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## Dear Mildred:

Thank you for your very kind remarks on my recent article and the flattering confidence expressed with regard to the Directorship of the Henry George School. I, too, share your concern over the difficulty of filling Phil's shoes at the school. He was an extremely dynamic personality and, I believe, would have accomplished a great deal at the school had he had the time and support of the Board.

Although I must tell you that the future of the school's program can best be guided by someone with a greater understanding of Henry George's philosophy and Oscar Geiger's vision than I could hope to offer, I will do all I can to ensure the program in Philadelphia continues to grow and achieve greater successes. In my view, the school in New York could only benefit from the type of leadership provided by George Collins in Philadelphia. I have come to understand many of the problems George experienced because of the dissention within the movement during the late 1960s and early 1970s. Yet he managed to sustain a continuing educational program and to surround himself with a remarkable number of dedicated new "Georgists" (myself included).

I am hopeful the 1980s will be a time of blossoming for the Georgist movement and for the Henry George School, in particular. A strong teacher training program is needed in order to adequately prepare individuals for possible new branch locations. This will require new sources of funding and new commitments on the part of those who care. There are certainly others within the movement

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who possess the necessary qualifications to take on this important responsibility. Among them, in my opinion, would also be Steven Cord.

Dedicated and qualified leadership is certainly essential; however, most important is a well-designed and well-funded program designed to reach both those who are destined for academia and those who must struggle through life's more mundane occupations. Quite simply, the task is enormous and all of us must unite together if we are to succeed.

Again, many thanks for your expression of confidence. I look forward to seeing you again soon either in New York or perhaps sometime in Philadelphia or at the School of Living.

Best personal regards.

Very truly yours,

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Dear Ed Dodson

I've just read the excellent paper in The Gr. Phil Economist. I'll di tribute it widely, and hope somehow you can be involved in our stirring land-value tax into York's Pa's policies.

Also, could you see your way to head up the NY George School? We're all saddened by Phil's laving, and trust the School find s a young, intelligent, stable person to carry on.

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