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## —Everybody's Column—

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### Says U.S. Can Have Free Enterprise or State-Take-All

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We must all have the right to work, and provide the necessities of life and happiness. All that is required for full employment is to permit all able and willing to work at whatever employment is necessary to satisfy the desire of all people and this cannot be done by taking jobs from white workers and giving them to Negroes or vice versa.

But, you say, there are no jobs! Every person born into this world bring their own job and market with them, the job to produce the necessities to satisfy his desire which he and his dependents will consume.

And you say there is a surplus of wealth on the market at present, and with four to six million additional workers, what would we do with the product?

Henry George, our American-born political economist and advocate of free enterprise, and Karl Marx, author of communism, controlled enterprise, both recognized the surplus problem. Henry George called it surplus wealth. Karl Marx called it surplus value, the difference between what labor produced and what labor received as wages.

It is an economic fact that man satisfies his desire with least exertion. Hence the struggle for control of labor, mental and physical which produces all wealth, the result surplus.

Here we must consider the effect of "natural law" and the effect of "man-made law" on

employment and distribution of wealth. Under "man-made law" the maker of the law wishes to keep as much as possible of what labor produces for his own use and profit by paying as small a wage as possible, the least taken as wages, from the total product the greater the surplus.

But, under "natural law" giving to each factor in the production of wealth its full proper share, there would be no surplus.

There are three factors in the production of wealth—land, capital and labor, mental and physical. Rent is the return for the use of land. Land without people has no value, but as people congregate on the land and bid for choice location, value begins and increases with population. The people in the community create the value of land and the community is entitled to the value they create and should be used for community support, instead of taxes.

Capital is wealth used in the production of more wealth. Tools, machines, shops, factories and other wealth used in the production of more wealth. Interest is the return for the use of capital, and is entitled to the interest it will bring in a free, open competitive market. After making all payments on land and capital, the remainder belong to labor as wages from the highest executive to the lowest paid worker, each receiving in accordance with their contribution to production, and you have a fair, just distribution of wealth and no surplus.

There are only two forms of government—"free enterprise," or "controlled enterprise—communism." What will our final answer be—free enterprise with freedom and justice, or communism and state-take-all. If we want to receive justice we must first render justice.

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