

ARTICLE PROMOTING LAND VALUE TAXATION APPEARS IN FORTUNE MAGAZINE

The August 8, 1983 issues of Fortune magazine features a five-page article written by Gurney Breckenfeld, "Higher Taxes that Promote Development."

The focus of the piece is on the progress made by five cities in Pennsylvania that are now using a graded tax system, with the results so far "...promising enough to raise hope that more localities will use similar antidotes for the economic poison hidden in conventional property taxation."

Calling them "a band of organized and dedicated advocates," Breckenfeld singled out Dan Sullivan, Steven Cord, Congressman William Coyne and Jack Kelly of Scranton as individuals who have promoted the land tax.

In conclusion, Breckenfeld notes that "...Higher land taxes, especially when accompanied by reduced taxes on structures, look like an idea businessmen ought to embrace and promote."

An interesting sidebar to the article, entitled "An Idea that Refused to Die," outlines Henry George's life.

MICHAEL GAVAGHEN JOINS STAFF OF HENRY GEORGE SCHOOL IN NEW YORK

Michael Gavaghen has joined the staff of the Henry George School in New York as an assistant to Stan Rubenstein. His duties will include coordinating public relations, setting up adult education programs and seminars, and contacting legislators in promoting land value taxation.

His background includes stints as a reporter for the Elizabeth, N.J. Daily Journal, and for Brooklyn community newspapers.

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