

John G. White's Lecture Work Progress In Ontario and The Vote In Toronto

Following are the lecture dates filled by John G. White during the month of December, 1919:

Kiwanis Club, New Orleans, La.
 Rotary Club, Baton Rouge, La.
 Rotary Club, Alexandria, La.
 Rotary Club, Memphis, Tenn.
 Kiwanis Club, Memphis, Tenn.
 Kiwanis Club, Chatanooga, Tenn.
 Rotary Club, Mobile, Ala.
 Open Forum, Mobile, Ala.
 Rotary Club, Cape Girardeau, Mo.

In January of this year Mr. White filled the following engagements:

City Club, Memphis, Tenn.
 Men's Church Club, Berwyn, Ill.
 Kiwanis Club, Milwaukee, Wis.
 Rotary Club, Duluth, Minn.
 Commercial Ass'n, Oak Park, Ill.
 Men's Church Club, North Milwaukee, Wis.
 Women Welfare League, St. Paul, Minn.
 Town Criers Club, St. Paul, Minn.
 The Seven Oaks Commercial Club, Minneapolis, Minn.
 Open Forum, St. Paul, Minn.
 Kiwanis Club, Minneapolis, Minn.
 Rotary Club, St. Paul, Minn.
 Civic and Commerce Ass'n, Rochester, Minn.
 Business Men's Association, Westby, Wisconsin.
 Kiwanis Club, Oshkosh, Wisconsin.

Following are Mr. White's engagements for February:

Salina, Kansas, Rotary Club, Feb. 2nd.
 Salina, Kansas, Kansas Wesleyan University, Feb. 3rd.
 Hutchinson, Kansas, Chamber of Commerce, Feb. 4th, noon
 Wichita, Kansas, Chamber of Commerce, Feb. 4th, evening.
 Wichita, Kansas, Lions Club and Schools, Feb. 5th.
 Pretty Prairie, Kansas, February 6th and 7th.
 Leadville, Colo., Chamber of Commerce, Feb. 12th.
 Grand Junction, Colo., Feb. 13th.
 Salt Lake City, Utah, Rotary Club, Feb. 17th.
 Pocatello, Idaho, Rotary Club, Feb. 19th.
 Boise, Idaho, Rotary Club, Feb. 26th.
 Spokane, Washington, March 1st to 7th inclusive.
 Tacoma, Washington, Rotary Club, March 19th.
 Hood River, Oregon, Farmers' Organization, March 20th.
 Hood River, Oregon, Church Forum, March 21st.
 San Diego, Cal., April 4th to 8th inclusive.
 Los Angeles, Cal., Kiwanis Club, April 9th.
 San Antonio, Texas, Rotary Club, April 30th.

This is the list of appointments so far accepted by Mr. White on his forthcoming Pacific coast tour beginning at Salina, Kansas, Feb. 2. Organizations desiring to secure Mr. White may communicate with the Henry George Lecture Bureau, 538 S. Dearborn street, Chicago, Ill.

THE change of government on Ontario from a Conservative regime of many years to a Farmer-Labor leadership and control is one of the important happenings of the past year. In it Single Taxers throughout the Province see the opening of a better day for their principles.

A radical change in taxation is part of the legislative programme of the Farmer-Labor coalition. Here are some changes that are proposed:

Tax on unearned increment.
 Higher tax on unimproved land.
 Higher graduated income tax.
 Higher inheritance tax.
 Tax on profits.
 Lower tax on improvements.
 Income tax on profits of corporations.
 Proportional representation.

"The United Farmers of Ontario" platform has been more definite than the Labor platform as to its taxation policy, but little difficulty is experienced in the two groups getting together on that subject. The bulk of the farmers in the Province may be suspicious of any move to make the land carry most of the burden of taxation, but local option for towns and cities would leave the rural districts free to adjust matters to suit themselves.

For the past twenty-five years such leaders of the United Farmers of Ontario, as Drury, Morrison, Good and Cowan have been pronounced Single Taxers in their writings and speeches.

The Liberal Party is also committed to Tax Reform and Proportional Representation.

It is no exaggeration to say that most of the influence that has made it possible for the leaders of these groups to advance such progressive measures has come from the efforts of the past thirty-five years made by the Single Tax Association of Ontario, in sending deputations to sessions of the Legislature, municipalities, and other organizations, and the publication of the *Square Deal* and other literature.

After the recent general election in this Province the leader of the Government, Premier Drury, received a deputation of our members, and after hearing their views, promised to introduce an amendment to the Ontario Assessment Act to provide for local option in taxation.

The deputation was informed that the gentleman appointed to frame this bill was a convinced Single Taxer, and a jurist much respected for his character and ability. Useful data to assist in this work have already been placed at his disposal by the Association.

Those who have followed the current of events in this Province for the past twenty-five years have no doubt that Local Option in Taxation will become law by a good majority in the new Legislature.

It was recently brought to the notice of Premier Drury by the Association that this contemplated change in the Assessment Act would obviate the need of any more Gov-