

*Dear Mr. Hennessy,
 Just to bring you
 up to date with us
 at 211 W. 79th.
 I write this in
 response to your letter
 about the dinner, and I
 know you will be
 equally interested.
 Kindest regards to
 you and your family.
 H. W. D.*

540 Argyle Rd.
 Brooklyn, N. Y.
 February 5, 1935

Ans 4/10/35

Mr. Charles O'Connor Hennessy
 Cocoa House
 Cocoa, Florida

Dear Mr. Hennessy,

Thank you for the little note of January 28th. I am glad to know that Mrs. Hennessy is steadily improving in health and I hope you are enjoying the sunshine with her.

I am very glad to be able to tell you that the school dinner-party was in every way, I believe, a very happy and worthwhile occasion. I said "every way," but am sorry to say that Mr. Fowles had to save himself for his speech by resting in the lounge, where I found him with beads of perspiration on his brow due to some gall bladder trouble. He has had frequent days of absence since Thanksgiving, giving some of us cause for real anxiety.

But now to return to the gathering in honor of the classes completing "Progress and Poverty." There were one hundred and twenty-two present in the Old Kentucky Restaurant, 15 E. 45th Street, which was our place of meeting this time.

Mrs. de Mille presided, and introduced the speakers, in turn, as follows:--

- Mr. Henry George Atkinson--The Work of the Schalkenbach Foundation.
- Mr. Fairchild--The Link with the Colleges.
- Mr. Lebuscher--Address--Topic unassigned.
- Miss Ami Hall Hicks--(for Mr. Bolton Hall)--Building up the School Library.
- Mr. Fowles--The School and its Activities.
- Mr. Dorn--Introducing the Students, who spoke in turn as was done in June.

Some of these student speeches were again remarkable, notably so those of Mr. Marcellus, Mr. Donovan, Mr. Gurn, and Mr. Christianson. I prophesy we shall hear good things of these new adherents later as regards the movement. Mr. Christianson can be seen, through these two little remarks he made. His little son asked, "Well, Daddy, when are you going to begin to do something about it?" and Daddy answered, "I'm trying now to enthrall you, sonny." Again he said he had not realized how people were coming to regard him in his business place till someone greeted him thus, "Well, how's Henry George today?"

It had been arranged that I should speak on the Fellowship, touching also on the Teaching Manual and the work of John Lawrence Monroe. I enclose this address, as I had an extra copy made for you and Mr. Monroe.

After this, Mr. Ross who has been at work lately with Walter Hampton, gave the magnificent passage on "Liberty" from "Progress and Poverty," with power and conviction--for he is a Georgist, as well as an actor of talent.

The guests were in no hurry to leave as this all came to an end at 10:30 or so,--many staying on for another half hour.

I wish to close this letter by adding a few words from a note--since the dinner--from an artist friend of mine, Mrs. Louis C. Bliss, who took the course this fall, with Mr. Bell. "Just a hasty word to tell you what an inspiration the dinner was to me. I find myself constantly telling people about Henry George, but feel that no one's mind is open to the message, because of long years of false reasoning.

"I realize that to me it is the essence of all I have read since my sixteenth year--beautifully and logically told to its completion. I assure you I mean to do all I can to promote more knowledge.

"Thank you so much for having led me to such wonderful logic and goodness. Mr. and Mrs. D----- were delightful (dinner) companions but after the really fine speeches, I forgot human beings and thought only of the cause.

You can judge how glad I was to receive this letter, knowing that many feel, where one is able to put feeling into words!

I cannot help but say that I hope continued financial support will be forthcoming this Spring for the School. That will be one of the great needs in the months ahead.

I am trusting that this need may soon be made so evident through Mr. Monroe's work and words that no really grave anxiety need be felt, once he is actually following up the letter you have planned to send out on behalf of the Fellowship and the School.

With very best wishes to you and Mrs. Hennessy, I am

Faithfully yours,

Helen D. Denbigh

FURTHER THOUGHTS ON THE FELLOWSHIP:--

As we know, the plans of the Fellowship are yet in the making, but I personally am becoming clearer as to the desirability of having it a Fraternity with a growing membership made up of students actually studying together, with the help of a teacher using the Manual. I begin to think that it may be best to assume that all will belong to the Fellowship unless they definitely decide that they are not yet ready to join at the end of the ninth lesson--opportunity being presented as suggested in the Manual at the end of the eighth lesson.

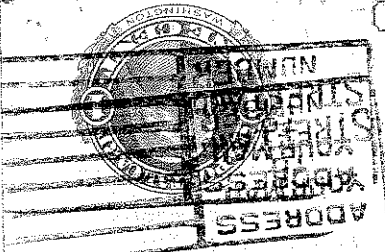
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Feb. 7th

H.W.

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Mr. J. H. Lawrence



my writing as I would. I must
 say however, how interesting I found
 your discovery of the fallow fields
 of the business schools. I think
 you are right, in every count, and
 I trust we shall go far in these
 directions. There's hardly a town
 without its opportunity to use class-
 space and equipment, and a frequent
 turn-over of the human element, speed-
 ing for a field in its turn. Do you like

Peter White

There are 9 classes at 211 W. 79. March 9, 1935

Dear J. L. M.

That's how I refer to you in letters,
so I'll use it now. I was delighted
this morning to hear your good news
about Toledo, Detroit and Cedar Springs.
Nothing thrills me more with hope leap-
ing forward than news like this, and
your growing confidence in the response
of youth to this program of sanity and
justice.

You'll be glad to know that a
new class - the first in Brooklyn, is
now underway in the
Executive Secretarial School
- leader, Mr. John Lupton.

Miss Darling offered us
her class room
when you were here. Mr. Miller, Mr. Smith,
Mrs. Burger and I attended the first even-
ing.

You and your work are constantly
in mind, even though the pressing
nature of my own work with its
many human-need problems prevents



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