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An end to monopoly — in government, banking, land, patents, mergers, trade unions, medicine.

Rational, humane laws. Prisons abolished; replaced by fines, with psychiatric treatment if necessary.

Assess full ground rent, without exception, for ethical revenue source, low improvement taxes, an end to speculation. Choice of sites at true rental value will ensure a surplus of safe employment, at wages equal to one's production.

Government restitution for official or private injuries. Polygraph tests to be accepted as evidence.

Fellow Georgists:

Articles in THE GOOD SOCIETY and FRAGMENTS describe the need for a Georgist revival. This coincides with the desperate need for world revival, and presents us with an opportunity to build up our membership, while fulfilling our obligation, as the only ones with answers, to publicizing George's program, of simple justice, replacing a hodge-podge of immoral, amoral, unworkable expediencies. The public is not going to take 30 or 40 weeks of School courses, but the dissemination of a concise, official Georgist platform, stating clearly its ethics and practicality, with its more important effects, in economics, politics, nutrition, ecology and social problems, at home and abroad, should have a worthwhile effect.

I believe that a good deal could be taken from the first two paragraphs of the enclosure - A FREE MARKET - FREE PEOPLE - adding statements on depletion allowances, a flat tax rate, and George's statement on the national debt. Its cancellation would cut about \$ 79 billion a year from the budget, prevent the recurrence of the debt, and act as a war deterrent, with war profits more than eaten up by taxes. We must oppose all favoritism, as obstructions to free trade. Such a platform would help us to recapture George's vision, and his confidence in himself and his ideas, impelled even more than he, not only by the horror of poverty but by the threat of nuclear and environmental destruction.

Sincerely,

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P. S. We must specifically demand the immediate separation of land and improvement values, nationwide, and the progressive increase in ground rent assessments, to equal 100% in 5 years, with corresponding reductions in improvement taxes.