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SAINT LOUIS & KANSAS CITY GEOGRISTS
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Last year Robert Berveiler, former Saint Louisian and Ritenour (Overland) High School graduate, started the Kansas City Extension of the Henry George School, as a volunteer. Now we are to hold the first Missouri Conference, have fire fellowship and a good time, and learn more about how to serve.

SPEAKERS: Dr. Pinkney C. Walker, head of the Economics Dept., and Prof. M. Mason Gaffney, instructor in Agricultural Economics and author of the famous "Urban Sprawl" article in the 1958 U. S. Dept. of Agriculture Year Book, both of the Univ. of Mo. Suggested subjects: Dr. Walker: "Today's Problems and How Land Value Taxation Would Help Solve Them; Prof. Gaffney: "Californias Rural and Urban Conservation Problems - Typical of Many States Today".

Dinner: 1:00 P.M. and addresses - to 3:00 p.m. (Note-Columbia is on Standard time - our clocks one hour faster). Intermission: Discussion of School and How Individuals Can Help - 3 to 5:30 or 6:00 P.M.)

Cost of Dinner, including tips and registration: \$2.50 per person. Reservations in advance.. by May 13th, if possible. (Distance to Columbia from St. Louis -125 miles)

Transportation: If you will take your car let us know how many you can take with you. If you want to go, but need a ride, let us know. We will try to work out the best pick-up and re-delivery-to-your-home contacts. Please call the School -Garfield 1-5630 on this. If the School Director does not, himself, answer then leave a message that you: (1) Will take your car and can take so many; or, (2) that you wish a ride. Leave your number. (Let's encourage our K.C. friends)

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EVIDENCE in New Zealand

The Public Revenue Education Council reproduced for use of students of economic science, govt. finance and policy, and public officials and for citizens, "EVIDENCES of The New Zealand League for the Taxation of Land Values(Inc)", as presented by Roland O'Regan, F.R.C.S., to the ROYAL COMMISSION on Local Authority Finance."

This New Zealand report is of challenging importance. In New Zealand only property owners can vote to change from an improvement and land based tax, to exclusive land value taxation. A majority of New Zealand communities have elected to use this system, and each year the number increases. Tax figures show that from 80 to 90 per cent of home owners save under this system and this makes it grow.

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Economic Catechism-F.B. Filibrown(Cont)

Q. What should be the limit of revenue under the Single Tax?

A. The same as under any other system of taxation, the cost of government economically administered.

Q. What is meant by land value?

A. Land value, in its usual sense, means the selling or market value of land-its net value to the purchaser--the value supposed to be adopted by the assessors as the basis of taxation.

Q. Does this mean the site value or the natural fertility value of land or both?

A. Chiefly the site value.

Q. What is site value?

A. Site value of land is the value of the legal "rights and privileges thereto pertaining," as specified in every deed of land conveyance, the value of proximity to the advantages of industrial, economic, social, political and other activities, an artificial socially created value in trade, commerce and communication with the world. (Continued, next issue)

A Beam of Light Comes Through in the new edition of the AFL-CIO new handbook on "State and Local Taxes" - on problems and solutions. "The property tax has the merit that it constitutes an independent source of revenue that can be applied with fair facility by municipalities. As compared with the sales tax, for instance, it has the further advantage that it includes land values in its base. Land is a gift of nature and its value is largely the product of population growth and community development. For this reason, Henry George advocated land taxation to the exclusion of all other taxes. One need not go to this extreme to recognize an element of truth in his doctrine."

Just how 'extreme' is it to recognize land as a "gift of nature" and the land value tax no burden on labor or owners of capital; that we should protect wages from taxation until full rent-of-land is first taken to support government? How long will labor tax-experts be so 'extreme' in failing to recognize that only basic choice is not which taxes (pumps) we should use, but which source, RENT-of-land, or the rewards of labor, should we use, or use first? An 'element' of truth? Not an element - but a most basic fact for labor. A beam of light now-a great one if we keep pointing out our basic truths.

AND IT CAME TO PASS -- Jamaica now taxes land values. It seems that one of faith and work took time to write letters to a paper in Jamaica on L.V.T., and hit pay-dirt. Leaders and people took note and the "taxation of land values were applied, initially, in the parishes of St. Catherine and St. Ann. As the land valuation is completed, further districts will go over to the land value system."

From: Land & Liberty-April 1959. (A fine monthly magazine-\$1.00. Order from the School.) 1 Year-12 issues -\$1.00 (Faith and work; support the School)

Thomas Grant, former Janitor, Federal

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