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THE SINGLE TAX AND WORLD FEDERATION.

The soundness of a scientific hypothesis is tested by every new condition that arises to which its principles may be applied. The philosophy of Henry George has met such tests with unvarying success so far as it has been possible to judge from its partial application under widely varying conditions. If the attempt is now made to form a League of Nations the question will arise as to whether the Single Tax theory provides any solution to the problems involved.

I believe that it offers the only solution since it alone of all political programmes attempts to define and to conform to, natural laws in accordance with which men must act if they would enjoy the blessings of prosperity and peace. Its central doctrine is the right of all men to equality of opportunity, and consequently the abolition of monopoly and privilege. As the only way to secure equality of opportunity, it demands freedom in the production and exchange of wealth. All artificial barriers between man and man fall before it. Instead of permitting the committees known as governments to decide how much money shall be spent, and the manner in which it shall be raised, the Single Tax would limit expenditure to income from the social product called rent.

Now, if the theory is correct, rent ought to provide not only for the needs of society in its local state and national divisions, but also in its most comprehensive form as a world federation. Without making the dogmatic assertion that a surplus above na-

tional needs is found wherever rent is properly computed, I would suggest the likelihood of such a surplus. Indeed the conviction that rent would provide a sum greater than the needs of government accounts for the class known as Single Taxers Limited who would take only a part of rent for public use for fear of tempting governments into extravagant and unnecessary expenditure.

With the formation of a United States of the World this fear would vanish and the surplus rent of each nation would form an appropriate contribution to the international budget. Critics of the theory that land values are made by the community have suggested with good reason that not only the immediate group but the outside world with which it deals must be taken into the final calculation. In admitting the force of this contention and providing for the fruitful co-operation of human society, the Single Tax theory reaches its logical fulfilment.

The gigantic war debts introduce an element of confusion into the discussion, but in confessing that rent is not likely to produce an amount large enough to meet current expenses and at the same time provide for interest payment and sinking fund, I may add that Single Taxers are not called upon to find a solution to a problem which could not arise under their system where expenditure is strictly limited to legitimate income.

FRANK W. GARRISON.

William Lloyd Garrison:—

"Next to a fort, arsenal, naval vessel, and military array I hate a custom-house—not because of the tax it imposed on the friendly Scotch gift, but as a matter of principle. I go for free trade and free intercommunication the world over, and deny the right of any body of men to erect geographical or national barriers in opposition to these natural, essential, and sacred rights."

LIFE, By his children v. 3. p. 179.

COMMENTS

BY NOREN

Members of Congress, whose want of services make them useless, are called MAWSH. The name comes from the initials of a true estimate of their value: "Might as well stay home." The Searchlight on Congress

two years ago identified the following Allegheny County members as Mawsh: John M. Morin, Stephen G. Porter, Andrew J. Barchfeld, William H. Coleman. A real congressman, M. Clyde Kelly has since taken "Mawsh." Coleman's seat but "Mawsh." Barchfeld has been replaced by double-"Mawsh" Campbell. The following congressmen at large were "Mawsh." Thomas S. Crago, M. M. Garland, John R. K. Scott. Of the 36 members from Pennsylvania, just three (3) escaped the classification "Might as well stay home." Here are the names and the true estimate of the noteworthy ones.

Warren Worth Bailey, Independent; active against preparedness.

John J. Casey, Independent; Labor leader.

J. Hampton Moore, Machine member; partisan politician.

It is a fair Pennsylvania average. We sent one man to represent the machine the monopolists control. Two men to represent the people of the state. Thirty-three to shame the state.

Our record in the House is much better than in the Senate, where the people of Pennsylvania have no representative. Penrose represents the Bell Telephone and Standard Oil, and Knox represents the Steel trust and the Pennsylvania Railroad.

The State: What crimes are committed in thy name by a coterie of brazen politicians!

Last year the Liberal (?) Democratic (?) government of England handed a fat juicy pie to the land lord tyrants of Britain. A committee appointed, and padded for the purpose, by the same government has recently recommended that the provision of this scandal, known as the Corn Production Act be made permanent.

As evidence that the Labor party over there needs a little housecleaning of its own it must be noted that the infamous report bore the endorsing signatures of a Labor party member. Here is the name of him who sold their fellow toilers to the lords: Right Hon. G. R. Roberts, M. P. I bet he is a friend of Compers.

In Tossy Turvy Land.

"The knowledge that he is coming back to a job, that the government does not intend to cast him adrift on the uncertain industrial world immediately following the war, stimulates

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and encourages the soldier even more
than a laudatory paragraph in his
home town newspaper."—From an
editorial in the Dial.

One would look in vain for anything
richer than the above. Notice how
the writer marshals the intentions of
the government and compares them
with and considers their value equal
to—"a laudatory paragraph in the
soldiers home town newspaper."

This comparison is a true estimate
of the value of present day statesman-
ship. Think of salary eating poli-
ticians casting workers adrift! Why
that would be the golden age. Then
workers would have plenty and the
shirkers would starve. Speed that
day. Why if Penrose and Knox and
Johnny Morin cut the workers adrift
we would break the saloons open,
quarantine or no quarantine, and cele-
brate six weeks without stopping. Can
you imagine an institution that takes
from the workers billions a year cast-
ing them adrift? What a calamity to
be adrift with billions of wealth all
your own and no one to rob you. Ah,
let's be cast adrift.

The Democratic party uses the form
of speech of Jefferson but every act
of that party proves it an enemy to
freedom. If Jefferson and Paine were
alive they would repudiate every act
of those who masquerade as demo-
crats under a false label. Any man
who loves freedom must first of all
free himself of the taint of Republi-
can and Democratic politics. No man

can for long cooperate with either and remain on the square.

From the Riverside (Cal.) Press:

The Honorable Leslie M. Shaw, former cabinet member, talked against the single tax, this afternoon at the opening of the program at the fair. Among his pointed arguments against the single taxers, he presented these few facts:

"Suppose amendment No. 19 adopted, will you loan any of your money on real estate thereafter? Will any one loan on real estate? Will real estate mortgages be renewed? Can they be collected? No!"

Amendment No. 19 will make it possible to have a home without first hunting a loan shark. Yes, Mr. Shaw, it will positively ruin your shark business. You have a very sensitive nose, Mr. Shaw.

"Beware of doing anything that will cut into the pay-roll of the United States. We all live, directly or indirectly, from the pay-roll."

Not all live from the pay-roll, Mr. Shaw. You lived from it a long time, it is true, but you are not so many. You and the rest of the payrollers don't quite equal the ninety-five millions who produce the coin for the payroll. Take a good look at yourself

before you swell up the next time.

"Our matchless domestic trade is but the natural and inevitable result of a wage scale peculiar to America, all of which has resulted from the policies and purposes established and consistently followed for the first 100 years of our glorious history. The determination to reverse all this dates back only about 20 years."

Yes, Amendment 19 will reverse the peculiar wage scale that gave the workers \$500 a year and the shirkers \$5,000. Twenty years determination will make your glorious history of millionaires and paupers look inglorious.

"Suppose the United States should detail to the people of Los Angeles the responsibility of building a submarine. You would select a representative to construct and, having made the selection, you would not give direction by referendum."

And they wouldn't give you the job either, Mr. Shaw. I would post them on what you did in that little job of yours when you squandered a dozen fortunes on a postoffice site that can't be used.

Free Traders thought they had a leader—but

"The removal, so far as possible, of

"The Way of Happiness"

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all economic barriers and the establishment of an equality of trade conditions among all the nations consenting to the peace and associating themselves for its maintenance."

From the President's speech to Congress on January 8, 1918.

When my free trade friends fell to and made the President's declaration their own by constantly repeating it, I uttered a solemn warning. I told them bluntly the President did not mean "the removal, so far as possible, of all economic barriers." True enough the words say so; but words in January and explanations in October vary somewhat, so they do.

In January free traders were sure "removal" meant removal, but in Oc-

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AFTER THE WAR.

When we have "beat the Kaiser" will we be any wiser
In the arts that make for righteousness and peace?
Will we show to all the world our Flag has been unfurled
To bring the reign of Plenty and make Poverty to cease?

Will we give to men the option—the right of free adoption
Of things which a fair Nature doth in affluence bestow?
And show to other nations—the near and dear relations—
That man must hold with Freedom—e'er he can with Progress grow?

Will we show them how to build in the shops of Nature's guild
With the tools of right and justice—according to God's plan
A brave strong upright being—in will and mind and feeling—
For what the world has waited long—a righteous Superman?

Will we strive to set the pace for a slothful human race
On course of world advancement—to the goal of Heart's Desire?
Will we teach the ways of peace, and bid all War-lords cease
Their deviltries—which oft have set—the world with hate—on fire?

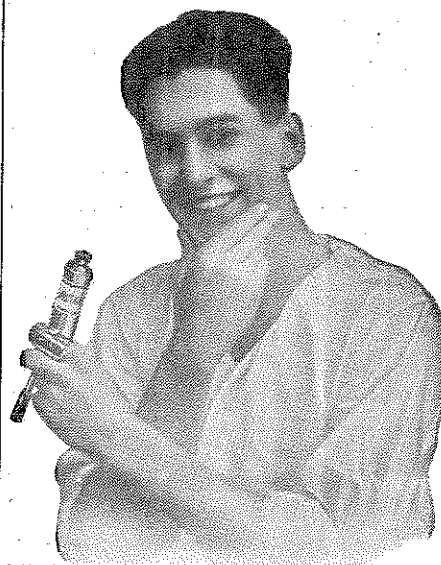
Will we say to those who toil, nevermore, our hands we'll soil
In taking toil of Capital or of Labor's rightful due?
In the future we will take values we together make,
Thus "doing unto others what you'd have them to us do."

Will we boldly take our stand for the right of all to land?
A "right" man has no power to give or justly take away
And make "common" all land rent, which long has been misspent,
And spend it on the people who create it day by day.

Will we proudly tell the story of our own dear "Old Glory?"
How the Angels sang with rapture when Freedom gave it birth?
And can not our dear old Bell—its story once more tell—
Proclaiming a "new" Liberty to inhabitants of earth?

Will our light be made to show in peaceful radiant glow
Beauty of the Peoples' Rule in a true democracy?
Where all land and human labor, sure of kind Nature's favor,
Will bring riches to the humblest—in the Government-to-be.

Oliver McKnight.



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tober the President puts them right, by informing them, "that, whatever tariff any Nation might deem necessary for its own economic service, be that tariff high or low, it should apply equally to all foreign Nations." In October removal means "equal." Any Nation may erect a barrier heaven high, so that no one can get over it, or so low that all can get over it. So long as all must stay out or all can get in equally, it isn't a barrier.

To save our free trade friends the painful mental effort of squaring January with October, the President ossifies them by the simple suggestion that, "to inject the bogey of free trade, which is not involved at all, is to attempt to divert the mind of the Nation from the broad and humane principle of a durable peace by introducing an internal question of quite another kind."

Now, gentlemen free traders, see what you have went and done! Won't you please quit furnishing Knox and Penrose and other protectionists with this free trade bogey that is diverting the mind of the Nation from the broad and humane principle of a durable peace?

And friends, if you must quote the President why don't you ask him to tell you what his words will mean nine months hence? It would save you many a headache.

Scanning the horizon for people deserving of recognition our statesman naturally passed over both Ireland and Finland to find the Czecho-Slovaks. Probably because the Irish weren't good, and conscripted, and the Germans were making a bluff at setting up a "stable" prince in Finland. And then again maybe there were other reasons.

SOLACE TO THE DEAD.

The President says the tariff is "an internal question." What a comfort that would have been to Hancock, of "the tariff is a local question" fame, if only Hancock hadn't been dead.

With less peace in Russia we would have more peace in Wall street. Strange is it not?

Oh, Mr. President, won't you be fair for once, and get Debs out and put Roosevelt in.

The Wilson way of having Burleson suppress the liberal press to get liberal votes for liberal (?) policies didn't work out right it seems.

If the candidate hedges on Single Tax he is not a democrat. If he hesitates about declaring for free trade regardless of what any other nation does or does not, he is not a democrat. If he is not actively and openly for woman suffrage he is not a democrat.

If he falters on any of these tests he is unfit for a legislative office.

If you do not apply these tests mercilessly to any man seeking public office of a legislative nature, you will get a government corrupted by monopoly and you will deserve it.

During the past week agricultural land has been sold at the rate of £50 an acre, more than double the previous price. The price of Agricultural Land is rising every week. * * If land prices are not fixed * * they will rise to such heights that it will become impossible to settle discharged soldiers and sailors upon the land with any hope that they will ever see a fair return for their skill and labour.—Weekly Dispatch, (England), July 14, 1918.

That shows how the land-owning nobility of England is already capitalizing the victory, which is indeed a victory for them if they succeed in placing new burdens of increased rents on the soldiers that come back alive. Leave it to the lords, they are past-masters in the art of stealing.

INNOCENT PETER

"We are giving a lunch for the Belgians."

Said Mrs. Peter to Pete:

"How nice," said the innocent Peter, "And what will the Belgians eat?"

"Why we eat the lunch for the Belgians!"

Just salad and Liberty Bread
And fish and meat and coffee,
And only a dollar a head!"

"Oh, my dear," said the innocent Peter,

"I've a plan that your dames would adore.

They'd have jammed it through in a jiffy,

If they only had thought it before.

"Let them take all their luncheon money,

(For this is a whale of a hunch:)

And send it straight to the Belgians,
So the Belgians can eat their own lunch!"

—Helen A. Salz in The Liberator.

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Respectfully yours,

(Signed) JAMES G. MAGUIRE,

445 Cole St., San Francisco, Calif.

In an earlier letter (July 11) after drinking part of the first two gallons, Judge Maguire wrote, in part: "It has a positive and most encouraging effect on the kidneys. It has given me the first ray of hope which has come to me of a complete cure, for my doctor (one of the best in San Francisco), has been of the opinion that my trouble was incurable."

Judge Maguire was born in 1853; was Judge of the Superior Court of San Francisco, 1882 to 1888, and Congressman, 1892 to 1898, and was one of the earliest and ablest of the friends of Henry George, author of Progress and Poverty, "Social Problems," "Land Questions," etc.

On August 15, Judge Maguire telegraphed permission to print these and said the improvement in his condition continues.

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