The Henry George School in the News

SYRACUSE graduates met on December 14th to hear two guest speakers: Ernest A. Cuno, executive officer of Home Builder's Association of Greater Syracuse; and Dorothy Sara, noted graphologist of New York. This is the second basic course to be completed in Syracuse, and a new instructor, William Frank is being groomed as a runner-up to Emanuel Choper, who is occasionally called out of town on business. It is always encouraging when new students and new instructors develop in a steady pattern.

NEW JERSEY'S Gargoyle informs us that a free two-hour tax seminar will run for five weeks beginning January 9th at headquarters in Newark. On the same evening an Economic Seminar and a course on "Capitalism—the Key to Survival" will be offered. Each of these will continue for ten weeks, and the fee for each is \$21.

The Gargoyle has elicited praise from many parts of the country and we are glad that, whereas usually Alexander M. Goldfinger (the dean) "thinks" in The Gargoyle, we have the privilege of offering an article by him in this issue of HGN.

ST. LOUIS held its commencement exercises in the auditorium of the city hall in Clayton, a suburb of St. Louis, and the audience listened with great interest to Dr. David J. Pittman, who spoke on "The Human Element in Urban Renewal." He is director of the Metropolitan Population Project and associate professor of sociology at Washington University.

An advanced course will begin in January and continue for ten weeks, at the Baden Library in North St. Louis. This is open to graduates only. Two books by Henry George will serve as texts: Protection or Free Trade and Social Problems.

DETROIT friends turned out happily to hear their former instructor, the Honorable S. James Clarkson, now mayor of Southfield, Michigan, speak on "Untaxing the Home-Owner." The film "Land . . . and Space to Grow" was shown, and refreshments were served—the admission price was \$1.

NEW YORK graduates had a sparkling evening on December 13th listening to speakers from the various classes as they gave both serious and frolicksome reports on their recent lessons. Mrs. Ezra Cohen was a most welcome guest, as was Howard Pflanzer, the high school graduate of the summer basic course who won the recent essay contest. The resume of his essay "Progress and Poverty Today" appeared in the November HGN. Mrs. Cohen presented to him the \$100 award in memory of her husband, Ezra Cohen, who was vice president of the Henry George School and long a trustee, counselor and distinguished friend.

A letter received by the director of the Henry George School from the principle of the Grover Cleveland High School expressed pleasure over the award received by Howard Pflanzer, and stated that it was a "fine gesture on the part of the Henry George School to offer this award to young people as an inducement toward greater scholarship."

On Friday evening at eight, January 12th, Alice W. Fischelis, who specializes in "Music and Kindred Therapies," will present a program in which the audience will be invited to participate—a delightful combination of song, poesy and color harmony. On January 26th Sydney Mayers will again present a panel worthy of his wit and wisdom, to probe with him the query, "How Free is Freer Trade?" Films will be shown on January 19th.