

## A common-sense remedy

To return to the principle presented in an earlier chapter, it is hoped that the reader will now fully recognize these unassailable truths:

*The private collection of land rental, a publicly created revenue, is wrong.*

*The public confiscation of privately earned income is wrong.*

Therefore, our remedy is summed up in these principles:

*Publicly collect the true public revenue.*

*Leave privately earned income in the earner's hands.*

When we learn this and adopt it for ourselves we will

be fitted to lead the world to a prosperous peace, but so long as we dignify, protect, and nurture an element in our economics which is *dead wrong*, we can dabble with our taxes, we can putter with our taxes, but we will never really get ahead. Ahead is where we should be, ahead in world comforts, ahead in business volume, and ahead in ideology as well.

Can it be that this principle (and its practice) is so repugnant to thinking Americans that they will continue to bring on their own destruction through acquiescence to the seizure of their rightful earnings rather than insist on at least a competent examination of the principle and practice of land-rental taxation?

Does the fact that this principle, put to work, lowers living and business operating costs and is in no way regressive convey no hint that, as a procedure, it is sane?

Is it possible that a dignified, fraud-proof, easily estimated, gradually enlarging, even-flowing public revenue system which is directly anti-inflationary because it has no means of raising the cost of living—is it possible that such a system holds no interest for the American people?

Does the ending of the intolerable hydra-headed and growing burden of reports that we must make on our journey toward complete state control make no appeal to common sense?