

April 5th, 1943

Mr. Henry Ware Allen
121 North Roosevelt Avenue
Wichita, Kansas

Dear Mr. Allen:

I thank you for so kindly remembering my Birthday. It is nice to hear from you and to recall your many activities in the great work. We get to see and read your letters to the Editors from papers ranging all the way from Oscar Whitenach's page in the Denver Post to the New York Times.

I can appreciate how you must feel, being as you say, "so far removed from other Georgists". I wish you could be here at the school to get the inspiration that results from seeing the change that comes over a group of students when they begin to see the light. It is truly wonderful.

As the war advances, our work is becoming increasingly difficult. We have given up many of our young men teachers to the Service. Then the competition of so many free government classes takes students from us. So many people are busy on war projects that time cannot be spared for classroom study - plus the dimout which leaves our streets so dark that many people fear to come out at night excepting on the very busy streets. As a result of all this, our classroom attendance here at the Headquarters building has been greatly reduced. We are, however, starting more classes in the outlying residential sections and I am happy to say that our correspondence course enrollments are steadily increasing.

As to Land and Freedom, there have of course been several changes at the office since our good friend Joseph Dana Miller passed away. Charles Joseph Smith is now the sole owner, Robert Clancy of that office is now in the Service, and William Newcombe has taken over and is endeavoring to build up the Journal by giving it a wider reader interest scope. They are still depending upon a monthly grant from the Robert Schalkenbach Foundation and upon voluntary contributions, to make up the deficit.

Mr. Steele read your letter with interest and said he would be very happy to use one or two of the articles you enclosed with the letter. We are trying hard to improve the Freeman with each issue, but doubt that it will become a Weekly for some time. I want you to know that I appreciate your good wishes for myself as well as for the progress of this, the most important of all forward movements.

Sincerely,