

The Bewildered Editor

Criticism—sometimes quite pronounced—has been levied at **The Freeman** on two scores:

First, we have been accused of being too sophisticated in our interpretations and our articles—"pulling punches" is the phrase used.

Second, we have been accused of being too critical of the status quo and its advocates, and entirely too forceful in our expressions—"soap-boxing" is the characterization.

We admit being just human. Therefore, it is quite possible that prejudices have influenced both our phraseology and our point of view. Perhaps a purely objective mathematical approach—let us say in the un-moral vein of our professors of economics—may please some of our readers, or mere emotionalism may appeal to others. In order to please everybody—an obvious impossibility—we should first de-humanize ourselves, and, second, deviate from our policy.

And what is the policy of **The Freeman**? To test current events and trends in the light of Georgist philosophy, so that its readers may understand the realism of this philosophy—and also to acquaint those interested with news of the Georgist movement. And, as for the philosophy, it must be treated in its totality—not merely as an economic science, not only as a fiscal reform, nor yet as a social ideal, but in all its phases.

At least, that's what we are trying to do. We'd like to have, from our readers, suggestions on how we can better carry out this policy.