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Mr. Daniel Kiefer,
Chairman, Provisional National
Singletax Committee,
Cincinnati, Ohio.

Dear Sir:

I do not know whether or not I have brains enough to understand the merits of the single tax principle. Somewhat as Artemus Ward was willing that his wife's relations should go to the war, I am more than willing that others should preach this gospel. My life has not left me much time for economic studies, and I do not feel impelled to take them up now. I should, therefore, prefer to take the position of a benevolent neutral, really in thought as well as in deed. The State of Massachusetts, as you doubtless know, has just adopted a new system of taxation which it is hoped will reach much property that has hitherto escaped, ^{and} that a larger revenue will result with a more equitable rate of taxation than has hitherto prevailed. It is my feeling that the single tax movement is likely to be of slow growth on sterile New England soil.

Yours very truly,

F. C. Shattuck