

Our Mail Bag

Editor of the Great Adventure:

This is a time when every red-blooded follower of Henry George should do his best to keep the Single Tax movement from falling into the hands of the Great American Pull Back Party. Let us do all we can and give all we can at this critical time.

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EDWARD EVERETT HALE

I am only ONE

But still I AM one

I cannot do EVERYTHING

But still I can do SOMETHING

And because I cannot do EVERYTHING

I will not REFUSE to do the SOMETHING that I CAN do.

Dependent Exemptions

Tax Collector (to claimant for exemption)—You say you have three dependents. Is that all?

Applicant—Well, you might add the landlord. I practically support him.—From Life.

The reserved right of the people to the rental value of land must be construed as a condition to every deed.—Justice Miller, U. S. Supreme Court (1887).

'Tis a slow and tedious journey to freedom's holy light,
And the trail is marked by heroes who have fallen in the fight.
But the spirits of those heroes are unconquered when they die
And they prove an inspiration to their comrades passing by.



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The object of this publication is to abolish every tax now levied on the people of the United States and collect the entire rent of land for Federal, State and local expenses. The rent of land belongs to the people, not the landlords.

NO SURRENDER!

THE GREAT ADVENTURE LEAGUE has been asked to abandon its program of placing the Single Tax question before the voters of California this year. In answer the League has adopted the following resolutions, which are self-explanatory:

RESOLUTIONS

WHEREAS, The Los Angeles Single Tax League has asked the Great Adventure League not to conduct a campaign for Single Tax in California this year;

WHEREAS, The Los Angeles Single Tax League, through its manager, George A. Briggs, notified the Great Adventure League February 13, 1922, of its intention to issue a statement announcing that there will be no campaign this year;

WHEREAS, The reasons given for such action were that contributors to Single Tax work are unable to finance a campaign, and further that another campaign will endanger the initiative;

WHEREAS, The Great Adventure League believes that a campaign can be financed by the rank and file of Single Tax adherents throughout America;

WHEREAS, It is our belief that unless it can be used by the people, the California initiative is a snare and a delusion; that if the initiative is something only to be framed on the wall and admired it had better be repealed;

WHEREAS, The Anti-Single Tax League was overwhelmingly defeated in its attempt in 1920 to nullify the initiative and would be more heavily defeated again;

WHEREAS, It is the earnest conviction of the Great Adventure League that there never was a time so fraught with promise

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for the cause of Henry George as now; that there never was a time since the appearance of Progress and Poverty when the world was so sorely in need of the message of emancipation it contains;

WHEREAS, This conclusion is based on the following well-known conditions of fact, viz:

That there are in California, as in other States of the Union, vast multitudes of men walking the streets vainly looking for work;

That this condition has grown so critical and so menacing that legislative bodies have been compelled to recognize it and organized charities are appalled by the immensity of the want and suffering in every city and hamlet of California;

That young men who served in the army and navy, as well as men of mature years, are unable to find means to earn an honest dollar and must beg for bread if they eat at all;

That municipal woodyards and organizations like the Salvation Army cannot relieve but a fraction of the misery and distress of hungry thousands; that men of families who are given an isolated day's work have in many cases fainted of hunger on the job, saving the few pennies needed for the noon-day meal for starving families at home.

That wives of these men are without food and proper shelter, living in hovels, unable to obtain nourishment even during the critical period of maternity;

That helpless children cry out for food when fathers and mothers strive vainly to give it to them; that babies are without milk, and older children must remain out of school or go to their school room;

That thousands of young girls have been thrown out of work in department stores and offices and are forced in surprising numbers to go into the streets and sell their bodies for food;

That families visited by sickness are unable to hire medical attention or to purchase fuel or food;

That these conditions exist in the richest State in the American Union, where there are millions of acres of idle land held out of use by great corporations that would yield an abundance to all if opened to those who would eagerly use them;

WHEREAS, There lived in California forty years ago a man whom they called the Prophet of San Francisco, the author of Progress and Poverty, a beacon light for those who would seek the solution for involuntary poverty;

WHEREAS, The Great Adventure League received its inspiration and birth in the conviction of its late president, Luke North,

that idle acres and idle hands must be abolished quickly, without waiting for an indefinite time in the future;

WHEREAS, The whole world is hungering for the solution presented by Henry George, eager to hear his slogan that the land belongs to the people, that there can be no solution of poverty and human woe so long as three per cent of the people hold title to all the earth from which everyone must take sustenance or perish;

WHEREAS, Swift-moving events in every country are eloquently proclaiming the accuracy of the prophecies of Henry George today, that a civilization based on human slavery through land monopoly must fall to the ground;

WHEREAS, There is in the United States today a situation fraught with great moment to everyone, approaching in analogy the conditions during the days of Wendell Phillips and William Lloyd Garrison at the inception of the abolition movement;

WHEREAS, Previous campaigns in California have educated the mass of the people more fully than anywhere else in the world to the importance of the land question, a live issue in the arena of politics, with more than 200,000 voting adherents; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Great Adventure League believes that to abandon the cause of Henry George now would be a betrayal of trust; that if the Prophet of San Francisco were alive today he would be first to raise the banner of emancipation anew, never resting until the Creator's rich storehouse, the earth, had been restored to the disinherited;

RESOLVED, That the Great Adventure League, believing in the righteousness of its cause and the timeliness of its appeal, will make every sacrifice to heed the cry of the needy, the jobless thousands, the hungry women and children and will not abandon them so long as it can offer a cure for the curse that encompasses them;

RESOLVED, That we appeal to the country to support us in this endeavor that we may wage a triumphant campaign in California immediately.

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