The leading editorial in the October issue is really the payoff in a series that rank The Freeman with the Daily Worker, the Call, or Social Justice. It would seem that these papers and their editors assume no other allegiance to America than an irresponsible freedom to spread their Messages.

It is in times of strain and difficulty that friendships are tried and proven. We should be recognized now as being among the truest lovers of Americanism in the land. Our opinions and advice should be respectfully asked and listened to, and this means that our opinions and advice should be given respectfully.

The fact is, however, that our Freeman takes its place with the lunatic and un-American fringe of papers and adds to their sneers and snarls that this is "an imperialist war."

Imagine what will be the attitude of the rest of the country toward Georgism at the end of this war. If we lose the war, the Fascists who will surely be in control will stamp us out at once. If we win the war, Georgists will not have earned the right to sit at the peace table to take part in the negotiations. In the meantime, as the war pressure mounts, we will be looked at as Bundists or Fronters. Our classes will fall off, and we will be debarred from the schools and libraries, where we now hold our classes.

The Land party in England is devoting all its energies to the immediate task at hand, namely to win the war. At the peace tables after the war, they will be listened to with respect. The collectivism to which the British people are submitting will not be permanent. Neither they nor the American people can be collectivized at this late date. I am not worrying about England, or that English Georgism is dead. I am only hoping that the complete detachment of The Freeman from the social problems facing us doesn't signify that American Georgism is dead.

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