

Address: Why Single Tax should appeal to business—Chas. H. Ingersoll, President, Manhattan Single Tax Club. (30 min.)  
 Address: R. J. Deachman, M.P. for North Huron, Ontario. (30 min.)  
 Discussion.

# THURSDAY

## MORNING SESSION

0:00 Chairman: J. H. L. Patterson, President, Single Tax Association of Canada.  
 Address: A World Survey—Miss Margaret E. Bateman, Montreal. (30 min.)  
 Address: Why Handicap Housing by Unwise Taxation?—Harold S. Buttenheim, Editor, *The American City*. (30 min.)  
 Discussion.

2:30 Luncheon Session.  
 Luncheon for Trustees and Advisory Commission of the Henry George Foundation of America.  
 Luncheon for Canadian delegates.

## AFTERNOON SESSION

2:00 Chairman: Mrs. Anna George deMille, President, Henry George School of Social Science.  
 Address: Purpose and Method of the Henry George School of Social Science—Frank Chodorov, Director. (30 min.)  
 Address: Progress of Extensions—John Lawrence Monroe, Field Director. (30 min.)  
 Canadian Extensions: Earnest J. Farmer, Vice-President, Single Tax Association of Canada. (30 min.)  
 Report of the Robert Schalkenbach Foundation: Mrs. Antoinette Wambough, Executive Secretary. (30 min.)  
 Discussion.

## EVENING SESSION

Theme: The Simplification of Government Through the Single Tax.  
 8:00 Chairman: W. C. Good, President, Co-operative Union of Canada.  
 Address: The Canadian Taxation Situation—A. C. Campbell, Ottawa, Ont. (30 min.)  
 Address: A. Laurence Smith.  
 Discussion.

# FRIDAY

## MORNING SESSION

10:00 Chairman: Clayton J. Ewing, Vice-President, Henry George Foundation.  
 Report of Committee on National Organization: A. Laurence Smith, Detroit, Mich.  
 Discussion.  
 Address: The Value of Political Contacts, Dr. Mark Millikin, Hamilton, Ohio. (30 min.)  
 Report of Resolutions Committee.  
 Discussion.

## AFTERNOON SESSION

2:00 Theme: How to Interest Business Men in the Georgeist Solution.  
 Chairman: Alan C. Thompson, Toronto.  
 Speakers: David Gibson, Cleveland, Ohio. (30 min.)  
 Carl D. Smith, Pittsburgh, Pa., Vice-President, Henry George Foundation. (30 min.)  
 Discussion.

## EVENING SESSION

7:00 Banquet.  
 Chairman: J. H. L. Patterson, President, Single Tax Association of Canada.  
 Address: Hon. Peter Witt, Cleveland, Ohio. (30 min.)  
 Music.  
 Address: Orderly Progress, Hon. A. W. Roebuck, K.C., member for Bellwoods in the Ontario Legislature; former Attorney General for Ontario and member of Hydro Electric Power Commission of Ontario. (30 min.)

## SATURDAY AFTERNOON

2:00 Tour as guests of the City of Toronto.  
 REGISTRATION \$2.00 BANQUET \$2.50

# The California Campaign

THE fight in California is on again. The several county clerks have so far filed with the Secretary of State their certificates showing that 185,867 out of the necessary 186,378 of registered voters had petitioned for the submission of our amendment. In addition there are on the way to the Secretary's office certificates from three more clerks which will carry the number from 1,500 to 2,000 over the required number.

This result has been obtained after a most vicious and unprincipled campaign to prevent the submission. Circulators have been interfered with, bribed, cajoled and threatened with loss of occupation and even personal violence. Suits have been filed in court. The radio and the newspapers have been utilized to the fullest to dissuade persons from signing. Wherever in many places circulators have visited, their footsteps have been followed and people who had signed solicited to withdraw their signatures under all kinds of misrepresentations. In doing all this it can be estimated conservatively that not less than \$50,000 has been spent.

Of course this has delayed us, and even the weather had an important adverse effect. Also it has cost us additional money and much anxiety. Nevertheless my impression is that the net result will not be unfavorable to us, and this conduct will react to our benefit. Counting upon success in the attempt to keep the measure off the ballot, the adverse campaign has been slowed up so that everything to be done must be compressed within about three months and a half.

The raising of money and the conduct of the campaign on the part of the other side seems to be centered in the Chambers of Commerce, whose strings are pulled by the Real Estate Boards. An important aid to the opposition is the Parent-Teachers organization which has fallen into the hands of a reactionary group, using it under the pretense that our measure will cripple the schools. Of course it does nothing of the kind, transferring the load of what we call taxation from the shoulders of the im-

poverished mass to the holders of idle and valuable land.

From time to time we are favored with a glimpse behind the scenes furnished by the opposition. For instance, I have just received copy of a letter sent out generally in Monterey County, in which after saying that the Single Tax Repeal—Single Tax proposal—must be defeated, the writers aver that it would eat up the entire income derived from land. They add: "Make no mistake, with the sales tax repeal included as a part of the measure, we are in for a battle. . . . Newspapers, radio and other means of publicity must be used to reach the voters. The effort calls for money." The suggestion is made that the contribution should be between \$50 and \$100.

There can be little doubt that at least a half-million will be raised to defeat the measure. Against this we have to present a barren treasury. Our money was exhausted in the effort to get the matter before the people for voting. It must be the duty and pleasure of others to help from now on. We may say that our part has cost us many thousands of dollars, and we must limit our sacrifices although not our work.

If this were a matter of matching dollars our position would be indeed hopeless. However, as one who is not a friend, the State Senator from Santa Rosa, remarked in a recent newspaper article, the contest is not "one-sided." He was evidently doubtful of the result.

In connection with the money question it is interesting to note that the statement is constantly being made at Rotary, Kiwanis and other meetings by the opposition that we are backed by the mythical millions of the Fels Fund. Inasmuch as this fund, in fact, never had an existence and the only excuse for such a statement perished with the passing away of Mr. Fels twenty-four years ago, the allegation is distressingly inaccurate.

Almost exactly seven years ago in a long article in LAND AND FREEDOM, I pointed out that the states most open for reform in taxation were first, Michigan and Massachusetts and then California. This article met with no response, of which I am aware, from Michigan, and a negative one from the few Massachusetts men who gave it any attention. Some time later the institution of the sales tax in California seemed to suggest to us that now was the time for California to step to the fore and we assumed a tremendous burden. Our present outlook is that the State where our doctrines first received widest recognition will be the first, with your assistance, to show real results. Will we have this assistance or will you

"Politely turn aside

When your faith is crucified?"

as Frank Stephens long ago put the question, and if you do "Can you call it your millennium when it comes?"

LATER

Have just received word that Fresno County reports

1,613 good names. This puts us on the ballot with 1,100 names above and around 1,000 more to come.

Please make a suitable correction in the letter sent yesterday or use this as an addendum.

This, save for the possibility of court interference ends a six and more months' phase of the struggle and is a great relief.

Palo Alto, Calif.

JACKSON H. RALSTON.

## National Conference of the Federated Chapters of the Henry George Fellowship

NEW YORK CITY, JULY 3 AND 4, 1938

THE conference made up of delegates from twelve cities and meeting to coordinate the work of all the chapters to provide a clearing house of ideas, was opened by President Nathan Hillman, Hartford, Conn., with a brief commentary on its aims and purposes. Mrs. Ann George deMille greeted the delegates with her customary inspirational words of hope and encouragement, and delegates were welcomed in behalf of the New York Chapter as host by Mr. Morris Forkosch, president of the chapter.

Mr. Hillman's report of his activities as president during the year was especially gratifying, showing the growth of the Fellowship from no formal organization to twelve chapters in ten states.

Class organization with special emphasis on advertising and financing classes was discussed by Mr. William Newcomb of Rochester, N. Y., whose article, "Showmanship in Education," appeared in LAND AND FREEDOM. Contributions to this subject were made also by Mr. Mark Leonardi of Boston, Mass.; Mr. Samuel Levin of Chicago, Ill., and Mr. Morris Forkosch of New York City. It is interesting to note also, that every delegate present offered suggestions, showing the intense interest of all chapters. It was brought out that the opening of classes may be advertised through the use of posters and pamphlets displayed in public places, but many equally valuable suggestions were offered.

Articles in newspapers and periodicals, with letters to the editors accompanied if possible by photographs of teachers, and preceded by personal contacts with the editors to facilitate publication, are of inestimable value. Radio broadcasts, plays, and discussions are excellent means. Triple postcards are especially useful in many cases. Commencement dinners for graduates were recommended. The importance of keeping graduates interested and employed, not only as teachers but also in various capacities was stressed, and ideas for teas, luncheons and social functions were offered. Graduates may participate in local groups for the purpose of presenting the Henry George Philosophy, and distribute pamphlets, prepar-