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Friday 11/4 Film Night - Pictures:
"Trees and Homes"
"Trees to Tribune"

Sun. regular meeting-3:30 November 6th

Fri. 11/18 Film Night - Pictures: "Meeting the Challenge"
"Enterprise"

Sunday 11/20 regular meeting 3:30 - OPEN DISCUSSION

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FROM THE PRESIDENT - JOSEPH B. ROSE

On this first anniversary of SAGE'S PAGES it is appropriate to send you this special message on the state of your organization. SAGE has had its difficulties, as all organizations do in their inception, primarily too few trying to do too much. In all however, there have been accomplishments. Not as much perhaps, as we had hoped, but enough to make us feel somewhat proud. SAGE will undoubtedly continue to grow and prosper - continue to serve the great cause of Henry George. I hope to see a greater number of members, as we travel along, helping in the furtherance of our aims. Yes, some day you will look back and say proudly - "I was one of the founders!"

Since the first issue of SAGE'S PAGES came out, a Motion Picture Projector was bought for the School, Lecture Film Series were initiated, classes in "Salesmanship & Human Relations" and "Abridged P&P" sponsored, distribution of books, literature & news, letter campaigns, radio broadcasts over WINS and WQXR, a piano bought & and repaired, attempted publication of P&P in pocket-book form, Federation of SAGE Clubs (with headquarters in New York) started, Etc., etc.

We have proved that Georgists can unite, work and support an organization. At last we are attracting a large membership. Those who looked at us in a skeptical manner when we first organized, are now convinced and joining our ranks. The future looks bright - great projects are planned. SAGE'S PAGES must grow and be printed professionally. It should become "The Battle Cry" of the movement!

And now, just a few more words: Elections will be held on the first meeting in December - Nominations on the Second meeting in November. All executive offices are to be filled. I regret to inform you that I shall not be a candidate for office this term. I will, however, always continue to be a good member and do all I can through SAGE for the movement.

As I step down from the Presidency, the greatest honor you can pay me is to attend those two meetings. Make sure that you nominate and elect to office the best qualified individuals available and then support them as you have supported me. I shall give you my Farewell Message later, but at this time we have a job to do -- and that job is to make sure that the destiny of SAGE, during the coming year, rests in strong and capable hands!

DATES TO BE REMEMBERED!

Friday	-	November 4	....	Film Night
Sunday	-	November 6	....	Regular Meeting
Tuesday	-	November 8	....	Election Day - Go To The Polls!
Friday	-	November 11	....	Lecture Night
Friday	-	November 18	....	Film Night
Sunday	-	November 20	....	Regular Meeting - Nominations!
Friday	-	November 25	....	Lecture Night
Saturday	-	December 3	....	First Dance of Season!
Sunday	-	December 4	....	Regular Meeting - Elections!

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

ENTERTAINMENT - The date for the first seasonal dance has been definitely set for Saturday evening, December 3rd. Tickets will again be \$1.00 per person in advance sale, \$1.25 at the door. A good dollar's worth of fun is offered, with dancing to a rhythmic orchestra, refreshments and a door prize. All members are requested to assist with the sale of tickets by taking 10, or as many as each one feels that they can sell. - Remember, to carry on our work more effectively we need cash. This is a chance to join us for a gala evening and also swell our coffers! Talk it up, sell it - Let's make it the biggest dance on record; invite your friends, acquaintances, co-workers and relatives. We always have a wonderful time!

Some excellent concert and recital talent is available to us. Initial steps are being taken to formulate an enjoyable musical program some time early in the ensuing year. More on this later when some measure of definiteness has been effected.

George Musalino, Chairman

MEMBERSHIP: - Our membership is growing apace. While it is not as great as we eagerly anticipated, results have been most encouraging. Enforced absence had stalled systematic efforts in the weekly mailings and there is catching up to do to maintain our schedule, but by the time this goes to press, all will be going smoothly again.

As frequently emphasized at the meetings, every member unofficially belongs to the Membership Committee, so if need be, talk SAGE to every Georgist, talk of Henry George to every truth-seeker; in this way you make it a vital part of your life, for with more Georgists we have more SAGER'S, for with George it means more enlightenment in a better, peaceful world! To our group we welcome the following new members:

REGULAR MEMBERS

Aaron J. Aldart
Walter Anderson
Sidney Blitz
Robert Colman
Ruth N. Dominick
Irma Egan
G. A. Friedman
Mrs. L.H. Heath
Dr. A.M. Hutchinson

Mrs. Aline Solkee
Elizabeth M. Slattery
Raymond D. Smith
Julia Stromberg
Beatrice Vigo

ASSOCIATE MEMBERS

Edward R. Albert - Valhalla, N.Y.
Charles Hechter - Chicago, Ill.
H. S. Snyder - Litchfield, Conn.
(George Musalino, Temporary Chman)

FILM: - The Friday Night "Movie-Lecture" Series started October 21 with the showing of "Unfinished Rainbows", depicting the processing of Aluminum, and "On The Air", a picture dealing, as might be judged by its title, with radio broadcasts. This initial evening was well attended and, "variety being the spice of life", we feel sure with our new policy of alternating Friday nights with the always interesting lecture series under the capable "sponsoring" of Miss Alice Davis, that these Friday nights will continue to bring out a most enthusiastic audience. The Film Committee has lined up quite an interesting array of productions for future showing, so we would urge you to watch the calendar of SAGE'S PAGES for their intriguing titles. Our new Chief Engineer, Ed Conney, will be on the job to handle the actual operation of the projector, so we feel quite confident that together with the regular "Question & Answer" period which is part and parcel of this project, the answer as to where to spend your Friday evenings will be found right here! We'll be looking for you!

James Donnelly, Chairman

RADIO:

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Just a few words to report that this "Dollar-A-Year-For-Radio" Club has been in operation since the first of the year, with the result that TWO (count 'em!) Broadcasts in September were made possible, over Stations WQXR & WINS. Bill Hollow's announcement was especially effective and puts him right in the front ranks of radio announcers - his words were pleasingly spoken, to the point and he managed to get a lot in the short time allotted to us.

Just a few more words to say that, due to Irving Faust's "Texan Tenacity" we have been able to make the Radio Club solvent and there is still more money coming in for future broadcasts.

Irving Faust, Chairman

Bill Hollow, Co-Chairman

(Sort of mutual admiration, boys? - Ed.)

Notice for hungry SAGE'S and their friends!

Since October 11th the School Coffee Shop has been operating under the able management of our accomplished Entertainment Chairman, George J. Musalino, and already a new spirit has been injected into the old dining room. Familiar faces are noted more frequently, for good, savory dinners and choice refreshments can be had at most nominal prices - Service is par excellent! SAGE'S and their friends will find particular satisfaction in patronizing the Coffee Shop before classes, after classes and when dining out evenings. It's a good place to invite a friend to have dinner with you and then attend your class as a visitor - From a visitor your friend may become a regular student of Georgel (We mean Henry George, of course). We have heard so many complimentary remarks made about the Coffee Shop, we haven't room to print them, so we would suggest you stop in and sample the fare - We are sure you won't be disappointed - (Tell George Musalino you read it in SAGE'S PAGES - then he'll know we are all backing him up and maybe he will have spaghetti-a-la-Musalino soon again!) - V.R.

Are you a subscriber to the Henry George News? - If you want to keep abreast of Georgist activities, we would urge you to send in a dollar for a year's issue (12 copies), or enter your subscription with any SAGE officer at our ~~bi-monthly~~ (pardon us) semi-monthly meetings. We will see that your name is properly entered to receive this paper, which is under the capable editorship of our friend, Miss Alice Davis.

ELECTIONS!

While we feel quite strongly that, regardless of your party affiliations, you should not shirk your duty to your country by failing to vote on November 8, we feel equally so in regard to your duty, as a SAGE member, to vote in SAGE'S coming elections, December 4th. - We are gratified to have as Chairman of our Nominating Committee, Herman W. Mackawain, who will prepare a slate of candidates for your approval, submitting them on November 20th. - There will be of course, the usual Democratic opportunity to nominate from the floor, fellow-Laborers in the Georgist field, in the truly Republican spirit and we would urge all members to make it a point of honor to attend the meetings on November 20th and December 4th. In this way, having had a voice in the selection of candidates, the governing body of SAGE for the coming year, will be truly an expression of your own choice! We will look for you - and you - and you!

Vivian Rodney

THE WANDERING PHILOSOPHER NOTES: - Not few of us ever stop to think that our judgment may be no better than the other fellows. This is why we are so quick to offer our opinion; and it is this tendency to criticize too soon that makes judgment so great a threat to creative effort. A good slogan for all of us would be "Judge wisely, but at the right time".

A MESSAGE FROM THE TREASURER: - We don't like to bring this subject up, but some of our members are in arrears in their dues (a few of them quite a bit!) and since it is no doubt an oversight, we thought we would bring it to your attention via SAGE'S PAGES (we are sure you all read it through!). SAGE doesn't seek to build up a big treasury, but we do need some money for our various projects, as well as to carry on the regular business of the organization. So, won't you please save us the bother and the embarrassment of contacting you personally about this, by sending in your overdue membership fee, or seeing me personally at the next meeting? We know you want to cooperate, so we'll be seeing you! Val Hallgren, Treasurer

SPEAKERS BUREAU - The brief history of the Speaker's Bureau is, at present, the story of its first efforts to organize. It's work so far can be summed up in the following announcement:

"The First Meeting of the Speakers Bureau will be held Sunday, November 27th, at 3:00 P/M/ and all interested are invited to attend".

Subsequent meetings will be held on Sundays not conflicting with SAGE meetings. Letters, cards and posters were made to announce the Bureaus formation. A great deal of work was necessary to get this far, and perhaps you know that the real work has not begun! We must now concentrate our efforts on the building of a successful Speakers Bureau worthy of the Henry George Movement! Our first meeting on November 29th will begin our campaign. Harold Sager, Chairman

DISTRIBUTION and EDUCATION, headed by Anita and Elaine Tencer respectively, & the ADVERTISING & PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEES, John Howard, Chairman, had nothing to report for this issue, but modestly stated that they are doing their best in their respective capacities. (After all, what more can be asked of any Committee or individual member? Are you sure you are doing your part? - Ed.)

PERSONAL GLIMPSES

We were very pleased to note that our good member, Ann Goodman, has become Mr. Dracyfus' secretary, taking the place left vacant by Mildred Allen, our Corresponding Secretary, who was forced to resign due to the fact that she had too many obligations to fulfil and felt that Mr. D. should have more than the "edge" of her time. Good luck, Ann!

Did you know that Hope Beavers had a work of sculpture on exhibition at the Allied Artists of America Annual Exhibition in October?

We are happy to welcome Rose E/ Rafkind to the Hospitality Committee. There are any number of "corners" for you to "brighten" by joining one of the Committees - How about it?

CLASSES: - There are 19 classes in Fundamental Economics (P&P) being held at the Henry George School each week, plus 17 Advanced Courses, (including "Public Speaking" taught by our own Joe Rose), plus Jim Donnelly's class in "Salesmanship & Human Relations", now starting a second time for those who missed taking the previous course - These are not counting the Extension Classes under Arthur Lee's guiding hand, and the Correspondence Course Department, with pupils in every State and many foreign countries, headed by Mr. Bennett Challis ... The Philosophy of Henry George is spreading - Don't you want to do your part - studying further, teaching, working with SAGE?

THE BANDIT, THE BEGGAR AND THE BLACKSMITH

Long ago in the countryside
A beggar and bandit met;
Each boasted of his way of life
And forthwith made a bet.

To end dispute they thought it fair
To ask who c'er came nigh
To tell which he would rather be,
If given the choice, and why.

"I'm sure I'll win" the bandit cried;
I never have to whine;
I just waylay the passersby
And take their wealth for mine.

"You risk your life" the beggar said,
I simply shed a tear,
And then receive sweet charity
without a thought of fear.

Soon coming along the highway
They spied a calvaceo
Guarding a man on horseback,
Handsomely arrayed.

Confronting him upon the road,
They cried from where they stood:
"You can do us a favor, Sir,
If you will be so good;

For we've a wager between us,
And while it's all in fun,
Would you a beggar or bandit be,
If you had to be either one?

The man at first, was resentful,
But next he laughed instead,
And drawing himself up proudly,
This is what he said:

"Come now," said he, "I'm both you see
in a gentlemanly way;
I begged the King for my estates,
But I make my tenants pay.

I take some part of their earnings
Whether they will or no;
They have to give, if they want to live
Or off my land they go".

So saying, he smartly cracked his whip
And soon was lost to sight,
But neither bandit or beggar
knew which of them was right.

So walking onward toward a town
They came to a spreading tree
There under it a blacksmith
Was singing lustily.

The question they then put to him
As they watched the sparks fly,
Striking while the iron was hot,
The blacksmith made reply:

"Hy neither one-Shame on you both
I would not beg or steal;
I bought this lot and earn my
bread
And just contentment feel.

There may be times you're justifi-
fied
Something for nothing to get;
But this is still a frontier town
And that hasn't happened yet.

There land is cheap, as it is here
Take a lesson from me;
There's no excuse to rob or kill
Or yield to poverty"

This verdict came as a surprise-
It made them think again;
Both of them could, if they but
would, it seemed,
Turn to be honest men!

Mabel I/Rees

And now, just a brief word of
appreciation ~~is~~ during the past
year for Mr. Clancy's cooperation
Miss Ives unfailing courtesy in
handling SAGE'S affairs in the
Front Office, & Mrs. Maxwell's
kindly help with the publication
of SAGE'S PAGES, plus our thanks
to all those others (un-named as
space forbids) for their contri-
butions of time, labor & items
of interest, without whose help
SAGE'S PAGES would not have been
published for one whole year!
For as long as we are Editor
we pledge ourself ~~x~~ to do our
best with the paper. Thanks!

Vivian Rodney, Editor