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My dear Mr. Dorn:

This is just a line to greet you on your birthday and to wish you many happy returns of same. Also, to congratulate you upon the valuable services which you have rendered in the most important of all forward movements.

May the coming year be one of unusual happiness for you and yours.

Since the old days in Kansas City about 53 years ago when I was vice-president of the Kansas City Single Tax Club, it has been my lot to be far removed from other Georgists and our various publications, the Standard, The Public, The National Single Tax, etc. and these papers have been very much to me as, of course, they have been to others under similar circumstances.

I wish that The Freeman could be supported as a weekly publication, but I know that is hoping for too much. Some time when convenient, I wish you would let me know how Land and Freedom is getting along. It used to be the rule to pay \$10.00 annually so as to support Mr. Miller in his good work. He never commended my book "Prosperity" and he was right in that. It was a mistake to have it published and I should have waited a couple of years and then have rewritten it at 25¢ a copy - paper edition.

The foundation and the school seem to be doing splendid work and this is needed, especially as an influence for our colleges and our statesmen at Washington.

Very truly yours,

3-31-43

Dear Mr. Dorn:

This letter got mislaid on

my desk, but I'll mail it anyway.

Hen Allen

To the Stars:

The greatest dangers to the Republic are those which are insidious in nature and which grow imperceptibly until they are beyond control. That is why constant vigilance is always in order. Such a danger to our government are the sinister steps toward State Socialism, or Communism which at first are either unnoted or are regarded as harmless. When taken together, however, their dangerous character is more readily perceived. An illustration of these progressive steps will be recalled when attention is directed to the conspicuous hospitality that was extended to the communist leaders in the National Youth movement by Mrs. Roosevelt. Then followed the surprising pardon of Earl Browder, Communist leader, from prison by the President. Shortly afterwards a presidential decree provided for the confiscation of all incomes above \$25,000 as demanded by the Communist National Platform. But far more dangerous to the American form of government than any of the above has been the confiscation of property rentals by methods which have been nothing less than brutal, by the Price Administrator. This arbitrary measure is without precedent and has the effect of robbing one class of citizens for the benefit of a far larger class in accordance with the communistic idea of providing "The greatest good for the greatest number" in violation of the sanctity of property rights. The Congress will doubtless put an end to this outrage at the earliest possible moment.

Wichita, Kansas, February 17, 1943.

Henry Ware Allen

To The Editor of The Washington Evening Star:

The excuse of war necessity must not be permitted to introduce governmental measures which are grossly unjust and which violate our traditional form of government. One of these has been the regulation of rents which is of no advantage to the Government as a war measure, as a producer of revenue or as a preventative of inflation. It is nothing less than a sinister entering wedge of Communism, an experiment that has been tried in Russia and has been found wanting. Mr. Henderson has proudly asserted that he has reduced rents to the extent of a billion dollars. But this was accomplished by robbing one class of citizens for the enrichment of another class, class legislation of the rankest kind. A correspondent in Gaithersburg, Maryland seeks to justify this law by saying "This country is now run by those who pay rent." This law by its very nature is impossible of correction or fair execution and Congress should therefore provide for its repeal at the earliest possible time. Meanwhile it would be well for the Brain Trusters in Washington to study the story of wise old King Canute who demonstrated the inexorable working of natural law.

Wichita, Kansas. February 2, 1943, Henry Ware Allen.