

Individual Effort

Not all work is done directly through organizations. Numbers of valiant individuals are carrying on the struggle for economic enlightenment in their own way, and their influence is inestimable.

Mr. R. A. Scott, of 152 William Street, New Bedford, Mass., has just printed a large quantity of stickers, which read as follows:

Heavy Taxes Are Strangling Industry. *The Remedy*

Remove all Taxes from Business and Buildings. Replace them by collecting the yearly location value of Land only, for all Public Revenue. Make it unprofitable to hold valuable Land unless it is put to its best use. Land cannot be put to its best use except by setting Idle Capital and Labor to work, making Jobs for Everybody!

Mr. Scott says he will be glad to furnish a supply of these stickers to any one who will attach them to his outgoing mail. Mr. Scott wants to flood the country with them.

Miss Alice I. Siddall of Washington, D. C., has prepared a Bill to be presented to legislators. It is "An Act to provide revenue for the Government of the United States; to remove restrictions on the trade, industry, and agriculture of the United States by assessing revenue-producing taxes on the value of land excluding value of improvements thereon or therein, and for other purposes." Miss Siddall has worked in various Governmental departments, and she is well qualified to draw up such a Bill, being fully acquainted with legal provisions and terminology.

Mr. Harry Haase of New York City, convinced that the need for freedom is urgent and immediate, has been circulating mimeographed messages to Americans, and to the youth of the country. He has circulated these messages among newspapers, magazines and youth organizations. He calls upon Americans to act, and act quickly, to save Democracy and Liberty. Mr. Haase is also the author of a forthcoming book, "Freedom Now."

There are several others who write letters and articles for newspapers and magazines, who lecture and circulate literature, who propose the Georgeist reform to legislators, who in a thousand ways help to further the Cause of Economic Freedom. We are always glad to hear of such efforts.

Great Britain

The Henry George Foundation of Great Britain has recently published a fourth edition of Frederick Verinder's book, "My Neighbor's Landmark," which is a study in Biblical land laws, and therefore valuable for circulation among the clergy and religious groups. The Foundation is also circulating the new edition of Bishop Nulty's famous essay, "Back

to the Land," published by the Australian Georgeists. The Irish Transport and General Workers' Union bought 230 copies of this booklet. "My Neighbor's Landmark" and "Back to the Land" may be secured from the Robert Schalkenbach Foundation, which will furnish prices upon request.

The July issue of *Land and Liberty* carries an interesting article by Dr. J. J. Pikler, who is one of our foreign correspondents. In his essay, "A New Classification of Social Systems," Dr. Pikler presents four systems in relation to one another—the present system, the Georgeist system, Marxist communism and anarchist individualism. Dr. Pikler points out that the opposite of the present system is not Marxism, but Georgeism, and the opposite of communism is anarchism. Communism would socialize all property, anarchism none. The present system socializes some property (wealth, through taxation) and individualizes some (land). The Georgeist plan would reverse this system. "The Marxist system and the anarchist system," says Dr. Pikler, "both preserve one of the two faults of the present system. The Georgeist system eliminates both of these faults."

Spain

Readers will note on our mast-head the change of our Spanish correspondent from Prof. Matheu Alonso to Baldomero Argente. Not having heard from Prof. Alonso for some time, we became concerned, and wrote to Senor Argente at the Spanish League of Georgeists in Madrid for information. We received a gracious reply from Senor Argente, part of which we reproduce here:

"Unfortunately, our information concerning Prof. Alonso is no better than yours. As we have not heard from him in such a long time, we are led to believe that he is dead. His loss is felt by all of us, as we all held him in high esteem.

"Many Georgeists here have had unfortunate ends. The Secretary of the League, Senor Soria, was assassinated by the Reds. The Vice President, Senor Ayats, managed to escape from the Reds after enduring many hardships. Many others have perished.

"Present conditions in Spain, aggravated by the European war, do not make it propitious for us to renew our Georgeist activities. Nevertheless we are persevering in our ideals, and try constantly to serve the cause of Economic Truth.

"With pleasure I accept the position of correspondent in place of Prof. Alonso, and will do my very best, although you will understand my difficulties.

"The present totalitarian regime in Spain has not yet legislated on the land problem. The conditions are the same as before. Temporary measures are being taken regarding the renting of land—favorable to the lessors."