

Assess full ground rent, worldwide, for value received, ethical revenue, free land, surplus jobs, equal trades, natural order, infinite benefits, consensus government.

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A FREE MARKET - FREE PEOPLE

"He who cannot speak his thoughts is a slave." - Euripides

A free market starts with free access to the earth, on which all must live, and on which all wealth is produced. It is obtained by simple ethics - assessing, for public services, the full ground rent, a value created by nature, population and community development, without individual effort, absorbing the 'unearned increment' (unassessed rental value), capitalization of which - enhanced by speculation - constitutes sale price. This forces land into its best use, to pay the assessment, eliminating hoarding and speculative pricing, making all sites available at a nominal sale price, and an assessment representing their superiority over marginal land. (PROGRESS AND POVERTY) Equalizing this vital factor of production provides surplus opportunities for work or residence, the ample choice assuring wages equivalent to one's production, in safe, ethical occupations, of the kind desired, under satisfactory conditions, in the business structure preferred, at one's skill level; facilitating decentralization, without legislation or violence. (HUMAN SCALE) Marriage possible when biologically ready. Improvement tax reductions equal to increases in ground rent assessments. Compact development. Parks, play space, other public land free, except for any existing improvements. (SMALL IS BEAUTIFUL)

End ALL monopoly-creating, other favoritism, thus unearned income; fantastic, pervasive waste. Patents available to all, at a reasonable royalty. Free trade between nations, any export subsidies being balanced by import duties. Colonialism and neocolonialism - enforced by arms, trade or credit restrictions - must end, to end robbery of Third World labor and raw materials; to end transfer of production from developed countries to its slave labor, and to enable it to develop economic and political democracy; thus ending rivalry for its milking; all together, eliminating formal and guerrilla warfare, hunger, torture, slaughter, bankruptcy. (THE GREAT FEAR IN LATIN AMERICA) This minimizes destruction and poisoning of the environment, poisoning and deterioration of foods, dangerous loss of wildlife and topsoil, threatening the intricate balance of nature and means of sustenance; ending slums (everyone could afford to live elsewhere); with the millions of homeless throughout the world able to buy shelter. Full employment, better health, safe working and living conditions will minimize sickness, dissipation, crime and repression costs. We could furnish COMPLETE social services, free, except for some payment by the rich; replace costly, highly discriminatory, unphilosophic law with almost free representative mediation, using truth tests when necessary; stupid, sadistic, costly detention being replaced with monetary restitution (detention only for the emotionally dangerous). Convert present detention. (IN THE BELLY OF THE BEAST; WOMEN IN PRISON; YOUTH IN HELL)

Credit issued up to the value of goods in the market place, offered as collateral for loans, maintaining a balance; no inflation or deflation. Such unused credit can be granted to others. Activist ombudsmen should assure soundness and impartiality of loans, while supervising all else in government. Eliminate depletion allowances on ALL natural resources (over 100 industries). End ALL exemptions on ground rent. A flat tax rate on ALL business (THE RELIGIOUS EMPIRE), and on personal incomes above a certain level. Compulsory schooling - child slavery - must end; years of wasted life, in a uniformity unsuited to widely varying personalities; with unneeded and unwanted courses, often taught by faddist methods; elitist control molding subservience to statism and monopoly (assuming that children belong to the state); making reforms virtually impossible; causing prevalent rebellion, in disorder, crime and dissipation. Parent and individual control would produce cooperative schools, parent and self teaching, resource centers, with competent certification, some no-strings subsidies, and useful work, when desired. Far less time and cost, far more satisfaction. (THE TWELVE-YEAR SENTENCE) No politician, media, school, religion or activist group now more than dabbles with justice, lacking the security of surplus jobs. ONLY FREE LAND CAN MAKE A FREE PEOPLE. (W. Europe - no capital crimes, maximum Swedish sentence - 12 years, home visits; Danish civil cases - 75% mediated; 5% of Japanese guilty are imprisoned; parts of ancient China - ALL crimes mediated, paid in money; U.S. - least services, vacations, most sadistic laws, courts, police, prisons in developed world)