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## CONSTITUTION ADOPTED BY FELLOWSHIP

### EXCEPTIONAL PROGRAM ARRANGED FOR JUNE MEETING

An exceptionally fine program has been arranged for the regular monthly meeting of the Fellowship to be held Tuesday, June 9th, at 8:00 P.M., 167 W. Washington St. (Second Floor, Washington Cafeteria).

Max Korshak, master-in-chancery of the Circuit Court, who was unable to be present at our last meeting, will give his interesting talk on "Mexican and Russian Similarities". Mr. Korshak will discuss the oppression of the masses in Mexico, the church crisis, and the economic measures adopted by both countries, raising the question as to whether Mexico is following in the footsteps of Russia. In connection with this talk, Mr. Korshak will exhibit moving pictures of Mexico, which are unusual, showing life in the large cities and rural communities, ancient pyramids, churches, floating gardens, and a good old fashioned bull fight.

Before Mr. Korshak's talk, a short business meeting will be held, and plans will be discussed for the formation of the Fall classes in the YMCAs all over the city. A feature of the business session will be a ten minute symposium, on the subject "Who Should Pay For Flood Control Projects?" led by O. C. Hall and Sam Levin. Mr. Hall will contend that they should be paid for by the local landlords, while Mr. Levin will advocate that the payment should be by the United States government. The reasons given should prove of great interest, and the discussion following the speakers should be quite heated.

All the members are urged to attend this meeting. If you don't, you will have only yourself to blame for missing an enjoyable evening. The officers are working hard to make the Fellowship a live organization, and with the cooperation of the members, there is no doubt that it will become one of the outstanding organizations in the country.

### YMCA CLASSES OFF TO GOOD START

More than twenty-five students are taking the courses of the SCHOOL at the Sears-Roebuck Y, and Lincoln-Belmont Y, inaugurated April 28th and 29th.

### FUTURE PLANS MADE

At an enthusiastic meeting of the Fellowship, held May 19th, at the Washington Cafeteria, the members present, after a great deal of intelligent discussion and voting, adopted a Constitution and By-Laws, to be used as a basis for welding a strong organization, to further our Movement.

A Constitution was presented by Sam Levin on behalf of the Constitutional Committee, consisting of himself, Carroll Bardon and Willis Shipley.

The members using this Constitution as a basis, formed the instrument that was finally approved.

Some of the principal features of the Constitution are as follows:

1. Membership in the Fellowship confined to graduates only.
2. Three types of membership, Associate, Active and Sustaining. Associate pays \$1.00 per year, Active, 25 cents per month and Sustaining, \$1.00 per month. All members have a right to vote and hold office.
3. The Council which governs the Fellowship will consist of eleven officers and nine others; their duties being carefully defined.
4. Meetings of the Fellowship will be held on the second Tuesday of each month, throughout the year.
5. Liberal provisions make it possible to recall any officer unfit to hold office; and to amend the Constitution whenever the membership deems necessary.
6. No officer will be able to make alliances with other groups, without the consent of the membership.

All in all the Constitution is a work the members should feel proud of. While containing important restrictions and definitions, it is constructed very liberally, so that it will not interfere with the progress of the Movement.

After the adoption of the Constitution, the floor was opened by President Hillman, for general discussion. Arrangements were made for the next meeting to be held June 9th. It was agreed

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## THE VOICE

(Editor's Note: With this issue we inaugurate this new feature, wherein our readers can have their say-so. Is there anything on your chest? Send it to THE VOICE. Some idea you may have might be of great value to the movement. Let's hear from you!)

There is an active drive and campaign going on in Chicago for support from the public on the question of a "City Management" form of city Government for Chicago. This movement in the writer's opinion should be given active support, for it has proven itself superior to the type of politics we know and suffer under at present. Its success can be vouched for by cities like Cincinnati, Cleveland, Wichita, Kans., etc. Its merits do not have to be told here, nor debated, for anyone who may be interested can get the history.

It is not that I am asking as an organization we get into politics; far from that and heaven forbid, but that we maintain a policy of education and enlightenment for the guidance of others. That as individuals we make ourselves felt, that wrong may be righted, that there shall be no more denial, and that we may have justice and not charity thru a just tax system.

—Joseph Romeo

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to request Hon. Max Korshak, who was unable to be present at the meeting to give his lecture, and show his private films on Mexico, at the June meeting. Details of this meeting will be found elsewhere in the paper.

Joseph Perlman, was named Chairman of the Research Committee, by our president, and empowered to select two others to serve with him on this committee. A committee on Education and Entertainment for the Fellowship meetings was suggested by Sam Levin, and our president immediately appointed Mr. Levin as chairman of the committee. Acting on a suggestion made by O. C. Hall, a short discussion was arranged by Mr. Levin, for the June meeting, to be led by Mr. Hall on the question "Who should pay for Flood Control Projects?"

Plans were discussed for organizing the many Fall classes throughout the city to be held in the various YMCA's. Mr. Romeo suggested that all the members do everything possible to secure lists of active organizations, such as church groups, fraternities, sororities, forums, clubs and the like. It is very important that these lists are obtained by the members, as there is a need for about ten thousand names to be used in circularizing for the Fall classes.

Mr. Kurzweil, stressed the importance of every member speaking personally to their friends and urging them to attend the classes. It was the unanimous opinion of the members present, that personal contact was the most effective way of getting students, and that everyone should redouble their efforts in getting their friends to take the course.

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It was agreed to invite members of the classes now in progress, to the June meeting, so that they could take advantage of the exceptional program being arranged. If you were one of the members who missed this meeting, be sure to put a circle around June 9th on your calendar.

### CARRY ON WITH ALL OUR POWER!

By John F. Walsh

We must appease our "hunger" — TODAY!

And so with the graduate student, he possesses a restless urge or "hunger" to tell others the truths, of "Progress and Poverty" by Henry George, that will raise humanity to a higher plane. Truth in the soul must express itself. It is the law of life. The only form of man without energy — LIFE — is a corpse. No one of our graduates is such — the graduate has a desire to see men FREE.

Possessing the calmness and serenity of Truth only indicates that truth has been made evident to you; you must likewise possess fervor, interest, impetus, and awareness in order to become a real guiding force to save humanity from injustice, as was Henry George.

"Know the Truth, and the truth shall set you free".

Now! There is a potency in the air — it is still free! However, the "living dead" are still with us! The wage slave! The black and the white together. The distinction being that the black has arisen to a stage of "FREEDOM" from a chattel level, whereas, the white has fallen from "high estate" to a practical lower than chattel plane, and this mind you despite the preamble to the Constitution, and the Declaration of Independence.

Liberty — Equality — Fraternity, bow their heads in shame.

Again note: All this in spite of the fact that we had as a nation arisen from the soil of revolution, out of the bondage of "Taxation without Representation".

We have permitted the Sword of Right to become tarnished.

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Civil right violations are on every hand. Justice stands: A pair of blackened eyes, a broken rusted sword, "loaded" scales, and the "Crown of Liberty" fallen from her bowed and weary head into the mire of "special privilege".

This is quite apparent to any student of Henry George who anticipated and proclaimed these facts and prognostications to the world in "Progress and Poverty". The day of reckoning is at hand!

The inexorable Will of God - Truth shall prevail.

In Truth man is free.

The pursuit of truth is a continuous process in which one follows no man, creed, belief, superstition, nor "traditional authority". On this self(ish) quest (not selfishness) one obtains to liberation - becomes FREE.

Only a FREE man can destroy the limitations that oppose his desires.

But, having attained to truth he knows that he is free, and that as an individual, fired with interest, zeal, and fervor, he must exert himself on the road of progress to FREEDOM. All that one has to do is to realize that worries, insecurity, crime, degradation lie in limitation, and that Henry George has pointed out to one the barrier to desires attainment - LAND RENT. One must become right purposeful to destroy the limitations. We must do everything in our power to do so!

#### CITIES ON SCHOOL MAP TOTAL 73

NEW YORK (HGNS)--Classes of the Henry George School of Social Science are now being held, or will definitely start soon, in 73 cities throughout the world, John Lawrence Monroe, field director of the School, said in a report here today.

"This makes a total of 141 classes with 2,920 students enrolled up to March 1, 1936," Mr. Monroe stated. "Forty-seven new cities had classes this year, which is more than twice the total of the previous two years."

Four new cities are definitely to start classes as soon as possible, Mr. Monroe revealed. This phase of the campaign has developed since April 1. The cities are Melbourne, Australia, under P. J. Markham and a group of associates; Elkins Park, Pa., under S. N. Selman; Benld, Ill., under Joseph Silipisni; and Jerome, Ariz., under Frank E. Jordan.

"The start that has been made is but a preliminary to the drive we must make to obtain 10,000 enrollments in the next school year," Mr. Monroe declared.

#### CAPITAL CLASS CLOSES

WASHINGTON, D.C. (HGNS)--A dinner at the Hotel Gordon was held recently by the first class to graduate from the basic course of the Washington Extension of the Henry George School of Social Science. Mrs. Elizabeth Phillips was the instructor.

Representative Charles R. Eckert, in the principal address, expressed the belief that the time was propitious "for a wider understanding

and acceptance of Henry George's scientific solution of economic disorders which otherwise seem incapable of real and permanent improvement." In appreciation, the students presented a briefcase to Mrs. Phillips.

#### BUSINESS MAN'S NIGHTMARE (An article about cutting costs) By Samuel L. Levin

So you say you're a business man ... Well, why are you in business?

You're probably staring at me as if I'd taken leave of my senses; you're snorting out the self-evident answer: "To make money, of course! What else did you imagine, sap?"

Now the surprising thing is, I'm not a sap for asking the question. Nor more of a sap than is the Government economist who recently patted you on the back, and told you: "There, there, be a good fellow, now. Only big, bad wolves are in business to make money. We think you ought to pay higher than prevailing wages."

Well, NRA flopped; you, Mr. Employer, went back to wage-cutting; and now you and the Government growl and snap at each other, and each of you claims the other is prolonging the depression...

Well, who or what is?

Is the Government right in demanding that industry raise wages?

Or are you industrialists truly and accurately diagnosing the situation? Is your program of cutting costs (exactly opposite the Government's) the correct solution?...

Let's look at a picture. A picture of every business in the world, from almond growing to zebra collecting. It's called a Balance Sheet; and in its most general form it looks like this:

OUTGO	INCOME
ADVERTISING	SALES
INSURANCE	
ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSE	
WAGES AND SALARIES	
SINKING FUND	
INTEREST (on buildings and equipment)	
MATERIALS	
TAXES	
GROUND RENT	

Along with every other business man you know, that as long as these two columns are of equal height - as long as income matches expenditures - you're breaking even. You're meeting expenses. You're just getting along.

But like every other business man worth his salt, you obey a drive to make profits.

This you can do in only two ways: (1) increase Income, or (2) decrease Outgo.

Well, you do both. You go in for installment selling, high pressure methods, low prices - for every conceivable method of raising that Sales

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column. You MUST!

Also, you try cutting Outgo... You must. That column has got to topple...

Unfortunately, there's a rub. This is the tremendous dilemma that every industrialist must face, continually: You must cut costs, yet you know it is unwise to cut costs!

As you've miserably pointed out time and again: What business man likes to reduce wages? Cancel insurance? Be miserly with advertising? Economize on sinking funds? Cut out necessary working equipment? All these expenses are the life of your business! To lop them is to lop your right arm. You want to keep increasing them (provided that Sales column keeps marching upward also); yet you must reduce them (because Sales have a nightmarish tendency to drop...).

Well, Mr. Industrialist, the Single Tax offers a solution to your eternal dilemma...

CUT OUT THAT ITEM TAXES COMPLETELY! COLLECT THE GROUND RENT!

The column topples! Costs come tumbling downwards, slashed to the bone! You have accomplished your purpose!

#### SCHOOL CAMPAIGN PROGRESS

As we go to press, additional pledges have been paid on our school campaign fund, to establish permanent headquarters. Have you paid your monthly pledge? If not, please send it in today, and thereby lighten the task of the committee. Your cooperation is needed. An up-to-date list of those helping in this important work will be listed in the next issue of the NEWS.

#### AMERICA'S YOUNGEST GEORGIST WINS PRIZE FOR ECONOMIC ESSAY

HOUSTON, TEXAS (HGNS)--Bill Beach Truehart, a student in the Houston-San Jacinto High School, has won honorable mention for an essay, "The Profit of the Earth - and the Depression", in a contest sponsored by the American Mercury, literary monthly of New York, The Houston Post announced.

Truehart, who is said to be the youngest Georgist in America, presents the case for tax reform on the basis of the social taxation of land values and free trade as an alternative to the experiments of the New Deal and its brain trust. Congratulations on behalf of the Henry George School of Social Science were sent him by John Lawrence Monroe, field director of the School, of which the student is an ardent supporter.

#### CONFERENCE MEMBERS ENROLLED

LONDON, ENGLAND (HGNS)--Enrollment of members for the fifth international conference of the International Union for Land Value Taxation and Free Trade, of which former Senator Charles O'Connor Hennessy of the United States is president, has begun, its press service announced. The membership fee is 10s. Ashley Mitchell, 94 Petty France, London, S.W.1, is honorary treasurer.

Previous conferences were: Ronda, Spain, 1913; Oxford, England, 1923; Copenhagen, Den-

mark, 1926; Edinburgh, Scotland, 1929.

#### PERMANENT HEADQUARTERS ESTABLISHED IN KANSAS CITY

KANSAS CITY, MO. (HGNS)--A permanent headquarters, office, and reading room has been established by the Kansas Extension of the Henry George School of Social Science. The headquarters will be open daily and classes can be held any hours of the day or night.

Edward White, pastor of the Third Liberal Church of Kansas and Extension Secretary for the School, arranged to rent quarters in the Hall Building, 828 Walnut Street. The extension now has three classes in session, the last of which started on April 17.

#### SCHOOL RECEIVES GIFT

NEW YORK (HGNS)--A gift of office furniture to the Henry George School of Social Science was made by Walter Fairchild, New York lawyer and friend of the school.

The gift included a desk, a library table, three bookcases, and several pictures, one of which is a painting of Joseph Fels, founder of the Fels Fund which helped for many years in the promulgation of Henry George's social philosophy.

Formerly a faculty member of the school, Mr. Fairchild established a record of driving 80 miles all last winter to establish an extension of the school in Middletown, N. Y.

#### FAIRHOPE'S FIRST CLASS GRADUATED

FAIRHOPE, ALA. (HGNS)--The Henry George School of Social Science here, R. L. Rockwell, instructor, has held the graduation of its first class in fundamental economics and social philosophy.

Because of the early produce harvest, Mr. Rockwell is uncertain when the next class will begin its studies. The enclave of economic rent at Fairhope was begun in 1896 by E. B. Gaston, now editor of The Fairhope Courier, and has, in spite of its small size, been functioning successfully ever since.

#### SEEK CONGRESS FOR CINCINNATI

CINCINNATI, OHIO (HGNS)--An effort is being made by Cincinnati Georgists to bring the 1936 Henry George Congress to this city. Rabbi Michael Aaronsohn is a leader in the move.

He pointed out that the Georgist program of land-value taxation is a live issue here.

"Cincinnati is an ideal location" he said. "It is just a few miles from the center of population, and has many advantages to offer."

#### GEORGIST TO PUBLISH TORONTO PAPER

TORONTO, CANADA (HGNS)--A monthly newspaper of general circulation but allied to the Georgist movement is to be published shortly by Richard F. Choate of 279 Woburn Avenue, Toronto, formerly an editorial writer on the staff of The Toronto Globe. Mr. Choate is a member of the Single Tax Association of Canada. The paper, to be called "Terra Firma", will be "highbrow" in tone, and is to be of general interest.