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ONE-SENTENCE ECONOMICS AND WORLD LEPROSY

The Untaught Science

A Twelve-Point Program For An American Renaissance

If the purpose is to raise the permanent condition of a people small means do not merely produce small effects; they produce no effect at all.

John Stuart Mill

This book offers the only possible program for equal economic opportunity, through equal costs of production; the only program guaranteeing full employment at all times, irrespective of race, religion, age, sex or national origin, with everyone receiving the equivalent of his production, because of a free choice between self-employment and employment in cooperation with, or for others. It is a program for minimizing sickness and crime, for reducing, normalizing, and making self-supporting our enormous and infamous prison system, which results from criminal laws deplored by James V. Bennett, retired director of our federal prisons, as the most severe in the world. We need not pretend that our many vital problems don't exist, or that we can't solve them quickly, if we wish. Chicago was rebuilt in a year, after the great fire of 1871. German industry was rebuilt in four years, after the destruction of World War II. New York City's severe housing shortage was ended in two years (1920-1922), by granting a 10-year tax moratorium on new housing built within that time, saving an estimated one-third of the cost of the house. There is obviously no excuse for slums, and these are only samples of what has been done and can be done where the desire exists. Technology is no obstacle. It is our degree of willingness to give up legalized robbery - monopoly privilege - so that others may have their rights.

The fundamentals of economic, social and legal reform are here presented as an interrelated picture; one which perceives justice as the foundation of a workable economy, and a just economy as the basis of a humanitarian society - an American Renaissance. The apparently endless evils of recessions, inflation, unemployment, poverty, ignorance, wholesale violence, prostitution, strikes, low wages and bad working conditions - alike for majority and minority groups (now treated as the isolated effects of isolated causes) - disappear, as history demonstrates, in the solvent of basic justice - wherever, whenever, to the extent that, and for so long as it is applied.

The core of the book is a unique distillation of political economy in one 22-page SENTENCE, comprising a statement of economic principles, refutation of futile alternatives, and proof that ethical means lead to correct ends - all in the logical step-by-step sequence of machine teaching which assures understanding by everyone. The infinite details of this simplest of all sciences are seen to fit into a synthesized entity. Of the two factors of production - land and labor - it is pointed out that none of our anti-monopoly laws affect the basic monopoly of the earth itself, whose title holders, in that capacity alone, are enabled to syphon off most of the gains made in production because of competitive bidding for an artificial scarcity of sites on which to work and live. Without restricting the monopoly of the earth, restricting the monopoly of labor products distributes overall monopoly somewhat, without destroying it, and any saving in price, from regulation, is only absorbed by those holding land titles, because of the increased money available with which to bargain for this artificial scarcity of land, being held for a speculative rise. The consequent uselessness of makeshift palliatives and violations of individual rights, and the enormous benefits, both material and political, to be obtained from an ethical economy are outlined, and summed up in a quotation from the world's foremost economist: "Let us first decide what are the natural rights of man, and endeavor to secure them, before we propose either to beg or to pillage;"

Preceding THE SENTENCE is a statistical summary of TITLE TO THE EARTH, delineating its overall monopolization, as to important natural resources and site values, with a comparison, typical of other industries, of the relative incomes of the idle land holders and those of the operators and employees of English coal mines; a survey of World Leprosy I: the appalling diseases of malnutrition afflicting whole continents and parts of our own, cutting life expectancy in half, and showing the relationship between concentrated land monopoly, poverty and disease; a world-wide compilation of statistics citing the unvarying inverse ratio of protein intake to fertility, showing that prosperity and a better diet is the solution to overpopulation, with the biological reasons therefore; a complete set of ECONOMIC TERMS, not found in any college text, with full explanations and comparisons with common terminology; and a PREFACE of basic principles vital to our preparation for THE SENTENCE.

Following THE SENTENCE, in LAND VALUE ASSESSMENT IN THOUGHT AND ACTION, over the centuries, are many eloquent testimonials to the ethics and overriding importance of having equal access to the earth, as to light and air, without the speculative pricing and hoarding made possible by underassessments of land, or complete or partial exemptions - legal or otherwise - which effectively deny millions of people access to business sites of all types, on equitable terms, and thus create an artificial shortage of work opportunities; our present TAX MORASS AND ITS NIGHTMARE EFFECTS, and a Proposed Tax Reform, with a two-and-a-half page summary of consequential economic and social benefits; THE CONSPIRACY OF SILENCE on economic fundamentals by our schools and mass media, and the financial control which dictates this silence; WORLD LEPROSY II, the second group of inevitable effects of poverty: crime, dissipation, a stupid, callous, brutal, highly discriminatory court, police and prison system, with examples of improved methods used elsewhere, and pilot programs here; widespread, stupidly and callously handled mental illness, with examples of improved methods; Random Comments, and ADDENDA, citing some trade union gains and limitations; Concentration of Monopoly Control of industry; the monopolization of a large proportion of important patents, and the equitable alternative; the absurdity of assuming that the world or an individual could live on anything that could be described as true interest, divorced from labor; and concluding with a twelve-point program of economic, court, police and prison reform, with restitution, so far as reasonable, for injuries suffered by the public and by the prisoners, and a reformation of the philosophy and practice of much of the legal system, in accordance with the best thought - today's and yesterday's - available. Important points clearly and forcefully illustrated in 31 charts, diagrams and drawings. For those who want to know, those who like to think, those who hope for and believe in the possibility of an American Renaissance this book points the way.

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