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MAYOR McNAIR RESIGNS

Pittsburgh, Pa., October 6th, (HGNS)--Mayor William N. McNair submitted his resignation today to the city clerk to be effective immediately. Cornelius D. Scully, president of the City Council and member of the Board of Directors of the Henry George Foundation of America, was named successor for the year and three month's of the unexpired term.

Mayor McNair's administration had in it many followers of Henry George who neglected no opportunity to advance the movement.

The crisis in the affairs of the city government was precipitated by the failure of the mayor and the city council to agree on the appointment of the city treasurer and Mayor McNair resigned in order to permit the city to function. As he walked out of the city hall he returned to the little law office from which he emerged three years ago to become the city's chief executive.

STREET CORNER MEETINGS BRING NEW STUDENTS

Pittsburgh, Pa., October 6th, (HGNS)--The Henry George School of Social Science has secured the names of between 2,000 and 3,000 prospective students as a result of a series of street corner meetings addressed by a squad of forty-nine "soap boxers." Weekly audiences so far already run into the tens of thousands. The meetings last from two to four hours and longer and are doing much to arouse an interest in the average citizen in the importance of land value taxation as a major weapon against unemployment and poverty.

FIREMEN ENROLLING IN PITTSBURGH

Pittsburgh, Pa., October 4th (HGNS)--Richard E. Howe, Extension Secretary of the Henry George School of Social Science announces a new class for the firemen of this city with an enrollment expected to reach at least 800.

CLASSES STARTED BY BRITISH SECTION OF THE HENRY GEORGE SCHOOL OF SOCIAL SCIENCE

London, October 5th, (HGNS)--The newly established British Section of the Henry George School of Social Science announces a program to open extension classes in all the leading cities in Great Britain.

Through the cooperation of the National Headquarters in New York City in furnishing classroom aids, teachers manuals and incidental material it was possible to anticipate the opening date by several months and classes that were planned for January 1937 have already been started.

The Messrs. H.A. Berens, F.C.R. Douglas, Frank Fox, Wilfred Harrison, Leon Maclaren and R.R. Stokes of London and William Reid of Glasgow constitute a temporary organization committee pending the election of a board of governors. Miss Frances R. Levy of Raveloe, Effingham, Surrey, is honorary secretary.

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DENMARK ORGANIZING SCHOOL BRANCH

Copenhagen, October 6th, (HGNS)--A Danish branch of the Henry George School of Social Science is being organized under the leadership of Bue Bjorner, newly elected president of the International Union for Land Value Taxation and Free Trade, in cooperation with other delegates to the London Conference and friends of the cause.

Translations of the classroom material will be made to conform to the Danish edition of Progress and Poverty (Fremskridt og Fattigdom). "It is our intention to adhere strictly to the method and manual of the School", said Mr. Bjorner.

ALUMNI LEADERS CALLED TO CINCINNATI CONGRESS

New York City, October 6th, (HGNS)--Arthur H. Vetterman, President of the New York Chapter of the Henry George Fellowship joins with Nathan Hillman, President of the Chicago Chapter in issuing a call to Georgist leaders everywhere to meet at the Henry George Congress in Cincinnati, November 12 to 14th to help lay the foundation for wielding all the local alumni chapters into an effective national organization.

"Now as never before, this bewildered world needs the principles of economic justice as taught by Henry George. We who have the knowledge of these principles, must do everything possible to popularize them widely," is the keynote of the message that is going to the officers of the chapters of the Henry George Fellowship and other alumni groups throughout the United States.

GRAHAM PEACE TO LECTURE IN THE U.S.

London, England, October 6th (HGNS)--J.W. Graham Peace, Secretary of the Commonwealth Land Party, the object of which is "The foundation of a commonwealth based on the assertion of the common right to the land," author and editor, is negotiating an American lecture tour that is expected to bring him to this country late in the fall or early in the winter of 1937. If arrangements can be completed in time, it is his intention to be present at the Henry George Congress in Cincinnati, November 12.

WILL CONTINUE FIGHT FOR THE RALSTON AMENDMENT.

San Francisco, Calif., October 6th (HGNS)--Hundreds of thousands of people have gained new ideas upon the subject of taxation that they will not forget, as a result of the campaign of the Sales Tax Repeal Association for the Ralston amendment, says a bulletin of the Association just released. The Amendment was to have been voted upon on November 2 and was removed from the ballot ~~on~~ by a technicality by a decision of the State Supreme Court, Justice Seawell dissenting.

It claims for the amendment the solid support of the Labor Press and the unanimous vote of every labor organization before which it was brought. Because of its firm conviction that the public must be thoroughly instructed in what it stands for, the Association proposes to maintain permanent offices in Los Angeles and San Francisco and the work will be continuous.

"We are out to win a war, not a battle," declares the report, over the signature of former Judge Jackson H. Ralston, General Chairman and N.D. Alper, Executive Secretary of the Northern Section.