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Freedom!
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"Federal Taxation For Incentive Production and
Consumers", by J. Rupert Mason, President Emer-
itus, International League for Land Value Tax-
ation and Free Trade. Played at the Henry George
Foundation Conference, Pittsburgh-Nov. 24-25, 1959
(A tape recording-discussion-refreshments
at about 1914 prices-social hour; invite
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Private Property? Will We Live Well
or Die About It? Why Can I Say of a
thing - "This Is Mine?"

Senator Barry Goldwater, in Platform for
a Free America, Human Events, April 14,
said:

"The nature of things," I submit, is quite different. Government does not have an unlimited claim on the earnings of individuals. One of the foremost precepts of the natural law is man's right to the possession and the use of his property. And a man's earnings are his property as much as his land and the house in which he lives. Indeed, in the industrial age, his earnings are probably the most prevalent form of property."

The Senator fails scientifically and morally; as he gives land equality as, private property with a house and wages. THE SAME REASON WITH MAKING - does not apply to land; the title is a legal privilege only. How peace and prosperity would be helped if only the truth of why I can say of anything, "This is mine!" were to be made known to all.

This question needs to be raised in the home, in church, in school, as we walk and lunch, until understanding, and so opinions change to fact and moral truth.

Human Rights and Private Property

It is fashionable in certain quarters to say that human rights take precedence over private property rights. The inference being that human rights are one thing and private property rights another. Let us examine this concept and see if it is correct.

"Where we to ask ourselves the meaning of the word 'slave', would not our answer be: (a) A man whose body is not his own, but belongs to a master; (b) A man who has no human rights; (c) A man who has no property rights.

Now, if we ask ourselves, what is a 'free man', would not our answer be: (a)

A man who has a right to his own body; (b) Having a right to his own body, has a right to the mind in that body; (c) Having a right to his own body and his own mind, he has a right to the result of the labor of that body and that mind; properly; (d) This property being his, it is private property.

Wherefore, man, a human being, not a slave, possessing human rights, has a right to his private property. Without the right to private property there cannot be freedom and without freedom, there

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The Land Our God Has Given Us

"America's booming population, increased governmental expenditures, and the shift of taxation from land to buildings, consumption, and production is promoting the creation of a new generation of landed millionaires.

"The classified ads for raw acreage show that the big profits are not for small investors. For example, there is San Diego, a speculator's paradise because of the near-completion of a freeway from Los Angeles and of the gigantic Mission Bay recreational project by the U. S. Army Engineers. We read, "San Diego County, 320 acres, unlimited possibilities for future profit, priced at \$3500 per acre"; "San Diego County ranch for potential subdivision, 1000 acres, \$726,000."

"Or take Los Angeles' San Fernando Valley, the breeding grounds for countless unearned fortunes. "11 acre Northridge ranch, owner asking \$124,000 for quick sale; "12 acres near Remo-Wool ridge and Platt Ranch, 1300 Citrus trees, \$7300 an acre."

"The S. F. Bay area--2000 level acres, 33 minutes to Oakland, \$3000 per acre." Petersburg, Florida; A typical mile of land sold at a top price of \$122,500 per acre in 1947, \$930 in 1952, and \$3,500 an acre in 1957. Today the price is \$5000 an acre. Analyst, Calif. Henry George School Paper.

Take Your Life Worthwhile! 12-Aids

Read the story behind the now world-famous saying: "It is better to light one candle than to curse the darkness"; and, about the Christophers. Also read the 12-aids that can make your life worthwhile. The supporting data, each great religion can supply and those who believe can apply.

Five areas--1) government, 2) education, 3) labor relations, 4) literature, and 5) entertainment--are stressed by The Christophers; and, when you help the Henry George School, your work in the first three.

Who with such dedication to their faith, their fellowmen and country, can fail to grow--can miss a worthwhile life? See the March, 1960 Christopher Notes sent you with this issue. Let this inspire you as it has others--Catholics, Protestants and Jews--as it is intended to do.

Each day reflect on our School--and do something to aid the H. G. Movement.

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cannot be human rights. It follows, therefore, that human rights and private property rights are one and inseparable.

H. Ellenoff

The Challenge To Good Folks

"God is the Father of us all, and not the Stepmother of any of us."
"But the Father is table there is room for all His children."

God has made ample provision for the needs of all men during their residence upon earth, and that involuntary poverty is the result of human laws that allow individuals to hold as private property that which the Creator provided for the use of all.

"The crimes and the horrors of history are chiefly due to the forgetting of that great truth, because of the sordid passions of the few, who, being stronger of mind and swifter of foot and more cunning of brain, used their gifts to enslave and to rob their brethren."

From: Rebel, Priest and Prophet, by Stephen Bell (Biography-Father William).

The Great Robbery System Carried Over
". But the American Revolution was not a Revolution in the sense of the transfer of power from one class to another. The class seizing hold of the reins after the American Revolution had been won well knew that however that Revolution abolished certain forms and details, it did not touch something of far more enduring and incisive effect.

"The pillar left untouched was the long line of privileges and precedents established by a powerful feudal aristocracy and maintained by the courts since the reign of Richard II of England, and even before. These precedents had been established for the twofold purpose of justifying the maraudings, thefts and summary frauds by which the dukes, lords and barons had appropriated the British soil, and with the object of holding the working class in complete subjection. They were principles of law enunciated by judges put on the bench by those self-same pillagers; very often those judges were avowedly corrupt like Lord Bacon, who admitted taking bribes. . . The decisions of these judges were followed by the mercantile colonial judges; and presently we

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find the Supreme Court of the United States, when in need of precedents, going back to Lord Coke, Lord Bacon and such jurists."

From: History of the Supreme Court of the United States, by Gustavus Myers.

Economic Catechisms - C.B. Filebrown

Q. Would it not be confiscation so to increase the tax on land? A. What would be confiscated? No land would be taken, no right of occupancy, or use, or improve-ment, or sale, or devise; nothing would be taken that is conveyed or guaranteed by the title deed.

Q. But would it not be an injustice to the land owner? A. If it be an injustice to tax hard-earned incomes (wages) to maintain an unearned income (economic rent) that bears no tax burden, how can it be an injustice to stop doing so? There can be no injustice in taking for the benefit of the community the value that is created by the community.

Q. What is the lesson of the inevitable "Capitalization" of the land tax? A. It is an unfair discrimination in favor of the land owner can never be overcome until all taxes are paid out of ground rent; then all men will enjoy total exemption equally with the land owner.

Q. How could the land owner escape the alleged burden of an increase in his land tax? A. Simply by assuming the legitimate role of a model landlord, by putting his land to suitable use, in providing for tenants at lowest possible price the best accommodations and facilities appropriate to the situation that money can buy.

Something To Consider

I can't do everything - can't help all good causes. True! But isn't this often used as an excuse to do nothing at all? It could be used that way, couldn't it? Two thoughts: 1) Be selective; there are times when some areas are more vital and needful of help than others; and, 2) Do that which others are less likely to do, or do not know how to do but which you can do. One can shift when it is sure that others will then do what you now do.

"If every one would see

To his own reformation,

How very easily,
You might reform the Nation."

From: Self Help by Samuel Smiles

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Another OPEN HOUSE

***We'll We Live or Die Over
Wrong Ideas of Property?

***HTS GIVE TO ALL or to A Few?

*** 12 Aids to a
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