverty* at the City Club in New York in 1937 under William Quasha. Jessie and Archie went on with *Protection or Free Trade* under Raymond V. McNally at the 79th street headquarters, following with *Science of Political Economy* and the teachers training course under Frank Chodorov.

Mrs. Matteson served as a volunteer at the new headquarters of the School on 29th street from 1938 to 1941, and as registrar of the School from March, 1941 to April, 1942. She was an active volunteer secretary and instructor in the New Jersey extension from 1940, when she and Mr. Matteson made their home in Westwood, until Archie went into the army last January. Both were associate editors of *THE FREEMAN* from August, 1939, through December, 1940.

Mrs. Matteson's letters-to-the-editor in the metropolitan papers have attracted wide attention and will be represented in *We, the People, the Yearbook of Public Opinion*, soon to be published.

As registrar of the Chicago extension, Mrs. Matteson takes the place of Mrs. Laura B. Whipple who resigned to take a place in private industry.