

This May Save Humanity

THE response to an advertisement by the Henry George School of its correspondence course in economics, just one day in one newspaper in each of 14 of the Latin American countries, has already brought in well over 5,000 requests. We sent introductory information about the course by airmail to persons living in the southern part of South America, and mostly by third class surface mail to those in other parts of the continent. Enrollments and requests for *Progress and Poverty* are coming in at a rapid rate—the total so far is about 300. The world, and certainly Latin America, seems to be hungering for a solution to its economic problems.

Our movement offers something on behalf of the people—a method of study. Others can use political pressures and manipulation, but for us there exists only the slow process of education, consisting of classroom teaching, correspondence courses, books, pamphlets, magazines, documentary films, T.V., radio, etc.

The people we have been reaching through our advertising are mainly students and professors, though we are hearing from other groups too. Being intelligent they understand what they

read quickly and easily, and they are influential. Eventually we can count on a sizeable representation, and who knows—this may result in the emergence of a new civilization! The nations of the world may have other goals than national aggrandizement, power rivalry and alignments, if an understanding of the baleful workings of customs tariffs should become general and lead to the removal of trade barriers. Furthermore, Georgism has the perfect answer to the teachings of Marx and to all forms of totalitarianism and authoritarianism.

If any readers feel inclined to help with the propagation of George's philosophy to South America, let him come to Room 33 at New York headquarters. There volunteers are busy addressing and stuffing envelopes and alphabetizing the complicated Spanish names. Everyone would like to do something to relieve poverty and suffering—and where is there more of it than in Latin America (the annual income in some parts is less than \$100). First returns on our lessons show that we are bringing out the best in our new students, and many are on the way to becoming ardent Georgists.

—C. Matthew Ossias

The author of the above encouraging report, formerly international secretary of the Henry George School, is now head of the Correspondence Division. On November 26th a second son was born to Mr. and Mrs. C. Matthew Ossias.

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