

OLD TIMERS —

And others who think that "Progress and Poverty" is TOPS

Are asked to donate somewhat more than 25¢ for this book, for this is the cost to us for the book, envelope and postage. This Society is financed by voluntary donations and it would be fine if you donated a dollar or even more, for the book is worth it as a supplement to "Progress and Poverty." We could have made the book a 48 page affair with cloth cover—similar to volume on "Relativity" by Sir Oliver Lodge which sells for a dollar. But we chose the cheaper form because we could not afford to try to market a dollar book, and we prefer to put out numerous copies for wider circulation. We hope to get our publication money back so as to print another edition and eventually get a copy of the book into every college library in the land for the benefit of research students—for the New Political Economy is really new and quite stunning to many, if not most people. "Progress and Poverty" and "The Science of Political Economy" as well as the other books by Henry George have been ignored by the schools so that we are willing to try to get more information scattered around for those "possible" students and scholars who ought to appear as the years go by. Make your contribution as liberal as your means and enthusiasm allow.

Academic Freedom!

The urge that made us put out our book just now is the fact that a friend, with a Ph.D. degree, a professor of Economics in a mid-western college loses his job this June (1946) because he insists upon teaching the New Political Economy. Because it is thus "unhealthy" to be ahead of the times we do not publish the names of those who comment on this book.

In the years 1929 and '30 we were engaged to lecture in the Colleges and other educational institutions and in due course visited New York University at Washington Square, New York City, seeking a date for a lecture. We met Prof. Walter Spahr and he took us into his little office and proceeded to lambast Henry George and all his followers, in a not very nice manner. He also said that he would discharge any teacher (he had more than twenty-five instructors under him) who was a George man. This means that he would discharge any advocate of the New Political Economy—thereby destroying advancement of the science. We then wonder about academic freedom at N.Y.U. Where would the New Chemistry be if chemists could have been summarily discharged a century ago when chemistry was being revolutionized?—C.L.G.