

president of the Schalkenbach Foundation. Charles T. Root was first president, and others include Charles O'Connor Hennessey, Lawson Purdy, Albert Pleydell, Pierrepont I. Prentice and Lancaster M. Greene, now president emeritus. Oscar B. Johannsen is executive director, assisted by Pat Aller, Susan Klingelhofer, and Rosemary Dubois.

Violetta (Vi) G. Peterson Graham, executive director for nearly forty years, retired in 1976 but was active on the Schalkenbach board until she died in 1989. Frances Soriero, her assistant for many years, now retired, is also on the board.

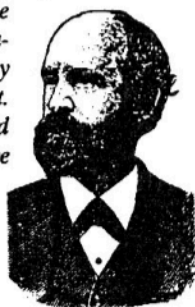
In 1991 the Foundation will publish *George and the Scholars*, edited by Dorothy and Will Lissner, a collection of articles, mostly from the *American Journal of Economics and Sociology*, evaluating George by contemporary standards. Charles A. Barker's definitive biography, originally published by Oxford University Press, will also be issued by the Foundation, and *Protection or Free Trade* will be reprinted in both cloth and paperback editions.

In the Foundation office is an oil painting, "Unconquerable Carcassonne," of the walled French city that withstood invaders for more than a century. The defenders were few in number but strong in their determination, and artist Wayne D. Heydecker likened this to Georgists generally and the Foundation in particular, which, he said, has kept alive the concept of economic justice by its ongoing publication of the works of Henry George.

--Pat Aller

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Land in itself has no value. Value arises only from human labor. It is not until the ownership of land becomes equivalent to the ownership of laborers that any value attaches to it. And where land has a speculative value it is because of the expectation that the growth of society will in the future make its ownership equivalent to the ownership of laborers.



--Henry George,
Protection or Free Trade

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE: "WAR & PEACE" IN LONDON INSTEAD OF JERUSALEM

On November 15, the executive committee of the International Union for Land-Value Taxation and Free Trade decided to change the location of their 1991 conference from Jerusalem to London. Events in the Persian Gulf led the committee to its decision.

Although the conference was then but a few months away, the IU succeeded in securing Wellington Hall at King's College to house conferees from Thursday dinner March 21 through Wednesday lunch March 27, 1991. Wellington Hall is within three-minutes walking distance of IU headquarters at 177 Vauxhall Bridge Road, and within a half-mile of Westminster Abbey, Tate Gallery, Buckingham Palace and St James' Park. (We're talking the heart of London!) A banquet will be held on Saturday evening, but most other evenings will be left free for participants to choose their own extracurricular activities, such as theatre-going (and dining-out on Sunday evening, the only evening dinner will not be provided).

The major theme - "War & Peace" - is appropriate for a conference that was displaced from its original venue because of the prospect (at this writing) of war in the Middle East. Localized wars with conventional weapons will play an increasing role in determining political relations between nations during the 1990s.

The relevance of Georgist analysis to territorial conflicts will be subjected to severe testing by authors - some of them distinguished academics - who draw their case studies from around the world: How can the Muslim-Jew dispute over land be resolved to everyone's satisfaction? How can anxieties of whites, who control most of the land in South Africa, be addressed, while extending equal rights to blacks? Imaginative applications of Georgist fiscal policy provide exciting solutions to both civil and international conflicts. This conference promises to be one of the most stimulating - and important - ever organized by the International Union.

Charges for the conference are as follows: Conference fee, £25. For back rooms facing street, £210. For single rooms or front rooms facing the Square (both on first-come, first-served basis), £225. Day visitors, £16 (Fri, Mon, Tues, both sessions, lunch and dinner); and £8 (Sat, Sun, Wed, morning session and lunch). Banquet, members and guests, £30. (If you are not a member of the IU, you are urged to join; dues are \$12/year.)

All bookings for this conference must be paid in full and received in London by February 18, 1991! Bookings after this date will only be accepted if accompanied by a surcharge of £40.

For more information, including a booking-form, contact the headquarters of the International Union, 177 Vauxhall Bridge Rd., London SW1 1EU, England (Tel: 011-44-71-834-4266); or IU President Richard Noyes, P.O. Box 2, Salem, NH 03079 (Tel: 603-893-1192).

The great sinister fact, the one that we must live with, is that we are yielding up sovereignty. The nation is no longer comprised of the thirteen original states, nor of the thirty-seven younger sister states, but of the real powers: the cartels, the corporations. Owning the bulk of our productive resources, they are the issue of that concentration of ownership that George saw evolving, and warned against.

These multinationals are not American anymore. Transcending nations, they serve not their country's interests, but their own. They manipulate our tax policies to help themselves. They determine our statecraft. They are autonomous. They do not need to coin money or raise armies. They use ours.

-- Agnes George de Mille, *Preface to the Centenary Edition of Progress and Poverty*, 1979.

Between 1982 and 1989, the Western nations -- including the United States and the Soviet Union -- sold Iraq more than \$42 billion in military hardware. That's 28 percent of all worldwide arms purchases during that period.

In fact, each year, military spending devours one trillion dollars. That's more than the total income of the poorer half of the world's people!

-- Arthur Simon, *President, Bread for the World*

The first panacea for a mismanaged nation is inflation of the currency; the second is war. Both bring a temporary prosperity; both bring a permanent ruin. But both are the refuge of the political and economic opportunists.

-- Ernest Hemmingway