

Charles H. Ingersoll's Broadcasts

"WAR AS A BUSINESS" IS AGAIN SUGGESTED BY THE FEUHRER'S REMOVAL OF HERR SCHACHT to make way for one who may be more serviceable in spending the big money financial genius has somehow procured. The question is whether war can be made to pay; exactly as the pirates and bandits of old were successful as buccaneers for profit. So far it looks as if both Germany and Italy had got a pretty good return for their investment; and so could get the necessary credit for continued raids—until perhaps they are strong enough to go after big game like Russia, France, England and perhaps the Americas, including U. S. A. The only answer is to remove the economic causes of wars!

WHEN GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS CAN'T OR WON'T DO ANYTHING ABOUT SOME GREIVIOUS AND OBVIOUS WRONG—THEY INVESTIGATE. So we investigated bootleg coal mining in Pennsylvania. Confiscating of oil wells in Mexico, monopoly in Washington by a \$500,000 committee. And now Frank Murphy will, from his new place as U. S. Attorney General, "investigate" sharecropping. Coal bootleggers took what nature put there for them without asking royalty collectors. Oil lands in Mexico as in United States should pay their royalties to the people—not monopolists. Monopoly exists—200 billions of it—right under the feet of the investigators—but they can't find it. And sharecroppers are people whose crops are more than half taken by landlords who do nothing. By all means, investigate, Mr. Murphy.

MUSSOLINI IS BUILDING 14 SUBMARINES TO REACH AS FAR AS US.—U. S. A. His next announcement may be a few thousand bombing planes of equally long-winded type. This suggests conducting war as a big business—putting it on a production basis; because such armadas as these should easily be able to retrieve their cost in single raids; and so reproduction could be indefinite. Is this new war enterprise an evidence that the Duce has "cleaned up" in his last two previous ones, Spain and Ethiopia? Monkeying with war and poverty, besides being fearfully expensive directly, also faces the possibility of "going too far." If either the Duce or Feuhrer are smart enough to "make a business of it" which they show many signs of, they will get us just as old Sana Anna did the unsuspecting pastoral, cultured Mexicans with a shipload of well-trained bandits. The best way is to use our peaceful sciences to find and remove the cause—which is the same—of war and poverty.

MR. INGERSOLL'S REPORT ON RECENT LECTURES

Nov. 17, 1938.—Thursday evening. Town Hall branch meeting Central Y. M. C. A., Philadelphia. Invited by Captain Lester A. Jenks to respond to the speakers at the New York Town Hall Forum, piped every week to this meeting. Speakers were Theodore Roosevelt, Jr., Prof. Fenwick of Brinmore (?) and Cunningham (?). I talked for 25 minutes and answered questions for 1½ hours until the Hall was closed. Audience 75. My position was that none of the speakers squarely met the issue of "Cooperation of American Nations for Peace," because none of them referred except vaguely to the causes of war. The discussion was very lovely.

Nov. 25, 1938.—Friday evening. Current Events Club, Central Y. M. C. A., Philadelphia. Invited by Captain Lester A. Jenks. 50 diners. I presented Georgian Economics, in 30 minutes to a fine audience; but the questions were very limited because of the club rules. Am promised another opportunity.

Dec. 8, 1938.—Thursday noon. Kiwanis Club at the Berkeley Carteret, Asbury Park. Appointment by Mr. Tom Lane. Sixty

of the best business men in town listened with rapt attention to the answer to the question, "What is Wrong with Business and what is the Remedy?" An event of this sort revives all my wanderlust and desire to carry out the program of making 1,000 personal talks in 12 months to every state and city in the country. A talk of 35 minutes followed with 1½ hours of quiz, in which nearly everyone took part. This is the way to "teach" business men.

Jan. 6, 1939.—Friday evening. Guest Speaker at the HGSSS Commencement of four classes, at Kuglers, Philadelphia. Invited by Julian P. Hickok, Director. 85 present. Time limited by other proceedings. However, satisfied the audience by a friendly talk to graduates and more particularly, a description of my simple formula of Georgian Economics which I counseled them to study in view of the practical work that now faces graduates who have had the rare opportunity of a perfect theoretical education as if direct from the Master of Economic Science and Philosophy.

Jan. 11, 1939.—Wednesday evening. Father Divine's Mission, 204 W. 63rd St., N. Y. C. Arranged by correspondence. Listened to a Mr. Scott teach a class on money. Afterward, I talked to the class and audience for a half hour. Not many questions. 250 present; very fine audience. Believe they will be apt students. Have applied for a class.

Jan. 11, 1939. Wednesday evening. Father Divine's Banquet, 152 W. 126th St., N. Y. C. Invited by Father Divine. 1,500 attending. At 2 A. M. was liberally introduced by Charles Becker of Newark and The Father. Made 10-minute outline talk; received with great interest. I hope to cultivate this very large following.

Jan. 16, 1939.—Monday evening. A Recruit Meeting of the HGSSS. First Methodist Church, Hudson, N. Y. A very remarkable one. The school is very highly developed in this town of 15,000; 125 miles north on the Hudson River. Mr. Willis A. Snyder who invited me as the guest speaker, was the Master of Ceremonies of this unusual event. The Church gave its basement and kitchen equipment, and the Georgeist scholars did the rest. 150 people got a bargain dinner. If every HGSSS branch shows the enthusiasm and intelligence of these people of this one, the development of our economics will be very rapid.

I was very pleasantly received and talked for 45 minutes on general phases, answering questions for nearly two hours. Many important features such as three clergymen present and speaking could be reported. Mr. Snyder is a live wire and never sleeps. I drove up and back in 3 hours each, and enjoyed it immensely. With a postscript I might say that I get along very nicely with the HGSSS graduates however it may be with others.

Mr. Ingersoll's Weekly Broadcasting Schedule:

Sun., 8:15–8:45 P. M., WBIL Public Service Forum, Chairman and Director. Mon., 1:30 P. M., WWRL. Tues., 2:45 P. M., WCNW; 10:45 P. M., WFAS (White Plains). Wed., 3:45 P. M., WCNW. Thurs., 8:15 A. M., WLTH; 6:45 P. M., WTNJ (Trenton). Fri., 12:45 P. M., WDAS (Phila.); 3:15 P. M., WSNJ (Bridgeport).

AND some things it may be there are that—as was said by One whom the learning of the time sneered at, and the high priests persecuted, and polite society, speaking through the voice of those who knew not what they did, crucified—are hidden from the wise and prudent and revealed unto babes.

"A Perplexed Philosopher," by HENRY GEORGE.