

WE REGRET to report the death on October 4 of Frank McEachran, philosopher and teacher. He was perhaps best known to our readers as the author of Freedom the Only End* and of occasional articles in Land & Liberty, the latest being The Impotence of Man in this issue.

Frank McEachran was educated at Manchester Grammar School and Magdalen College, Oxford. For two years he was English Lecturer at the University of Leipzig during the big inflation. He then settled down to public school teaching, first at Gresham's School, Holt then Shrewsbury School since

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1935, with one year in between travelling in Italy, Greece and Russia.

Mr. McEachran's interests were philosophical and literary and his publications include *The Civilised Man, The Destiny of Europe* (both Faber and Faber), *The Life and Philosophy of Johann Gottfried Herder* (O.U.P.) and, more recently, two volumes of an anthology of European poetry of a strongly individualistic tendency entitled *Spells* (Basil Blackwell).

Frank McEachran was seventy-five and although officially retired, continued to teach at Shrewsbury right up to the day before his death—forty years after he began there. He was utterly devoted to the philosophy of Henry George and contributed papers to three International Union Conferences, Karl Marx and Henry George, Karl Marx and Henry George—Thirty Years After, and . . . Will Not Find Easy Acceptance, the last being presented at the conference in the Isle of Man in 1973.

Only a few weeks ago, Frank McEachran sent in some "collected papers" for possible publication in this journal.

Among his pupils at Shrewsbury, none of whom failed to hear at some time or another the message of Henry George, regardless of the subject matter under discussion, were Christopher Booker, the well known journalist, and Richard Wainwright, Liberal MP for Colne Valley.

Frank McEachran's enthusiasm for the economics and philosophy of Henry George rubbed off on to several of his colleagues at Shrewsbury and some years ago resulted in the present writer paying a visit there to enjoy their hospitality and to address a group of sharp-witted sixth formers.

"Kek" as he was affectionately known to his friends was a profound thinker and a great individualist yet modest and even shy for all his talents and abilities. His passing recalls the words of Henry George, "Strong heart and high endeavour, the world needs them now."

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^{*}Freedom the Only End, Johnson Publications Ltd. £1.10p.