

## Walter I. Swanton

### To the Henry George News:

One of the faithful public servants and workers for fundamental economics was Walter I. Swanton whose letter to me just prior to his death was as follows:

"I want to thank you for sending me the notice of the annual gathering of the Single Taxers at the home of Mrs. Keeley in Riverdale on June 6th.

I will be in Boston attending the 50th Class Reunion of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, plans having all been made, but I had rather be with you all.

I wonder if you have all seen and read Joseph S. Thompson's little 180-page book entitled, "More Progress and Less Poverty," a condensation of Henry George's "Progress and Poverty." It is a wonderful little book in which a business man reviews Henry George, gotten out by the Robert Schalkenbach Foundation, 32 East 29th Street, New York. The list price given in the Book-of-the-Month Club Bulletin is 75c.

The book maintains the statement by Comfort A. Adams, Dean of the Harvard School of Engineering, as follows:

"Finally, I am convinced that the only reform which will save any remnant of our present capitalist system is that proposed by Henry George more than fifty years ago."

It seems Mr. Thompson is a brother of Kathleen Norris, who writes an interesting introductory letter stating that he has been in business and manufacturing for thirty years without having a strike, and having a business of over a million dollars a year, and one of the four leading businesses of its class in the country.

He states on page 106 that:

"In every civilized country, the value of the land is sufficient to bear the entire expense of government—much more than sufficient."

A good Single Tax friend of mine in Lima, Ohio, has written me about the Annual Banquet of the Henry George School in Chicago, which he attended along with 300 guests, and with President Hutchins of the University of Chicago as the principal speaker, and closes his letter with the statement:

"I really believe that the philosophy of Henry George is finding ready acceptance today."

With very kindest regard to all Single Tax Friends.

"WALTER I. SWANTON."

While sorry to miss The Freeman; it's like losing an old friend, still I think probably the change may be an advantage in several ways.

With best wishes for The Henry George News.

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