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WHAT SINGLE TAXERS AND THE  
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YEAR BOOK

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Now that the Year Book, the work of two years, is before the public, and efforts are being made to popularize it, we desire to thank all our comrades for the cordial reception they have given it, and our friends of the press for the many friendly notices.

Of the book itself we may say that it is a consensus of the best thought of Single Taxers, rather than representative of any particular individual's theories. In what we ourself have written for the work we have striven to place before the world, not so much our own interpretation of the philosophy, as the general conception embraced by the great body of our believers. In this we believe we have been fairly successful.

There has been some slight misunderstanding regarding the statement in the Preface that we have striven to exclude contentious matter as far as possible. Our purpose, to repeat what we have said above, was to present what the largest body of our believers are agreed upon, ignoring particular differences shared by smaller groups. Even in doing this, we have tried, with special consideration for such groups, to harmonize minor differences, so that the Single Tax cause would present, so far as this book is concerned, a certain unity of aim and method to the reader who consults the work for special information as to our movement. It seemed well also to emphasize the agreements of our philosophy with the best conclusions of the political economists without dwelling too much upon points of disagreement. In doing this we have conceded nothing of real importance to the movement.

We append a few commendations of the work from the many received.

The first, last, biggest, least, and finest point in the matter of the history, principles and application of the Single Tax philosophy seem to have been set forth in lucid form in the Year Book of the subject, which makes, this year, its quinquennial appearance. "A handy source of information as to the progress of the movement in all countries" is the editor's modest description of the work—which is so imposing and thrifty a looking volume that it seems to suggest for the propaganda it forwards successful progress.

At any rate, there is hardly a country on the habitable globe where the Single Tax teachings have not found lodgment. More than one hundred pages sketch out its history in the spots where it is particularly gaining a stronghold.....

Perhaps the chief value of the book lies in its practical presentation of the application of Single Tax philosophy to many of the great problems of the day.....

The student of the subject can turn to this volume, confident that his questionings in regard to the Single Tax movement will all be intelligibly answered. Encyclopedia is the word that better describes the volume than Year Book, for it is indeed a summary of the knowledge of the subject.

—*New Bedford (Mass.) Standard*

In this quinquennial handbook the adherents of the cause have vital and up-to-date literature for the conversion of the ignorant or obtuse and for edification of the faithful.

—*Christian Science Monitor*

Mr. Joseph Dana Miller is to be congratulated on the timely appearance of his quinquennial Year Book and on the hearty reception that is assured to it from the Single Taxers of the United States. The Year Book provides not only what is promised in the preface, a handy source of information as to the progress of the movement in all countries, but much interesting historical matter, and many stimulating suggestions and re-statements of fundamentals; it provides, in short, just what the Single Tax movement requires at the present stage of its progress.

—ALEX. MACKENDRICK, in *The Public*

Considering the cost in time, trials and toil—to say nothing of the superior talent spent upon it, which all will concede—in addition to its exceptional propaganda value, I regard it exceedingly cheap at the price. Besides, I think you have devised a scheme worth while, and which is going to command additional issues to supply the growing demand.

The Year Book will prove a great time and breath-saver. When a doubting Thomas happens along we will have only to turn to the index, and point to a seat, and—well, he'll be answered more and better in one hour than will all the harangue that could be muddled into him in a week. Besides, it is an equipment for the hunt of bigger game than we have had the courage to tackle heretofore.—J. L. CALDWELL, Amarillo, Tex.

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It was my good fortune to be the first publisher east of San Francisco to dedicate an established journal of any kind to the truth he made clear. This I did in personal correspondence with Mr. George in 1883.

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The book seems to me to be a most satisfactory effort at putting out a work that is already badly needed and coming to be needed more and more—LOUIS F. POST, Department of Labor, Washington, D. C.

The Single Tax Year Book is the best encyclopedia of the Single Tax movement in this country and abroad that has yet been issued. Among the scholarly and valuable contributions that deserve special mention is that of Samuel Milliken on the "Fore-runners of Henry George."

I congratulate you on your splendid success in giving to the movement a book of such real merit.—EDWARD P. E. TROY, San Francisco, Calif.

The Year Book more than fulfills my expectations and I am sure it will be of great value to our cause.—CHARLOTTE SCHETTER, New York.

Please accept my congratulations on the production of such a good volume. It is sure to be of great value to students of the Single Tax question. Also it is a well made book, technically, which helps a lot. I realize how much work it has been to compile and edit the book.—ARTHUR N. YOUNG, Professor of Economics, Princeton University.

Your task has been splendidly done, and you have, I am sure, the gratitude of all Single Taxers.

If I were able I would like to dispose of them by the hundreds.

The work is beautifully done—print and paper being a joy to the eye.

Accept my congratulations and best wishes for the edition of 1922.—J. A. DEMUTH, Oberlin, Ohio.

This is a valuable work and should be productive of much good in promoting sound principles of economics, and inspiring many to activity in the movement for a free earth. I hope that some of our wealthy men will aid in seeing that this volume is widely distributed through our libraries, particularly in the libraries of our Universities and Colleges, where the younger minds can be so well reached.—EDWARD P. TOTTEN, Judge, Bowman County Court, North Dakota.

You have done great work for the Single Tax cause by publishing so complete a work. I, for one, am very grateful to you.—JANET S. BROWNLEE, Penna. College for Women, Pittsburgh, Pa.

The book is indispensable to all who are interested in the Single Tax agitation.—*New York Sun*.

You have done a splendid piece of work for the cause. Within your limits of space and money I think it could not be improved.—W. S. U'REN, Portland, Oregon.

The Year Book fills such a decided want and is so excellently done that I want to give you my most emphatic praise.—HENRY P. BOYNTON, Cleveland, Ohio.

The book is very creditable; and you are to be highly commended for your industry and for the excellent general tone of the publication—LOUIS WALLIS, Chicago, Ill.

I am much pleased with the Year Book. It is a very great addition to the Single Tax literature.—LUCIUS F. C. GARVIN, Lonsdale, R. I.

I am an old Single Taxer and though I know already most of the history of the greatest movement for the bettering of mankind, I find much in this book that is new to me and am reminded of many things forgotten.—W. T. WEIR, Gladstone, Ill.

Your statement of the Single Tax philosophy in the introduction exactly coincides with my own conception of that philosophy and is expressed far more happily than I have ever been able to frame it for myself. I am greatly pleased with the dignity and moderation that mark the book.—E. N. VAL-LANDINGHAM, Chestnut Hill, Mass.

The book is a most valuable one. We all owe you a debt of gratitude for the time and thought you have given it.—FLORENCE A. BURLEIGH, Springfield, Mass.

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Your introduction is a classic that any writer might feel proud of.

You deserve the thanks of Single Taxers everywhere. You have rendered them an inestimable service.—B. F. LINDAS, Washington, D. C.

A remarkable introduction.—PROF. HENRI LAMBERT, Belgian Economist now in this country.

It is in every way an admirable piece of work.—JOHN E. CHAPMAN, Brunswick, Me.

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I consider the Year Book next in importance or good of the cause to "Progress and Poverty."—NORMAN C. WEIR, Washington, D. C.

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You have a splendid piece of work here. In fact, it is monumental.—DAVID GIBSON, Cleveland, Ohio.

I have looked through your Year Book and find it replete with valuable information, a valuable record of the progress of the most important reform in the world.—W. A. DOUGLASS, Toronto, Can.

Your Introduction is great. I like the substance, I admire the form. I think the style is the best thing you've done, so far as I can remember.—WESLEY E. BARKER, Toronto, Canada.

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I am immensely pleased with the book.—REV. JOHN F. SCOTT, Mt. Vernon, N. Y.

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