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Oct 6, 1936

Miss Dorothy E. Coate
140 Arlington Avenue,
Toronto, Ontario, Canada

Dear Miss Coate:

Your letter addressed to the Fairhope Courier on March 24th has come to me for a much belated reply.

The financial statement of Fairhope to which you refer is, I have no doubt, that of the municipality and not of the Single Tax Corporation. Under separate cover I am sending you some literature which I hope will be of help to you in understanding and explaining to others how our partial application of land value taxation works out.

Yes our lessees do have to pay all the regular municipal, state and federal taxes. Receipts for taxes paid on real and personal property, poll taxes etc., may be applied against the lessees land rent. Income taxes, tariff taxes and other internal revenue and license taxes the corporation does not attempt to absorb. We have no radio license in this county.

Comparison with other towns of like size in this section shows that Fairhope has had a smaller number of its citizens on relief than other towns of like size. While we believe that our policy has had much to do with this, it might be argued that other peculiar local conditions were responsible.

If I can be of any further service, I hope you will communicate with me.

Very truly yours,

Secretary

CAG/mg

The Single Tax Association of Canada

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140 Arlington Avenue,
Toronto, Ontario,
March 24, 1936.

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HERBERT T. OWENS

TREASURER:
ALAN C. THOMPSON
34 SPADINA AVE.
TORONTO

The Fairhope Courier,
Fairhope, Alabama.

Dear Sirs:

Perhaps you may be glad to see that the Toronto Single Tax Association once more has a publication - of sorts! Since January, we have been getting out a Bulletin once a month regularly and more often if there was something that our members ought to know at once, such as change of meeting place.

We have now added your name to the Bulletin's mailing list.

You may not have heard of the change of officers in our Association which took place in January? Mr. L. B. Walling resigned his post as Secretary, after a long period of service. His place is now filled by two honorary officers; Mr. Herbert T. Owens of 30 Classic Avenue, Toronto, is Secretary and I am Corresponding Secretary.

Some time ago, Mr. Owens showed us a copy of the financial statement of Fairhope, which looked worth studying. Could you send me a copy of it and some information as to what it means? Some of the items in the statement were most puzzling to one unused to civic statements. I should also like to know whether people living in your community have to pay all the regular state and Federal taxes, such as income tax, radio licenses, etc, and whether the depression has been less severely felt than in ordinary towns of the same size. Any concrete information you can give me will be much appreciated as people are continually asking how Single Tax works in places where it is being tried to a certain extent.

Yours very truly,

Dorothy E. Coate

Corresponding Secretary.

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BANK OF FAIRHOPE

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FAIRHOPE, ALA.

January 22, 1947

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Mr. Chas. A. Cobb
RFD 1
Carp Lake, Michigan

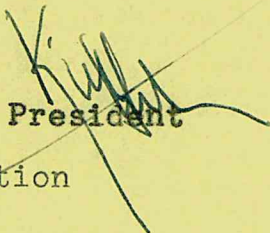
Dear Sir:

We are pleased to have your letter of January 16th indicating your interest in Baldwin County. It is our opinion that, in view of the prices in this area being higher than they have been for some time, we feel that the best way for you to determine what you would like to do would be for you to visit Fairhope and look around for yourself.

We are asking the Fairhope Courier to send you a copy of their paper and it may be that you will get an indication of the possibilities. We are also asking the Fairhope Single Tax Corporation to send literature which they have regarding Fairhope.

With best wishes, we are

Yours sincerely,


President

kw/mt

bcc: Fairhope Single Tax Corporation
Fairhope, Alabama

Enclosure

R. F. D. #1

Carp Lake, Michigan
January 16, 1947.

Bank of Fairhope
Fairhope, Alabama

Gentlemen:-

We visited Baldwin County
a few years ago and would
appreciate very much if you
would send us information
regarding the value of improved
and unimproved land at the
present time in your county.

Would also like to know if there
are any improved farms one
could rent.

Yours truly,

Chas. A. Cobb
CHAS. A. COBB

H. R. COGBURN, M. D.

MERCHANTS NAT'L BANK BLDG.

SUITE 209

MOBILE 11, ALABAMA

April 17, 1946

Dr. C. A. Gaston
Fairhope, Ala.

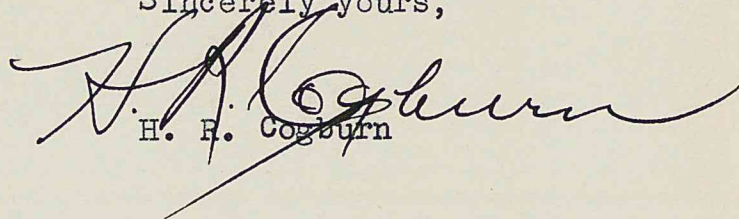
Dear Dr. Gaston:

Mr. E. S. Potter came in to see me at your suggestion. He had a sebaceous mole on the left side of the back, at about the level of the 8th vertebra.

Under Novocaine anesthesia, I removed it with the desiccating needle and the curette and applied a sterile gauze dressing. I believe this man will be all right in a reasonable time.

Thanking you for referring Mr. Potter to me and with kind personal regards to you,
I am

Sincerely yours,


H. R. Cogburn

(by M.B.)

HRC:mb

Oct. 19, 1936

Mrs. A. W. Cohen
28 So. Grant St.,
Westmont, Ill.

Dear Madam:

Mr. Wolcott has handed me your letter of Oct. 9th for reply. I feel that you do not understand the situation in regard to your rent. Your rent is paid to July 1st, 1936 as shown on the receipt which you hold. However the bill sent \$10.41 is for the rent July 1, to Dec. 31, 1936. The annual rent on your leasehold is \$20.83. The lease contract provides for the payment of the annual rent in equal payments on the first day of January and July and the payment made by you June 27th was the payment that was due the first day of January 1936.

In regard to your assessment I believe the values placed on your clocks, radios and electric refrigerators exceed the values required for purposes of taxation. If these articles are not now in the house they should not be assessed. If you will tell me the make and age of the radio and refrigerator I can probably learn from local authorities the amount they should be assessed at. As to the clocks or watches they should be valued at the second hand market value.

I believe you have on your lot a house and a garage. What do you estimate their separate value to be? I will appreciate your getting this information to me within the next two weeks.

Very truly yours,

Secretary

CAG:mg

Oct 9, 1936

Mrs. A. W. Cohen
28 S. Grant St.
Westmont, Ill.

Dear Mrs. Cohen:

Yours of Oct. 5th received. Our treasurer is away at the present time but an examination of his books shows that you are correct in your figures. The rent now due is \$10.41 for the last half of 1936.

You do not state whether you want me to return this property for you or not. The Assessor will be here on the 15, 16 and 17 and if assessment is not made at that time a penalty will be added to your tax bill.

Should you wish me to attend to this matter for you, please answer the questions on the enclosed blank and return it to me at once.

Very truly yours,

Secretary

CAG/mg

Wheatmont, Ill.
28 So. Greville
Oct 5 - 1936 -

Mr C. A. Gaston.

Dear Mr Gaston.

Received letter of information due
to the fact that I have not paid last
years. dues & taxes.

I have receipt of same in my
possession. from Mr. E. C. Wolcott.

#2643 - Fairhope Ala. Jan 11 - 1936 -

Recd. from Mrs. A. W. Cohen.

1935 County Tax 3689- 2.10

1935 Town Tax 357- 1.00.

Cash. money order. 7.60

\$10.70

Rent on Lot 11 - Blk 3 - Div. 3.

I also wrote in today in the early mail
here to Mr Jesse M. Smith for a Tax
Bill for this year. I hope you too
find my past bills Mrs. A. W. Cohen.
said (over)

also.
Rent for July 1st 1936

#3053 June 27-1936

Received from Mrs. A. W. Cohen.

Cash - Cashier check. of 10.00

Postage stamps

15

\$ 10.15

Rent paid to July \$ 36

20.83
10.42

10.41.

Westmont, Ill.
28 So. Grant st.
Oct. 9-1936.

Mr E. C. Wolcott
Treasurer of Fairhope Ala.

Dear Sir.

I had a letter on Oct 3-1936 from
Mr C. A. Gaston telling me I had not paid my
rent on my property. Lot 11 - Blk 3 - Plin. 3 on
Summit & Powell sts in Fairhope. I have receipt
of same in my possession.

#3053 Fairhope Ala. June 27-1936

Received from Mrs Ann. Cohen

By Cash Cashiers check -	10.00
" Postage stamps -	13
	10.13

Rent on Lot 11 - Blk 3 - Plin 3
Rent to July 1st 1936

Treasurer's Signature.

Will you kindly inform this man that, that is
true.

And obledge

Mrs. Ann. Cohen.

H. R. COGBURN, M. D.
MERCHANTS NAT'L. BANK BLDG.
SUITE 209
MOBILE 11, ALABAMA

April 18, 1945

Dr. C. A. Gaston
Fairhope, Ala.

Dear Dr. Gaston:

Mr. E. C. Wolcott came in to see me today at your suggestion, regarding the seborrheic mole on the left side of his scalp.

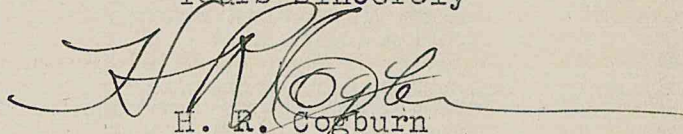
There was some evidence of degeneration and it had penetrated right deep in one area.

Under Novocaine anesthesia, I removed it with the electric needle and curette. I advised that he sponge this sore off about twice daily with a little Alcohol. It will take some few weeks for this place to heal.

I asked Mr. Wolcott to see you from time to time and if, in your opinion, he should come in again to see me, I hope you will so advise him.

Thanking you for the courtesy and with kind personal regards, I am

Yours sincerely


H. R. Cogburn

HRC:b

Washington, D. C.

NOTICE OF REFUND

The District of Alabama

Victory

(Class of Tax)

Fairhope Single Tax Corporation
Fairhope, Alabama

Refund } \$ 5.00
Allowed }

Interest }
on Refund }

Schedule 157

Taxable Period Jan. 1 to March 31, 1943

Form No. V-1

Total Amount Paid	\$ 27.10
Correct Tax Liability	22.10
Overpaid (Refundable)	\$ 5.00

Refund is due for the following reasons:

This item was erroneously and illegally collected because of the fact that reasonable cause for the delinquency has been established.

A Treasury check for the amount refundable, as indicated by the foregoing, is transmitted herewith.

Respectfully,

Norman H. Carr

Deputy Commissioner.

July 8, 1943

Collector of Internal Revenue
Birmingham, Alabama

Dear Sir:

Please send us Form V-1, Return of Victory
Tax Withheld,

Also please send us two employees declaration
forms and such other forms as we may need for compliance
with the requirements of the new income tax law.

Very truly yours,

Secretary.

May 1, 1943

Collector of Internal Revenue
Birmingham, Alabama

Dear Sir:

The Fairhope Single Tax Corporation did not receive Form V-1, Return of Victory Tax Withheld, and no return has yet been made for the first quarter, now delinquent.

Remittance will be made on receipt of proper form. Please advise us if a penalty payment must be made with the remittance.

Very truly yours,

Secretary.

70	200	200
52	52	184.80
13	144	1020
05	05	
90	940	
3	3	

270

2220
2200
2400
2210
2200

740
90
1020
90

April 9, 1941

Mr. Oliver B. Collier,
Box 1311,
Detroit, Michigan,

Dear Sir:

Your letter of March 28 was delivered to this office and I am pleased to send you under separate cover such material as is now available.

In addition several volumes of Enclaves of Economic Rent were published some years ago, the last I know of being that of 1932. It may be that you can find one in your public library or possibly they may still be available from the Fiske Warren Estate, Takanto, Harvard, Mass. These books gave a current review of operations at Fairhope and other similar colonies together with historic data.

Our corporation's constitutional provisions are in full force and effect except as to Articles IX, X, XI and XII.

In the earliest days when our location here was quite isolated and money was a scarce article the provisions of article II were very effectively used to provide a medium of exchange.

Prior to Fairhope's having a municipal government public utilities were provided by the corporation but when the town became a municipal corporation these were turned over to it for operation, and no active use is now being made of the provisions in article X. Though it is available if necessary to combat monopoly.

No demand has ever been made by the corporation's members or lessees for the insurance provided for in Article XI and the provisions there of have never been used.

All the provisions of Article XII are now exercised by the municipal government except that our corporation still owns the library and is its main means of support, furnishing the building and grounds and making monthly cash appropriation of \$65.00.

I hope this information and the material will be of help to you and I shall be glad to answer such questions as you may care to make.

Very truly yours,

Secretary.

Box 1311
Detroit, Mich.
March 28, 1941

To the Recipient
of this letter
Fairhope, Ala.

Dear Sir:

In making a study of the singletax, I
noticed in the Encyclopedia that Fairhope has experimented
with the singletax system.

Do you happen to know whether any study of
your experiment or history of the Fairhope activity has
been published where it is available to an ordinary layman?

Any information you can give me will be very
much appreciated.

Yours very truly,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "O. Collier".

Oliver B. Collier

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE FIELD SERVICE

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*Includes data for adjacent tracted area.

1950 CENSUSES OF POPULATION AND HOUSING

ANNOUNCEMENT 4

Final Report

CENSUS TRACT BULLETINS (Population Volume III)

JANUARY 1952

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
BUREAU OF THE CENSUS

1950 CENSUSES OF POPULATION AND HOUSING

ANNOUNCEMENT *

Population Volume III - Census Tract Bulletins

The Bureau of the Census will soon begin publication of a series of bulletins presenting population and housing characteristics by census tracts. The series will consist of 64 separate bulletins covering a slightly larger number of tracted cities and their adjacent tracted areas, where the latter exist. The bulletins will comprise Volume III of the 1950 Population Census reports; however they will not be bound into a single publication.

Census tracts are small homogeneous areas into which these cities and their adjacent territory have been divided. Because the boundaries of census tracts generally remain fixed, valuable comparisons of data for these small areas can be made for successive censuses.

Each bulletin will present, by census tracts, information obtained in both the Census of Population and the Census of Housing of 1950. The population subjects will relate to the number of inhabitants, age, race, changes in residence between 1949 and 1950, employment status, occupation, number of families, number of households, and income of families and unrelated individuals. Housing statistics will show number of dwelling units classified by occupancy and tenure, type of structure, condition and plumbing facilities, year built, number of persons, persons per

room, heating fuel, refrigeration equipment, television, contract monthly rent, and value of one-dwelling-unit structures. Maps defining the boundaries of the tracts will be included in each bulletin.

For tracted areas containing 10,000 or more nonwhites, separate data will be presented on nonwhites and the dwelling units which they occupy for each tract having 250 or more nonwhites. For tracted areas containing 10,000 or more white persons with Spanish surname in California, Colorado, and Texas, the bulletins will present limited data on these persons and the dwelling units which they occupy for each tract having 250 or more white persons with Spanish surname.

A form is attached for your convenience in ordering Census Tract bulletins. Please complete, detach, and mail the order form together with a check or money order (payable to the Treasurer of the United States) to the SUPERINTENDENT OF DOCUMENTS, GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE, WASHINGTON 25, D. C., or to any of the Department of Commerce Field Offices listed on the reverse side of the order form. (Do not mail to the Bureau of the Census).

Listed below are the areas for which census tract statistics will be published and the price established for each bulletin. It is expected that these bulletins will be issued between December 1951 and September 1952. Each requested item will be mailed immediately upon publication.

1950 CENSUSES OF POPULATION AND HOUSING

POPULATION VOL. III - CENSUS TRACT BULLETINS

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City, Zone, and State _____

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Please list below the areas for which you wish copies of the Census Tract bulletins, and the prices as shown in the announcement. Detach this form, enclose check or money order (payable to the Treasurer of the United States) and mail to the Superintendent of Documents, Government Printing Office, Washington 25, D. C., or to any of the U. S. Department of Commerce Field Offices listed on the reverse side. (Do NOT mail to the Bureau of the Census).

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All bulletins in this series: _____ set(s) at \$21.70 per set \$ _____ (No.)

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
FIELD SERVICE

Each of the bulletins is a preprint of Chapter B of the corresponding part of Volume II of the 1950 Census of Population. Volume II will comprise a series of separately published parts: United States Summary, each State, the District of Columbia, and other parts for the Territories and possessions. Chapter A of each of these parts will relate to number inhabitants (Series P-A bulletins), Chapter B to general characteristics (Series P-B bulletins), and Chapter C to detailed characteristics (Series P-C bulletins).

A form is attached for your convenience in ordering copies of the P-B bulletins. Please complete, detach, and mail the order form together with a check or money order (payable to the Treasurer of the United States) to the SUPERINTENDENT OF DOCUMENTS, GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE, WASHINGTON 25, D. C., or to any of the Department of Commerce Field Offices. (Do not mail to the Bureau of the Census.)

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1950 CENSUSES OF POPULATION AND HOUSING

ANNOUNCEMENT 5

Final Reports

POPULATION SERIES P-B BULLETINS

(State Bulletins - General
Characteristics)

DECEMBER 1951

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
BUREAU OF THE CENSUS

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Your name _____

Street address _____

City _____ Zone _____

State _____

Please enter on the appropriate line the number of copies desired. Note that a separate line is provided for your convenience in ordering complete sets of the bulletins.

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6. Colorado.....	.45	_____	24. Mississippi.....	.60	_____	42. Tennessee.....	.60	_____
7. Connecticut.....	.40	_____	25. Missouri.....	.60	_____	43. Texas.....	1.50	_____
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10. Florida.....	.60	_____	28. Nevada.....	.30	_____	46. Virginia.....	.65	_____
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1950 CENSUSES OF POPULATION
AND HOUSING

ANNOUNCEMENT 5

Series P-B Bulletins

The Bureau of the Census will soon begin publication of a series of final bulletins based on the 1950 Census of Population. The Series P-B bulletins (General Characteristics) will contain statistics on the general characteristics of the population for each county, the rural-non-farm and rural-farm parts of each county, each urban place of 2,500 inhabitants or more, places of 1,000 to 2,500 inhabitants, as well as for the total of each urbanized area and each standard metropolitan area.

The subjects presented will include age; sex; marital status; race; nativity; citizenship; school enrollment; years of school completed; residence in 1949; number of married couples, families, and households; country of birth of the foreign-born white population; employment status; major occupation group; major industry group; and income of families and unrelated individuals. Separate data are to be presented for the nonwhite population in selected areas.

This series will comprise separate bulletins for a United States summary, each of the States and the District of Columbia, Alaska, Hawaii, and Puerto Rico. An additional bulletin will cover American Samoa, the Canal Zone, Guam, and the Virgin Islands of the U. S.

Equipment and Fuels

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Financial Characteristics of Nonfarm

Dwelling Units

Contract monthly rent
Gross monthly rent
Value
Mortgage status

This series will comprise a separate bulletin for a United States summary, each of the States and the District of Columbia, Alaska, Hawaii, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands of the U. S. Each of the State bulletins will include maps and descriptions of the urbanized areas in the State. The bulletins are preprints of the separate chapters of Volume I of the 1950 Census of Housing.

A form is attached for your convenience in ordering copies of the H-A bulletins. Please complete, detach, and mail the order form together with a check or money order (payable to the Treasurer of the United States) to the SUPERINTENDENT OF DOCUMENTS, GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE, WASHINGTON 25, D. C., or to any of the Department of Commerce Field Offices. (Do not mail to the Bureau of the Census.)

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1950 CENSUSES OF POPULATION AND HOUSING

ANNOUNCEMENT 6

Final Reports

HOUSING

SERIES H-A BULLETINS

(State Bulletins - General
Characteristics)

JANUARY 1952

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1950 CENSUSES OF POPULATION
AND HOUSING

ANNOUNCEMENT 6

Series H-A Bulletins

The Bureau of the Census will soon begin publication of a series of bulletins based on the 1950 Census of Housing. The Series H-A bulletins (General Characteristics) will contain statistics on the general characteristics of dwelling units for the State; standard metropolitan areas; urbanized areas; incorporated and unincorporated places of 1,000 to 2,500 inhabitants; urban places of 2,500 inhabitants or more; counties; and rural-nonfarm and rural-farm parts of counties. More detailed information is presented for States, standard metropolitan areas and their constituent counties, urbanized areas, and urban places of 10,000 inhabitants or more, than for the other areas.

The following subjects are covered in these bulletins:

Occupancy Characteristics of the Dwelling Unit

Occupancy and tenure
Population per occupied dwelling unit
Race or color of occupants
Number of persons
Persons per room

Structural Characteristics of the Dwelling Unit

Type of structure
Number of rooms
Year built

Condition and Plumbing Facilities

Condition and plumbing facilities (in combination)
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place of 1,000 or more inhabitants, and incorporated places of 5,000 or more by wards. A special series of tables will contain figures for each urbanized area, and the incorporated places and portions of minor civil divisions within it. Maps to be included will define the boundaries of the minor civil divisions within the State and the boundaries of each of the urbanized areas.

PREVIOUS ANNOUNCEMENT

In April 1951, the Bureau announced several series of Preliminary Sample Reports and Advance Reports on Final Population Counts to be issued in the ensuing months. A detailed description of the contents of these reports is included in the April announcement and its accompanying order form. Copies of that announcement and order form may still be obtained on written request addressed to the Director, Bureau of the Census, Washington 25, D. C.

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FUTURE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Additional announcements for the 1950 Censuses of Population and Housing will be made at later dates describing the contents of the remaining series of final bulletins and volumes.

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1950 CENSUSES OF POPULATION AND HOUSING

ANNOUNCEMENT 1

Final Reports

POPULATION SERIES A Bulletins

(State Bulletins—Number of Inhabitants)

SEPTEMBER 1951

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
BUREAU OF THE CENSUS

ANNOUNCEMENT 1

Population Series A Bulletins

The Bureau of the Census has recently begun publication of the first series of final bulletins based on the 1950 Census of Population. The Population Series A Bulletins, one for each State, will present the final official counts of the number of inhabitants for various types of areas within the State.

The Series A Bulletins (Number of Inhabitants) will supersede preliminary reports based on the field counts which were issued in late 1950, and the Series PC-8 Advance Reports on Final Population Counts scheduled for completion in October 1951.

This announcement describes the organization of the final Census reports, the content of the Population Series A Bulletins, and the procedure for ordering them. The attached order form listing each of the reports, and the charges established, is provided for your convenience. Each requested item will be mailed immediately upon publication.

ORGANIZATION OF THE CENSUS REPORTS

The Population Series A Bulletins (Number of Inhabitants) are preprints of the separate chapters for the United States, each State, the District of Columbia, and the Territories and possessions, which will later be bound into Volume I of the 1950 Census of Population. The materials presented in these bulletins will also appear as Chapter A of each part of Volume II. Volume II will comprise a series of separately published parts, one for each State and the District of Columbia, a summary for the United States, and other parts for the Territories and possessions.

A tentative listing of the bulletins, reports, and bound volumes which will present the final statistics of the 1950 Censuses of Population and Housing is shown below. Later announcements will cover these in more detail.

Population

Volume I. Number of Inhabitants
(Population Series A Bulletins)

Volume II. Characteristics of the Population

Chapter A. Number of Inhabitants
(Population Series A Bulletins)

Chapter B. General Characteristics
(Population Series B Bulletins)

Chapter C. Detailed Characteristics
(Population Series C Bulletins)

Census Tract Bulletins

Succeeding volumes will cover the following subjects:

Nativity and Parentage, Nonwhite Population by Race, Persons of Spanish Surname, Institutional Population, Differential Fertility, Labor Force Characteristics, Occupation, Industry, Income, Internal Migration, Education, Characteristics of Families and Households.

Housing

Volume I. General Characteristics
(Housing Series A Bulletins)

Volume II. Nonfarm Housing Characteristics
(Housing Series B Bulletins)

Volume III. Farm Housing Characteristics

Volume IV. Residential Financing

Volume V. Block Statistics Bulletins
(Housing Series E)

POPULATION SERIES A BULLETINS

This series will comprise a separate bulletin for a United States summary, each of the States, and the District of Columbia, Alaska, Hawaii, and Puerto Rico. An additional bulletin will cover American Samoa, the Canal Zone, Guam, and the Virgin Islands. These bulletins will subsequently be consolidated to form Volume I of the 1950 Census of Population.

The bulletins will show the number of inhabitants for the State, for each county and for each minor civil division within the county. Figures will also be presented for each incorporated place, each unincorporated

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1950 CENSUSES OF POPULATION AND HOUSING

ANNOUNCEMENT 3

Key to Published and Tabulated Data for Small Areas

SEPTEMBER 1951

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
BUREAU OF THE CENSUS

KEY TO PUBLISHED AND TABULATED DATA FOR SMALL AREAS

In October, the Bureau of the Census will issue a "Key to Published and Tabulated data for Small Areas." The Key presents in tabular form an index to the statistics based on the 1950 Censuses of Population and Housing which will be published, or will be available in the form of unpublished tabulations, for various types of area smaller than States.

The information is cross-indexed to the specific tables in which the published data on the same subject will appear in the final reports to be issued in 1951 and 1952. Among these reports are Population Volume I, Number of Inhabitants; Population Volume II, Chapter B, General Characteristics; Housing Volume I, General Characteristics; Housing Volume V, (Block Statistics Bulletins); and Census Tract Bulletins.

Information which will be tabulated but not published for these areas is clearly noted, and instructions for securing this type of data are included. Appendices to the Key describe and list various types of areas, such as standard metropolitan areas, urbanized areas, census tract areas, and block statistics cities.

Copies of the Key to Published and Tabulated Data for Small Areas are priced at 30 cents each. To obtain copies complete the attached order form and mail it, together with the required payment, to the Superintendent of Documents, Government Printing Office, Washington 25, D.C., or to any of the U. S. Department of Commerce Field Offices.

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FUTURE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Additional announcements for the 1950 Censuses of Population and Housing will be made at later dates describing the further series of advance reports and the final bulletins, and volumes.

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1950 CENSUSES OF POPULATION AND HOUSING

ANNOUNCEMENT B

Advance Reports (States)

PC-13.—Population Characteristics

HC-7.—Vacant Dwelling Units

HC-8.—Housing Characteristics

September 1951

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
BUREAU OF THE CENSUS

The Bureau of the Census is preparing a series of advance population reports and two series of advance housing reports based on the 1950 Censuses of Population and Housing. Series PC-13 will contain selected data on population characteristics. Series HC-7 presents basic counts on vacant dwelling units, and Series HC-8 will contain selected data on housing characteristics. These reports are to be issued in advance of the time when more detailed data will be available. The more detailed data will be included in the Population Series B Bulletins (General Characteristics) and in the Housing Series A Bulletins (General Characteristics).

It is expected that the PC-13 reports will be published between October 1951 and May 1952, the Series HC-7 reports between September 1952 and June 1952, and the Series HC-8 reports between November 1951 and July 1952. Reports will be issued as they are processed without reference to series number or to the numbers assigned within the series.

ADVANCE REPORTS

Each series will include a U. S. Summary report and a separate report for each State and for the District of Columbia.

Series PC-13—Population Characteristics

Each report in this series consists of a table presenting selected counts, percentages, and medians on population characteristics. These figures are shown for the State (urban, rural nonfarm, and rural farm), standard metropolitan areas, and urban places of 10,000 or more. Items relating to total population, migration, education, labor force, and family income are included.

Series HC-7.—Vacant Dwelling Units

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Mr. C. A. Gaston, Secretary
Fairhope Single Tax Corporation
Fairhope, Alabama



Feb. 7, 1951

Department of Commerce
Bureau of the Census
Washington, D. C.

Gentlemen:

I will appreciate it if you can furnish me from the 1950 census records the following figures concerning the 1950 census of Fairhope, Alabama:

Male	- - - - -	_____
Female	- - - - -	_____
White	- - - - -	_____
Native	- - - - -	_____
Foreign born	- - - - -	_____
Negro	- - - - -	_____

I will appreciate such other detailed information as may be available.

If now available I would like to have population figures for the State of Alabama, its counties, cities and incorporated towns, with comparison with the 1940 figures.

Very truly yours,

Secretary

Fred Chapin Jr.
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Feb. 23, 1951

Department of Commerce
Bureau of the Census
Washington, 25, D. C.

Attn: Howard G. Brunzman, Chief
Population and Housing Division

Dear Sir:

I wish to thank you for your letter of Feb. 19, 1951 and the copy of the press release preliminary counts of the population of Alabama. Please place my name on the mailing list to receive notice of the publication of the second series Population bulletin for Alabama.

In the final population figures will the college students enrolled and enumerated away from their home towns be credited to the home town population or will they remain credited to the towns where they are enrolled as students? I would also like to know the basis of classification of Alabama municipalities as "towns" and "cities". I was under the impression that Alabama statutes classified as "cities" all municipalities having a population of over 2500.

Very truly yours,

Secretary

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
BUREAU OF THE CENSUS
WASHINGTON

April 2, 1942

Dear Mr. Gaston:

There are given below 1940 population statistics for Fairhope town, in Baldwin County, Alabama:

	<u>Population</u>
Total population	<u>1,845</u>
Male	874
Female	971
White	1,664
Native	1,577
Foreign born	87
Negro	181

These figures, which are given in Table 29 of the second series population bulletin for Alabama, are furnished you in response to a request which you addressed to this Bureau some time ago.

Very truly yours,

Leon E. Truesdell

Leon E. Truesdell,
Chief Statistician for Population.

Mr. C. A. Gaston, Secretary,
Fairhope Single Tax Corporation,
Fairhope, Alabama.

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Nov. 13, 1941

Department of the Census
United States Government
Washington, D.-C.

Gentlemen:

From time to time I see published references to information purporting to have been secured from data compiled in the U. S. Census.

Will you please inform me what details of information there may be available with regard to the 1940 census of Fairhope, Alabama.

Is there any record of owner occupancy of residences? Is there data on individual or average incomes of residents? Does owner report whether residence is on owned or leased land? What is the total official enumeration? How many whites? How many colored?

Very truly yours,

Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

BUREAU OF THE CENSUS

WASHINGTON

November 18, 1941

Dear Mr. Gaston:

I have your letter of November 13. According to the 1940 Census, the total population of Fairhope, in Baldwin county, Alabama, was 1,845, as shown on the attached press release. The more detailed statistics showing the color or race distribution of this figure should be available early next year, and will be sent you. In 1930, the white population of Fairhope was 1,368 and the number of Negroes, 179, which may be of interest.

From the 1940 Census of Housing we shall later have figures showing, for Fairhope, the number of dwelling units, occupied and vacant, and giving information with respect to tenure of homes. You will receive a copy of the bulletin containing these data.

Very truly yours,

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Chief Statistician for Population.

Enclosure.

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ALABAMA - Final Population*

POPULATION OF THE STATE OF ALABAMA - FINAL FIGURES: 1940

Between 1930 and 1940 Alabama's urban places continued to grow faster than the rural areas, according to the final figures from the Sixteenth Decennial Census, issued today by Director William Lane Austin, of the Bureau of the Census, Department of Commerce.

The final count of the Sixteenth Census showed that on April 1, 1940, Alabama had a population of 2,832,961, an increase of 186,713 over the 2,646,248 residents reported in the 1930 Census. This change represents an increase of 7.1 percent as compared with 12.7 percent between 1920 and 1930. The population increase in urban areas from 1930 to 1940 was 15.0 percent as compared with 3.9 percent in the rural sections. Urban residents accounted for 30.2 percent of the State's population in 1940, as compared with 28.1 percent in 1930. In 1940, residents of urban areas numbered 855,941, while the rural population amounted to 1,977,020. The Census Bureau considers as urban areas the incorporated places of 2,500 or more. The remaining territory is classified as rural.

There were 14 cities of 10,000 or more in Alabama, no new cities having been

added to this group since 1930. All 14 of these cities increased between 1930 and 1940, Gadsden having had the most rapid growth (53.8 percent).

Forty-eight of the 67 counties gained population between 1930 and 1940. Russell County, with an increase of 30.7 percent, had the most extensive growth.

The first census of Alabama was taken in 1820, returning a population of 127,901. The population has shown an increase at every census since that time, but the rate of increase during the past decade was the lowest since that of 1860 to 1870. The population passed 500,000 between 1830 and 1840, 1,000,000 between 1870 and 1880, 1,500,000 between 1880 and 1890, 2,000,000 between 1900 and 1910, and 2,500,000 between 1920 and 1930. The present population represents a density of 55.5 inhabitants per square mile. Alabama's total land area is 51,078 square miles.

Table 1 presents the figures for counties and for cities of 10,000 or more and Table 2 for incorporated places of less than 10,000.

Similar announcements of final population figures for other States are being made as the figures become available.

TABLE 1. POPULATION OF COUNTIES AND OF CITIES OF 10,000 OR MORE IN ALABAMA: 1940 AND 1930

[A minus sign (-) denotes decrease.]

County or city	Population		Increase 1930-1940	Percent of increase		County or city	Population		Increase 1930-1940	Percent of increase	
	1940	1930		1930-1940	1920-1930		1940	1930		1930-1940	1920-1930
The State	2,832,961	2,646,248	186,713	7.1	12.7	Counties - Con.:					
Urban	855,941	744,278	111,668	15.0	46.1	Lawrence	27,880	26,942	938	3.5	10.8
Rural	1,977,020	1,901,970	75,045	3.9	3.4	Lee	36,455	36,063	392	1.1	9.9
Percent urban	30.2	28.1	--	--	--	Limestone	35,642	36,629	-987	-2.7	16.9
Counties:						Lowndes	22,661	22,878	-217	-0.9	-10.0
Autauga	20,977	19,694	1,283	6.5	4.2	Macon	27,654	27,103	551	2.0	15.0
Baldwin	32,324	28,289	4,035	14.3	36.5	Madison	66,317	64,623	1,694	2.6	26.0
Barbour	32,722	32,425	297	0.9	1.1	Marion	25,736	26,426	-690	-1.9	1.0
Bibb	20,155	20,780	-625	-3.0	-10.2	Morgan	29,776	25,967	2,809	10.3	18.0
Blount	29,490	28,020	1,470	5.2	9.7	Marshall	42,395	39,802	2,593	6.5	21.8
Bullock	19,810	20,016	-206	-1.0	-21.0	Mobile	141,974	118,363	23,611	19.9	18.2
Butler	32,447	30,195	2,252	7.5	2.2	Monroe	29,465	30,070	-605	-2.0	4.1
Calhoun	63,319	55,611	7,708	13.9	16.3	Montgomery	114,420	92,671	15,749	16.0	22.0
Chambers	42,146	39,313	2,833	7.2	-4.6	Morgan	48,148	46,176	1,972	4.3	14.9
Cherokee	19,928	20,219	-291	-1.4	-3.1	Perry	26,610	26,385	225	0.9	4.0
Chilton	27,955	24,579	3,376	13.7	7.9	Pickens	27,671	24,902	2,769	11.1	-1.8
Choctaw	20,195	20,513	-318	-1.6	-1.2	Pike	32,493	32,240	253	0.8	1.9
Clarke	27,636	26,016	1,620	6.2	-1.5	Randolph	25,516	26,261	-745	-2.8	-0.8
Clay	16,907	17,768	-861	-4.8	-21.5	Russell	35,775	27,377	8,398	30.7	-0.3
Cleburne	13,629	12,877	752	5.8	-3.6	St. Clair	27,336	24,510	2,826	11.5	4.8
Coffee	31,987	32,556	-569	-1.7	8.3	Shelby	28,962	27,576	1,386	5.0	1.7
Colbert	34,093	29,860	4,233	14.2	-6.7	Sumter	27,321	26,929	392	1.5	5.3
Conecuh	25,429	25,429	0	0.0	3.4	Talladega	51,832	45,241	6,591	14.6	10.3
Coosa	13,460	12,460	1,000	8.0	-16.0	Tallapoosa	35,270	31,188	4,082	13.1	4.9
Covington	42,417	41,356	1,061	2.6	8.5	Tuscaloosa	76,086	64,153	11,933	18.5	10.5
Crenshaw	23,631	23,656	-25	-0.1	2.8	Walker	64,201	59,445	4,756	8.0	17.5
Cullman	47,343	41,051	6,292	15.3	24.3	Washington	16,182	16,355	-173	-1.1	14.6
Dale	22,685	23,175	-490	-2.1	2.0	Wilcox	26,279	24,880	1,399	5.6	-19.9
Dallas	55,245	55,094	151	0.3	0.7	Winston	12,746	15,596	2,850	20.2	8.5
De Kalb	43,075	40,104	2,971	7.4	16.5	Cities of 10,000 or more:					
Elmore	34,546	34,280	266	0.8	22.1	Anniston	25,523	22,345	3,178	14.2	26.0
Escambia	30,671	27,963	2,708	9.7	24.5	Bessemer	22,826	20,721	2,105	10.2	11.0
Etowah	72,580	63,399	9,181	14.5	34.1	Birmingham	267,583	259,678	7,905	3.0	45.2
Fayette	21,651	18,443	3,208	17.4	-0.4	Decatur	16,604	15,593	1,011	6.5	228.1
Franklin	27,552	25,372	2,180	8.6	15.3	Dothan	17,194	16,046	1,148	7.2	59.9
Geneva	29,172	30,104	-932	-3.1	2.7	Fairfield	11,703	11,059	644	5.8	121.0
Greene	19,185	19,745	-560	-2.8	8.9	Florence	15,043	11,729	3,314	28.3	11.4
Hale	25,533	26,265	-732	-2.8	8.1	Gadsden	26,975	24,042	2,933	12.3	69.1
Henry	21,912	22,820	-908	-4.0	5.9	Huntsville	13,050	11,554	1,496	12.9	44.1
Houston	45,665	45,935	-270	-0.6	23.0	Mobile	78,720	69,202	9,518	15.4	12.2
Jackson	41,802	36,881	4,921	13.3	2.8	Montgomery	78,084	66,079	12,005	18.2	52.0
Jefferson	459,980	431,493	28,487	6.6	39.2	Phenix City	15,351	13,862	1,489	10.7	155.2
Lamar	19,708	18,001	1,707	9.5	-0.8	Selma	19,834	18,012	1,822	10.1	15.5
Lauderdale	46,280	41,130	5,150	12.4	4.0	Tuscaloosa	27,493	20,659	6,834	33.1	72.2

TABLE 2. POPULATION OF INCORPORATED PLACES OF LESS THAN 10,000 IN ALABAMA: 1940 AND 1930

City or town	County	Population		City or town	County	Population		City or town	County	Population	
		1940	1930			1940	1930			1940	1930
2,500 to 10,000											
2,500 to 10,000-Con.											
Albertville	Marshall	3,651	2,716	Florida	Covington	2,999	2,580	Ozark	Dale	3,601	3,103
Alexander City	Tallapoosa	6,640	4,519	Fort Payne	De Kalb	4,424	3,375	Piedmont	Calhoun	4,019	3,662
Andalusia	Covington	6,886	5,154	Geneva	Geneva	2,803	1,593	Prattville	Autauga	2,664	2,331
Athens	Limestone	4,342	4,238	Greenville	Butler	5,075	3,985	Prichard	Mobile	6,084	4,520
Attmore	Escambia	3,200	3,035	Guntersville	Marshall	4,398	2,826	Roundock	Randolph	4,168	4,373
Attalla	Etowah	4,885	4,585	Hartselle	Morgan	2,584	2,204	Russellville	Franklin	3,510	3,146
Auburn	Lee	4,652	2,800	Homewood	Jefferson	7,397	6,103	Scottsboro	Jackson	2,834	2,304
Brewton	Escambia	3,323	2,818	Jacksonville	Calhoun	2,995	2,840	Sheffield	Colbert	7,933	6,221
Carbon Hill	Walker	2,555	2,519	Jasper	Walker	6,847	5,813	Talladega	Talladega	6,269	4,115
Clanton	Chilton	3,982	1,847	Launett	Chambers	6,141	5,204	Talladega	Talladega	9,298	7,596
Cullman	Cullman	5,074	2,786	Leeds	Jefferson	2,910	2,529	Tarrant City	Jefferson	6,833	7,341
Danopolis	Marion	4,137	4,037	Leeds	St. Clair			Troy	Pike	7,065	6,814
Enterprise	Coffee	4,253	3,702	Northport	Tuscaloosa	3,187	2,173	Tusculum	Colbert	5,515	4,533
Eufaula	Barbour	6,269	5,208	Opelika	Lee	8,487	6,156	Tuskegee	Macon	3,937	3,314
Fayette	Fayette	2,668	2,109	Opp	Owington	3,178	2,918	Union Springs	Bullock	3,107	2,875
								Wetumpka	Elmore	3,089	2,357

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TABLE 2. POPULATION OF INCORPORATED PLACES OF LESS THAN 10,000 IN ALABAMA: 1940 AND 1930 - Continued

City or town	County	Population		City or town	County	Population		City or town	County	Population	
		1940	1930			1940	1930			1940	1930
Less than 2,500				Less than 2,500-Con.				Less than 2,500-Con.			
Abbeville	Henry	2,080	2,047	Eutaw	Greene	1,895	1,721	Nauvoo	Walker	538	648
Akron	Hale	504	793	Evergreen	Conecuh	2,216	2,007	Newbern	Hale	388	389
Aliceville	Pickens	1,475	1,066	Fairhope	Baldwin	1,845	1,549	New Brockton	Coffee	878	727
Altoona	Etowah	995	1,098	Falco	Covington	80	96	Newton	Dale	616	661
Arab	Marshall	640	425	Falkville	Morgan	567	548	Newville	Henry	578	528
Ardmore	Limestone	381	266	Faunsdale	Marengo	185	264	North Johns ³	Jefferson ...	404	344
Ariton	Dale	561	611	Five Points	Chambers	778	1,010	Notasulga	Lee	863	756
Ashford	Houston	1,224	920	Flomaton	Escambia	837	915	Oak Hill ¹	Macon	159	--
Ashland	Clay	1,608	1,476	Foley	Baldwin	864	791	Oakman	Wilcox	897	927
Ashville	St. Clair ..	385	369	Fort Deposit	Lowndes	1,351	1,092	Odenville	St. Clair ...	347	318
Austinville	Morgan	790	818	Frisco City	Monroe	994	1,021	Oneonta	Blount	2,376	1,387
Autaugaville	Autauga	456	450	Fruithurst	Cleburne	281	225	Orrville	Dallas	416	394
Banks	Pike	252	296	Fulton	Clarke	707	766	Oxford	Calhoun	1,393	1,206
Bay Minette	Baldwin	1,763	1,545	Gainesville	Sumter	283	329	Paint Rock	Jackson	282	320
Bear Creek	Marion	243	208	Gantt's Quarry	Talladega ..	456	542	Parrish	Walker	870	987
Beatrice	Monroe	410	342	Gaylesville	Cherokee	183	204	Pell City	St. Clair ...	900	835
Beaverton	Lamar	231	164	Geiger	Sumter	192	121	Petrey	Crenshaw ..	258	168
Bellwood	Geneva	285	299	Georgiana	Butler	1,627	1,480	Phil Campbell	Franklin ...	533	472
Berry	Fayette	639	500	Glencoe ¹	Etowah	669	--	Pinckard	Dale	555	638
Billingsley	Autauga	188	189	Glenwood	Crenshaw	393	429	Pine Apple	Wilcox	455	438
Black	Geneva	348	335	Goodwater	Coosa	1,028	996	Pine Hill	Wilcox	418	433
Blountsville	Blount	576	468	Gordo	Pickens	934	811	Pleasant Grove ¹	Jefferson ...	1,066	--
Blue Mountain	Calhoun	687	1,134	Gordon	Houston	327	299	Pollard	Escambia ...	339	304
Blue Springs	Barbour	167	164	Goshen	Pike	356	367	Ragland	St. Clair ...	1,070	981
Boaz	Marshall	1,927	1,691	Greensboro	Hale	2,034	1,795	Red Bay	Franklin ...	1,560	1,297
Boligee	Greene	241	178	Grove Hill	Clarke	730	491	Reform	Pickens	885	898
Bon Air ¹	Talladega ..	371	--	Guin	Marion	1,175	1,099	Red Level	Covington ..	516	445
Boston	Marion	591	522	Hackleburg	Marion	492	628	Repton	Conecuh	365	420
Brantley	Crenshaw ..	1,126	1,053	Haleburg	Henry	232	274	River Falls	Covington ..	413	556
Brent	Bibb	829	586	Haleyville	Winston	2,427	2,115	Riverside	St. Clair ...	135	131
Bridgeport	Jackson	2,031	2,124	Hamilton	Marion	1,002	695	Robertsdale	Baldwin ...	779	678
Brighton	Jefferson ...	1,377	1,708	Hammondville ¹	De Kalb	93	--	Rockford	Coosa	394	320
Brookside	Jefferson ...	714	466	Hanceville	Cullman	650	780	Rogersville	Lauderdale ..	508	445
Brundidge	Pike	1,909	1,434	Hartford	Geneva	1,494	1,419	Rutledge	Crenshaw ...	289	215
Butler	Choctaw	670	501	Headland	Henry	2,052	1,811	Samson	Geneva	2,182	1,656
Calera	Shelby	1,092	975	Heflin	Cleburne	1,684	1,231	Seale	Russell ...	289	335
Camden	Wilcox	909	697	Helena	Shelby	667	549	Searight	Crenshaw ...	133	114
Camp Hill	Tallapoosa ..	1,147	1,131	Hillsboro	Lawrence	292	240	Silverhill	Baldwin ...	270	314
Cardiff	Jefferson ...	246	146	Hobson City	Calhoun	508	404	Slocumb	Geneva	1,041	964
Carrollton	Pickens	626	569	Hodges	Franklin	260	247	Smith Hill	Bibb	280	240
Carrville	Tallapoosa ..	468	353	Holly Pond	Cullman	226	224	Springville	St. Clair ...	460	437
Castleberry	Conecuh	1,452	427	Hollywood	Jackson	311	274	Steppville	Cullman ...	415	(²)
Centerville	Bibb	893	791	Huntsboro	Russell	894	884	Stevenson	Jackson ...	793	733
Centre ¹	Cherokee	1,012	--	Irondale	Jefferson ...	1,486	1,517	Stroud	Chambers ...	125	396
Chapman	Butler	1,167	1,189	Jackson	Clarke	2,039	1,828	Sulligent	Lamar	1,287	1,078
Cherokee	Colbert	786	659	Jemison	Chilton	456	459	Summerdale	Baldwin ...	239	267
Childersburg	Talladega ..	515	459	Kennedy	Lamar	367	277	Talladega Springs ..	Talladega ...	150	118
Citronelle	Mobile	1,057	1,082	Kinston	Coffee	343	388	Tallassee	Elmore ...	1,011	849
Clayton	Barbour	1,813	1,717	Lafayette	Chambers ...	2,138	2,119	Thomaston	Marengo ...	345	377
Clio	Barbour	841	867	Leighton	Colbert	810	670	Thomasville	Clarke	2,000	1,504
Coffee Springs	Geneva	196	258	Lincoln	Talladega ..	420	429	Thorsby	Chilton ...	772	771
Coffeeville ¹	Clarke	250	--	Linden	Marengo	1,203	982	Town Creek	Lawrence ...	637	427
Collinsville	De Kalb	957	892	Lineville	Clay	1,300	1,329	Trinity	Morgan ...	249	208
Columbia	Houston	829	926	Lipscomb	Jefferson ...	1,740	1,774	Uniontown	Perry	1,869	1,424
Columbiana	Shelby	1,197	1,180	Lisman	Choctaw	545	521	Valley Head	De Kalb ...	439	430
Cordova	Walker	1,565	1,830	Livingston	Sumter	1,170	1,072	Vernon	Lamar	759	519
Cottonwood	Houston	600	410	Lookhart ¹	Covington ..	910	--	Vina	Franklin ...	472	448
Courtland	Lawrence ...	454	359	Louisville	Barbour	662	587	Vincent	Shelby ...	1,108	1,192
Crossville	De Kalb	436	316	Luverne	Crenshaw ...	2,243	1,874	Vredenburgh	Monroe ...	666	815
Cuba	Sumter	557	542	McKenzie	Butler	504	396	Wadley	Randolph ...	493	527
Dadeville	Tallapoosa ..	2,025	1,549	Madison	Madison ...	455	431	Walnut Grove	Etowah ...	206	216
Daphne	Baldwin	630	582	Madrid	Houston ...	229	279	Warrior	Jefferson ...	1,008	646
Daviston	Tallapoosa ..	124	144	Malvern	Geneva ...	190	207	Waterloo	Lauderdale ..	524	497
Dayton	Marengo	153	202	Marion	Perry	2,382	2,141	Waverly	Chambers ...	321	383
Dora	Walker	1,032	1,143	Mentone ¹	De Kalb ...	154	--	Webb	Houston ...	379	400
Dozier	Crenshaw ...	399	377	Midland City	Dale	647	755	Wedowee	Randolph ...	525	396
East Brewton	Escambia ...	1,840	1,002	Midway	Bullock ...	617	710	West Blocton	Bibb	1,317	1,070
Eclectic	Elmore	606	678	Millport	Lamar	700	714	Wilsonville	Shelby ...	749	770
Eden	St. Clair ...	329	206	Monroeville	Monroe ...	1,724	1,355	Wilton	Shelby ...	422	562
Edwardsville	Cleburne ...	194	226	Montevallo	Shelby ...	1,490	1,245	Winfield	Marion ...	1,662	1,254
Elba	Coffee	2,363	2,523	Mooresville	Limestone ..	129	114	Woodville	Jackson ...	183	196
Elkmont	Limestone ...	185	192	Moulton	Lawrence ...	752	639	York	Sumter ...	1,783	1,796
Epas	Sumter	328	362	Moundville	Hale	812	757				
Euola	Geneva	113	(²)	Muscle Shoals	Colbert ...	1,113	719				

¹ Incorporated since 1930. ² Not separately returned.³ Returned as Johns town in 1930.

The first edition of this release contained an incorrect figure (334) for the 1940 population of Castleberry. Correction of this figure does not affect any other figure in this release.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
BUREAU OF THE CENSUS
WASHINGTON

January 1942.

IMPORTANT: CENSUS BUREAU ANNOUNCES WARTIME ECONOMY

All officials and employees of the CENSUS BUREAU are determined to effect every reduction in non-Defense expenditures of the taxpayers' money that is at all possible, so there may be more funds and more material available for the supreme purpose of winning this war.

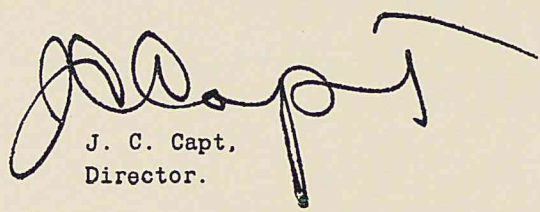
Accordingly, the general distribution of Census publications and other releases, as practiced in peacetime, is discontinued. Hereafter, reports will only be sent, when available, in response to specific, written requests which should briefly explain your need so that substitute material may be sent if the publication specifically requested is not available.

Because of the great variety of reports, some are already in process of being printed or in our stock room for distribution. Therefore, as your name now appears on our mailing list, you may, for a short time, continue to receive such reports in response to the pre-war requests you made for them. But after this pending distribution has been completed, no more reports will be forthcoming save those specifically requested by you hereafter.

In order that the purpose of the Bureau's action in limiting distribution of publications to save paper and expenses during the wartime period may not be defeated, you are earnestly requested to carefully evaluate your needs for Census publications and limit your future requests to an absolute minimum.

While our distribution of free Census publications is being cut to the bone, the Bureau realizes that the data it has assembled at the cost of many millions of dollars to the Federal government are of increased value as basic information for planning both for wartime operations and post-war readjustments. Therefore, so that interested persons may not be cut off entirely from access to the considerable range of Census publications as may be essential to them, the Bureau will continue supplying certain strategically located libraries with one complete file of Census publications. Upon request, the Bureau will be glad to furnish you with a list of the libraries in your State which maintain a file of Census publications.

You are reminded, also, that most of the final published Census reports may be purchased from the Superintendent of Documents, Government Printing Office, Washington, D. C. If you should need material on a wide range of subjects and do not find the publications readily available in the libraries most accessible to you, we shall be glad to supply you with a price list of publications on the subjects in which you are interested. Your orders and remittances must be transmitted directly to the Superintendent of Documents.



J. C. Capt.,
Director.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
BUREAU OF THE CENSUS
WASHINGTON 25

IN REPLY REFER TO:

March 19, 1951

Mr. C. A. Gaston, Secretary
Fairhope Single Tax Corporation
Fairhope, Alabama

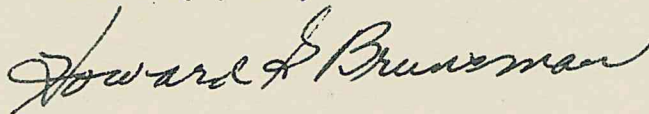
Dear Mr. Gaston:

In compliance with your request of February 23, we have placed your name on our mailing list to receive an announcement of the publication of the second series Population bulletin for Alabama when available next year.

With reference to your inquiry concerning the enumeration of college students, such students were counted in the 1950 Census as inhabitants of the community in which they lived while attending school and their returns will not be reallocated in the final count. Perhaps you will find of interest the enclosed memorandum from Dr. Philip M. Hauser to the Secretary of Commerce which sets forth the reasons for the change in our procedure for dealing with this class of the population.

Concerning the classification of Alabama cities and towns, this is a matter of State law and is not determined by the Census Bureau. According to our information, cities in Alabama are municipal corporations having 2,000 inhabitants or more.

Sincerely yours,



Howard G. Brunsman, Chief
Population and Housing Division
Bureau of the Census

Enclosures

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
BUREAU OF THE CENSUS
WASHINGTON 25

IN REPLY REFER TO:

February 19, 1951

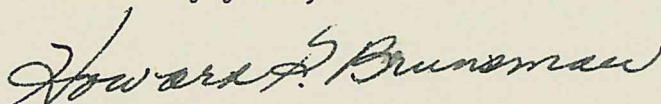
Mr. C. A. Gaston, Secretary
Fairhope Single Tax Corporation
Fairhope, Alabama

Dear Mr. Gaston:

In partial compliance with your request of February 7, there is enclosed a press release containing preliminary 1950 population figures for Alabama, by counties and incorporated places having 1,000 inhabitants or more.

I regret that 1950 statistics on the characteristics of the population of Fairhope will not become available until early in 1952. The desired information on the sex, race and nativity of the Fairhope population will be published in the second series Population bulletin for Alabama, which may be purchased through the Superintendent of Documents, Government Printing Office. If you wish, we shall be glad to place your name on our mailing list to receive announcement of the publication of this bulletin, or if you care to write us again next year, we shall be pleased to send you these statistics.

Sincerely yours,



Howard G. Brunsman, Chief
Population and Housing Division
Bureau of the Census

Enclosure

CONOCO TRAVEL BUREAU

NATIONAL FREE MOTOR TRAVEL SERVICE

Denver



OF THE CONTINENTAL OIL COMPANY

Colorado

August 2, 1938

Secretary
Civic Organization
Fairhope, Alabama

Dear Sir:

We are completely realigning and rewriting our Touraide for 1939, and we should like to have some information on Fairhope. We should like to have a description of this town and any other information that would be of interest to the motorist or would help us in directing tourists to this locality.

Also, we would appreciate your giving us the exact location of School of Organic Education.

As we are sending our new units to the printer in a few days, you may be sure we shall greatly appreciate an immediate reply. We are enclosing a self-addressed, stamped air-mail envelope for your convenience. Whenever we may serve you, the opportunity will be most welcome.

Very truly yours,

Joe H. Thompson
Joe H. Thompson, Director

AVS

Aug. 6, 1938.

Joe H. Thompson, Director,
Cononco Travel Bureau,
Denver, Colo.,

Dear Sir:-

In reply to your communication of the 3rd inst. I am sending you herewith some descriptive material on Fairhope.

Not mentioned in the literature is the fact that Fairhope has recently installed a sanitary sewer system serving a large part of the town and with the highest type of disposal plant, has greatly improved and extended its electric and water systems and constructed 5½ miles of hard surfaced roads in the town.

Hard surfaced county roads connect the town with every part of the surrounding country extending to the gulf of Mexico and on to Fort Morgan, marked with a red X on the sketch in the small folder. Also on the back page of the small folder you will find the information requested concerning the School of Organic Education.

We are happy to have your request and shall be glad to furnish information to you at any time. I wish to call to your attention the small printed folder "The Single Tax Colony at Fairhope, Ala."

Very truly yours,

Secretary.

April 30, 1948

Mrs. M. Conrad-Clark
1410 Grant Street
Berkeley, Calif.

Dear Mrs. Conrad-Clark:

I am enclosing a copy of our constitution which will inform you as to the requirements for membership in the Fairhope Single Tax Corporation. You will note, however, that ARTICLE XV provides for the participation of non-members as lessees. Non-member lesees are assured equal treatment in the distribution of benefits, except in ~~xxxxxx~~ the unhoped for event of dissolution.

Under separate cover I am sending you a little booklet descriptive of Fairhope and I am enclosing a copy of our 1947 annual report. Though Mrs. Johnson died some several years ago the school is still being conducted and current information can be secured by writing to Dr. John Campbell, Principal.

Very truly yours,

Secretary

1410 Grant St, Berkeley, California
April 20, 1948

Fairhope Single Tax Corporation,
Fairhope, Alabama -

Dear Sirs:

May I ask for information about
rules of admission to Fairhope Colony -
copy of constitution. I have been
interested in Mrs Johnson's educational
methods -

(Mrs) M. Conrad-Clark.

May 5, 1941

Mr. J. A. Conrow,
326 W. 35th St.,
Norfolk, Va.,

Dear Mr. Conrow:

I am in receipt of your letter addressed to Real Estate Manager, Fairhope, and enclose literature and forms concerning the practice of this corporation and under separate cover am sending you a sample copy of the Fairhope Courier on the back page of which you will find the cards of several local real estate dealers. Also under separate cover am sending you a booklet describing this section of the country and on pages 23 to 30 you will find special reference to Fairhope.

Fairhope is the largest town in the county and at the present time (and this has been the rule) is making more rapid progress than any other town or section. We feel sure that this is due to the fact that our corporation still has land that can be had without purchase price, permitting one to use his entire capital in providing improvements and to the fact that the purchase of improved properties involves only the purchase of improvements.

Our corporation does not deal in improved properties but has both town and country lands that can be had under our plan as set forth in the enclosed explanatory folder and the local real estate dealers list improved leaseholds and properties to which one can secure fee simple title.

I would suggest that if you can arrange to do so you pay us a visit and get first hand information before acquiring property.

Very truly yours,

Secretary.

May 2 1941.

The Realestate Manager

Fairhope , Alabama.

Dea r Sir;

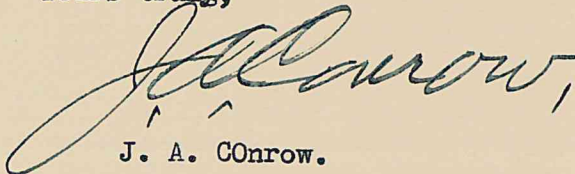
A few years past my Brothre was telling me of the many advantages of living in the neighborhood of Fairhope.

Just now the problem is to learn more of the situation there.

Could you drop me a line to let me know just what you now have to offer ?

Thanking you I beg to remain,

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "J. A. Conrow". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name.

J. A. CONrow.

326 W. 35th., St.,

Norfolk , Va.

MOBILE, ALABAMA

J. B. CONVERSE, PRESIDENT
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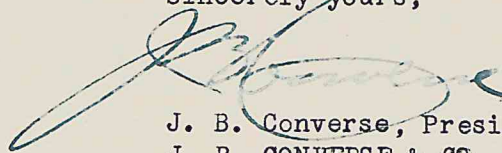
November 7, 1949

Mr. C. A. Gaston
Fairhope, Alabama

Dear Mr. Gaston:

Thank you very much for your letter of November 5,
and I am writing to Mr. Beebe.

Sincerely yours,



J. B. Converse, President
J. B. CONVERSE & CO., INC.

JBC:sf

Nov. 5, 1949

Mr. J. B. Converse, Pres.
J. B. Converse & Co., Inc.
106 St. Joseph St.
Mobile 6, Alabama

Dear Mr. Converse:

I, too, was surprised to learn that the Town Administration had engaged Goodwin Engineers, Inc., to make a survey for the extension of the Town's sanitary sewer system.

When the new administration took office last year I made offer to be of any service I could, but have not been called upon except for the street improvement work that was under construction, a large part of which was being paid for by our corporation.

I am rather surprised that Mr. W. C. Beebe, our attorney at the time you made the survey, did not call to their attention the fact that you had already done some work on the sewer project. It may be that he was not consulted and was not present at the council meeting when the Goodwin proposal was considered. They still retain Mr. Beebe, but also Elliot G. Rickarby Jr., a local attorney.

Fairhope has retained a surprising amount of its war time growth and many newly developed areas are more in need of sewer service than were some of those we supplied back in the thirties. The present system is already reported to be overloaded and the ~~syxt~~ area it serves is building up continually.

As I recall you made a preliminary report on sewer and water extensions and on some additional street paving improvement. A considerable amount of street work and water extension has been done without special engineering service and the water extension was done by the Town crew rather than contract, a practice that, as I recall, you agreed was practical.

At the present the only suggestion I can make is that you take the matter up with Mr. Beebe. I wish I was in position to be of more positive assistance.

Very truly yours,

Secretary

MOBILE, ALABAMA

J. B. CONVERSE, PRESIDENT
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ENGINEERS

106 ST. JOSEPH ST.

P. O. BOX 1084

MOBILE 6, ALABAMA

November 3, 1949

Mr. C. A. Gaston
Fairhope, Alabama

Dear Mr. Gaston:

As a friend of long standing, I am writing for some advice from you as to how we should proceed.

Back in the latter part of 1945 the Town of Fairhope had us prepare preliminary plans and estimates of cost covering proposed extension of water lines, sewers, and street paving, which you undoubtedly recall. It was decided that it was not appropriate at that time to go ahead with any of the work. This delay was agreeable to us because we knew that when the work was done we would proceed with the engineering services and we have never been paid for that part of the work that we did do.

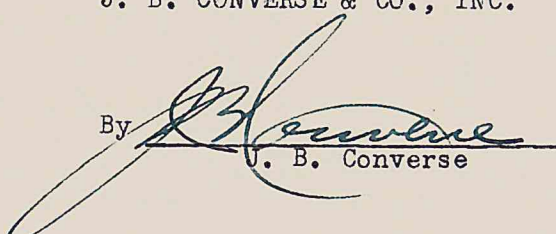
We are disturbed now to find that the Town of Fairhope has entered into a contract with another engineering firm for this same type of service.

I know you are not on the Board of Alderman now; but you and Mr. Ruge undoubtedly recall this situation that I describe herein and I would appreciate it very much if you could give me any suggestions as to how we should proceed.

Very truly yours,

J. B. CONVERSE & CO., INC.

By


J. B. Converse

JBC:sf

Jan. 3, 1940.

Mr. J. B. Converse,
Mobile, Alabama,

Dear Mr. Converse:-

This will introduce to you Mr. Robt. J. Nye. Since coming to Fairhope to make his home about a year ago Mr. Nye has done considerable surveying and map work for our corporation and we have found his work to be accurately and neatly done.

Of course we do not have enough work to keep a man of Mr. Nye's calibre busy and now that he has his home here in order he is in need of finding other employment. If you can use him in your organization I feel sure you will be well satisfied with his work and if not I feel that you will be altogether safe in recommending him to someone who does need such service as he is competent to give.

Assuring you of my personal appreciation of such consideration as you can give Mr. Nye and of my sincere wish for a prosperous 1940 for Converse & Co.,
I am,

Sincerely yours,

Dec. 24, 1940.

Mr. D. R. Cook,
Woodley Road,
Montgomery, Ala.,

Dear Mr. Cook:-

I have been wondering what may have happened to you and your oil leases. The question has come up here and I was unable to give any information. I would appreciate some word from you at your earliest convenience.

Very truly yours,

Secretary.

Aug. 4, 1939.

Mr. D. R. Cook,
Woodly Road,
Montgomery, Ala.

Dear Mr. Cook:

I am enclosing plate of the lands of.
The Fairhope Single Tax Corporation both within and
outside of the Town of Fairhope. Plots I have etched
with a red pencil do not belong to the Corporation;
this is all except a few scattered holdings, the
detailed description of which I could get for you
if you need it.

In Town, the lands east of Section St.,
are all in Section 17, Fairhope Ave. being on the
half section line. Land west of Section St., lies
for the greater part in Section 18.

I hope that this will give you the in-
formation you desire.

Very truly yours,

SECRETARY

CAG:HGC

BY DIRECT WIRE FROM

1222

CLASS OF SERVICE

This is a full-rate Telegram or Cablegram unless its deferred character is indicated by a suitable sign above or preceding the address.

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PRESIDENT

NEWCOMB CARLTON
CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD

J. C. WILLEVER
FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT

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Dated MONTGOMERY ALABAMA. 8-4-39 19

To C. A. GASTON

PLEASE MAIL ME QUICKLY COPY OF LEASE CONTAINING DISCRPTION

OF LAND WE DISCUSSED IF YOU HAVEN'T COPY OF LEASE SEND ME DISCRPTION

OF LAND CONTAINED THERIEN ADRESS WOOLLY ROAD MONTGOMERY

D. R. COOK

THE COMPANY WILL APPRECIATE SUGGESTIONS FROM ITS PATRONS CONCERNING ITS SERVICE

IN TWP. 6 S, R 2 E--SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ Sec. 1; Sec. 2 except NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$

March 19, 1941

Miss Dorothy G. Cook,
McKenzie, Alabama,

Dear Miss Cook:

Your letter to the Mayor was handed me for reply. I am not altogether clear as to just what information you want but will answer as best I can and if you want additional information I shall be glad to give it.

Fairhope's tax revenue comes from two sources. It levies five mills on the assessed value of all property both real and personal for the general expense of the municipal government. This levy is by authority of a general law applying to all municipalities in Alabama. In addition there is a five mill levy which the citizens of Fairhope have authorized the administration to collect and use for the specific purposes of fire protection, maintenance of public property, street work, etc. This authority has been given by the citizens at special elections, under the authority of a special legislative act applying to certain towns in Alabama, among which is Fairhope.

This additional five mill levy was first authorized some fifteen years ago, I believe. The authority expires after five years but the voters at the end of each five year period have voted to continue for another five years. The last election authorizing this levy was held last fall.

There are grounds both for and against calling Fairhope a Single Tax Colony. Fairhope came into existence as a Single Tax Colony but the colonists with their meagre funds were only able to purchase a relatively small area of land and only the land to which the Fairhope Single Tax Corporation holds title is affected by the Single Tax principles. This land constitutes a little less than one-fourth the area of municipal Fairhope, though probably three-fourths or more of the citizens occupy those lands and the Corporation's lands and the improvements thereon account for approximately ~~three-fourths~~ of the assessed valuations on the municipal tax books.

I am enclosing some literature and forms which will inform you as to how the Fairhope Single Tax Corporation operates and I invite such further questions as may occur to you. I also enclose a draft of a statement prepared for advertising space purchased by this corporation in this years Fairhope High School Seniors' Annual.

Very truly yours,

Secretary.

MCKENZIE HIGH SCHOOL

OFFICE OF THE PRINCIPAL

MCKENZIE, ALA

March 10, 1941

Mayor of Fairhope
Fairhope, Alabama

Dear Sir:

I am a student of McKenzie High School, McKenzie, Alabama, and have been assigned by the principal of this school to write you and ask for the following information:

1. Could you give me some information in regards to our tax program that we have had for the last ten or fifteen years.
2. Is it a single tax colony or not, and if it is, how does it operate?

If you could give me this information it would be deeply appreciated not only by myself, but by the whole American Democracy class of this school.

Yours truly,

Dorothy S. Cook

Dorothy G. Cook

DGC

For H. Gaston
[Signature]

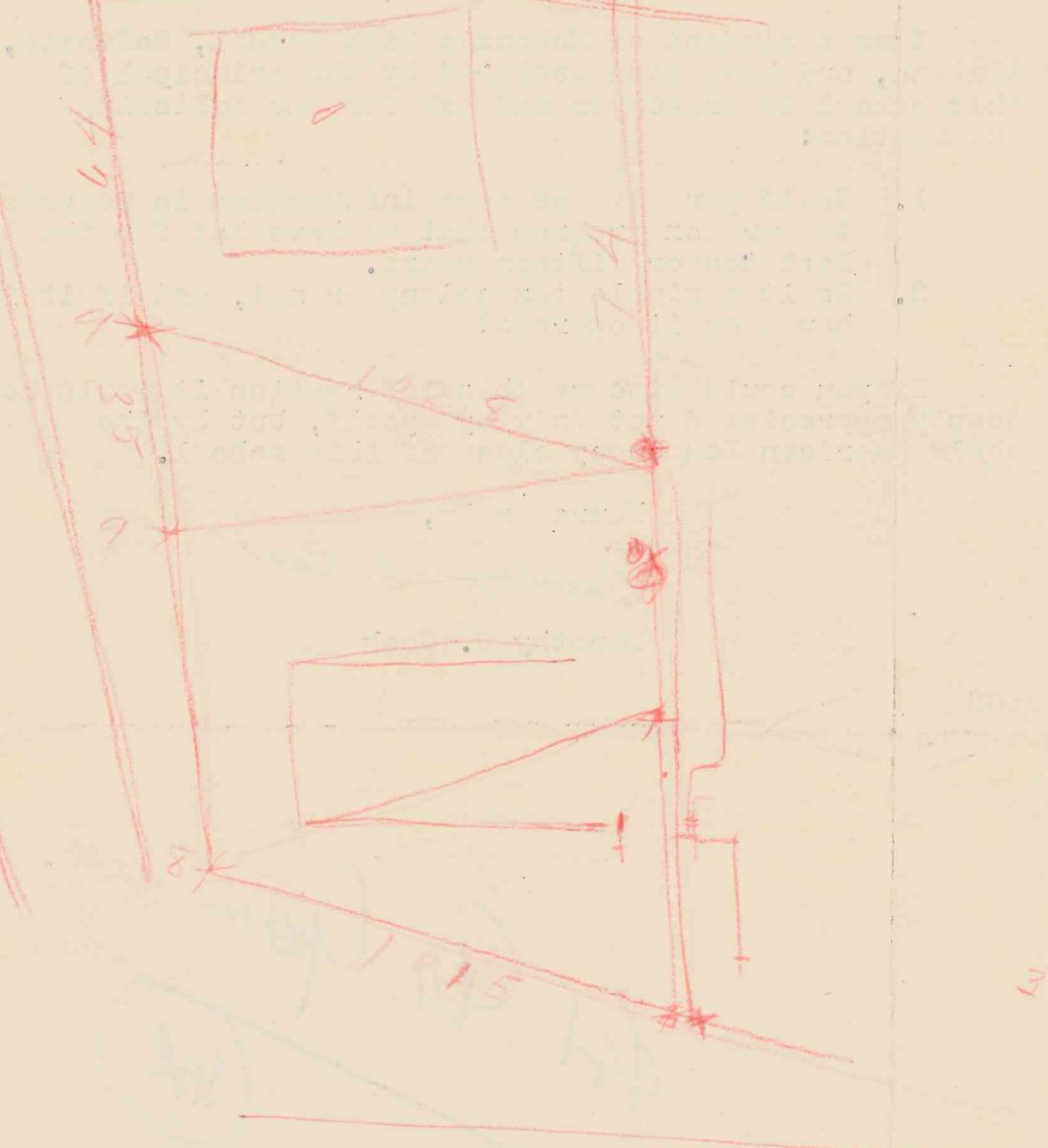
MCKENZIE HIGH SCHOOL

GRADE OF THE BUILDING

MCKENZIE, ALA.

NOV 10, 1915

Survey of Building
Foundation



June 24, 1938.

Mr. T. M. Cook,
R. 1, Section, Ala.,
R.
Dear Sir:-

I very much regret that your communication of Dec. 29 was mislaid and has just come to light.

Our supply of unimproved unleased land of fair quality for farming is extremely low at the present time. We have however about sixty to eighty acres three to four miles from town which is of fair quality. On a part of this there is some clearing for which there would be a minimum charge of \$10.00 per acre and some timber for which there would probably be a minimum charge of fifty cents a cord for wood and \$5.00 a thousand for saw timber. We have very little if any land that is absolutely bare, with nothing on it of any value.

The rents on these lands range from 90¢ per acre to \$1.50. While our plan greatly reduces the amount of capital necessary for a start and eliminates many of the heavy carrying charges which a property owner must bear where he owns in fee simple his land, one must have some resources with which to make a start. I hope you or some of your friends will have an opportunity to come to Fairhope and make personal investigation. I shall, however, be glad to answer any further inquiries you may care to make.

Very truly yours,

Secretary.

Scottsboro, R. 1, Ala.

Dec. 29, 1938.

Mr. C. A. Gaston,

Fairhope, Ala.

Dear Sir:

I have not your letter at hand but hope I have your message right.

I have heard from people with improved leases to sell, but ~~it~~ they are too high. I do not mean it is more than they are worth.

What I would like to know is what you can furnish in the way of unimproved pieces, say 10 to 20 acres of fair farming land for the community, also the rental value.

I hope I can send you some one to take a lease.

Kind stamp for reply.

I am studying some other of the Henry George books and like them very much.

Respectfully,

T. M. Cook.

Oct. 19, 1937

Mr. T. M. Cook
Section, Ala.

Dear Sir:

The Single Tax Corporation has some un-
leased land for lease at a moderate rental, 85¢
to \$1.50 per acre, the distance from town varying
from 2½ to 4 miles.

I believe the James place you speak of
is still for sale and there are other improved
leaseholds in that neighborhood, as well as
closer to town, that can be purchased. I am not
informed as to the prices or the terms and sug-
gest that your nephew write to the following
local real estate dealers: Carl L. Bloxham,
G. E. Perkins, Capt. Jos Pose, R. C. Keeney.
These dealers have both colony and deeded pro-
perties and I suggest he state that he is par-
ticularly interested in the purchase of im-
provements on colony land.

Very truly yours,

Secretary

CAG/mg

Section, R. 1. Ala

Oct 9, 1937

Mr. C. A. Gaston,
Fairhope, Ala.

Dear Mr. G.

I have your letter of Feb. 4th.
Pleased with it, and if it ~~to~~ were
not for my age, I would likely
move down there.

I write to you on behalf of
my nephew by marriage.
He wants a farm of about 20 acres,
he might take some more or some
less, for one man and mule.
He might prefer it near the town
or might take it farther. I wrote
you for lands convenient to the town
and the Baker church. I do not
suppose he would be particular about
the latter.

When I was there I stayed
for awhile with an old gentleman
and his wife, by the name of
James I think. They wanted to sell

out. There was another place near
them, leased by a widow and or
her son for sale for \$200,000.

I would be glad to know what
you can do in renting farm
land unless, or buying a lease
cheap, and if there are many
unleased places to choose from.

An early reply will greatly
oblige.

Kind enclosed stamp.

Sincerely,

J. M. Cook.

M. Dyson

xxxxxxx

C. A.

xx

Feb. 10, 1937

Mr. T. M. Cook
Section , P. L., Ala.

Dear Sir:

In reply to your inquiry I feel sure that you could find what you want here. The Single Tax Corporation has a large variety of lots in town at very moderate rentals. In the vicinity you mention, that is, east of town, there are several improved properties that you could purchase from the owner but you would have to talk terms with them. The Corporation also has a little unleased land in that section but I do not believe they would want to lease it in 5 acre tracts. I am enclosing copy of our lease contract and application for same.

Rents outside of town at the present time range from 75¢ to \$3.00 an acre. There are some acre tracts in town renting for about \$6.00 an acre. Lots in town generally 66x132 ft. rent for from \$3.00 a lot upward.

Very truly yours,

Secretary

CAG/mg

Cotton, R. I. Ala.
Jan. 27, 1936.

Mr. C. A. Gaston.

Secretary S. T. C., Fairhope, Ala.
Dear Sir,

I hope I have your name right.
I am contemplating going to Fairhope,
I am not sure of it. If I go I think
I shall want a farm of 5 to 10 acres near
town, that is, within a mile or so. I
might take even a smaller place
nearest to town.

as to direction from town, possibly
I would like best to go in the direction
of the Friends' Church.

Please let me know if you have
much ^{farm} land to rent, also many lots in
town and the size and terms. I send you a
stamp for reply, torn, but like the carrier
gave me. Respectfully,

J. M. Cook (Over)

P.S. I might prefer a unimproved
land.

October 28, 1940.

Editor, Fairhope Courier,
Fairhope, Ala.

Dear Sir:

The Fairhope citizenry, being above the average in intelligence, may see further ahead than the ancient "bread and circus" solution of the problem. They may prefer high principles, the fight for real freedom, and incidentally, resent the contemptuous pushing aside of the Georgist ideas in favor of a subversive Marxian philosophy.

Free access to land, as we know it, means a continuing free people. F. D. R. scorns this and takes advantage of the situation to achieve what he now calls a "free government"- an entirely different thing.

Print this Mr. Editor, and let's have both sides of the story.

Very truly yours,

A. E. B.

(A. E. Cooper)
New Orleans, La.

A Third Term?

Yes!



EARL BROWDER
Communist Candidate for
President of the U.S.

"The tradition against a third term in the presidency must be set aside."



**BOSS
EDWARD J. KELLY**
Mayor of Chicago

"I suppose I was one of the very first to go on record for a third term."



BOSS FRANK HAGUE
Mayor of Jersey City, N.J. and Vice-Chairman, Democratic National Committee.

"Absolutely 100% for a third term for Mr. Roosevelt."



HAROLD L. ICKES
Secretary of the Interior.

"But, after all, what is a 'sacred tradition' among friends?"

No!

**GEORGE
WASHINGTON**



Declined a third term and thereby set the precedent of a two term limit for President.

THOMAS JEFFERSON



"Should a President consent to be a candidate for a third election, I trust he would be rejected on this demonstration of ambitious views."

ANDREW JACKSON



"It would seem advisable to limit the service of the Chief Magistrate to a single term of either four or six years."

WOODROW WILSON



"It is intolerable that any President should be permitted to determine who should succeed him—himself or another."

DEMOCRATIC PLATFORM OF 1896

"We declare it to be the unwritten law of this Republic, established by custom and usage of one hundred years, and sanctioned by the greatest and wisest of those who founded and have maintained our government, that no man should be eligible for a third term of the Presidential office."

3539 S. 40 - Lincoln, Neb.

March 19, 1941

The Courier.

Fairhope, Alabama

Gentlemen:

I have just been reading about
the Fairhope Colony in Professor
Lidia's book - Communist and
cooperative colonies.

Please send me a sample
copy of your publication.

If any bulletins or books
are put out by your colony
I'd be pleased to learn
about them, if convenient
for you. Thanks,

Yours truly
mailed here and
forwarded Mar. 24, 1941

C. A. Gustin, Sec.

Leo B. Cooper

THE COOPERATIVE DISTRIBUTING CO., Inc.

Office and Warehouse: 207 Commerce Street

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CEDAR 3446

BUYING WHOLESALE SELLING

MONTGOMERY, ALA.

March 11, 1938

Dr. C. A. Gaston
Fairhope, Alabama

Dear Dr. Gaston:

I trust you will pardon the delay in my answer to your letter of March 3rd, but I have been expecting every day to make a trip to Fairhope and personally discuss the matters with you contained in your letter.

Mr. Childress of Citronelle did come by to see me and we had a very interesting conversation and I promised to let him know in a few days if there were any possibilities of working out a proposition with him.

I will endeavor to come to Fairhope one day next week and expect to notify Mr. Childress to meet me there and we will see what we can work out to our mutual advantages.

Thanking you for your interest in the matter, I am,

Yours very truly,

THE COOPERATIVE DISTRIBUTING CO., INC.

By



A. Delpey

D/g

March 3, 1938

The Cooperative Distributing Co., Inc.,
Montgomery, Ala.

Attn: Mr. A. Delpy

Gentlemen:

One day last week a Mr. Childress, of Citronelle, I believe called here enquiring of the possibilities of leasing the canning plant here. He said that he had adequate capital to carry on the work and would like to prepare for this season's crop.

I told him it would be necessary to deal through your organization but assured him of local cooperation in facilitating such arrangements as you were prepared to make.

I am informed that he returned here a few days ago though I did not get to see him. From other sources I learn that he reported that you could give him little encouragement or showed little interest in his proposition.

If this is the case I am sure you must have had good reason. We are anxious to take advantage of any feasible proposition to secure the continuation of the plant here and to get it in operation as early as possible.

I would be very glad to hear from you concerning this matter.

Very truly yours,

Fairhope, Ala.
June 21, 1937

The Cooperative Distributing Co., Inc.,
Mr. A. Delpey, Accountant-in-Charge,
Montgomery, Ala.

Dear Mr. Delpey:

I am in receipt of your two communications of the 17th inst., and will reply first to the one regarding my resignation.

I believe you know that I accepted the position of vice-president on solicitation by members of the group and of the board with the understanding that I could not consent to serve as president except in the capacity of chairman at meetings and to act for the president, under his instructions, when it might be necessary for him to be absent.

While I have and have always had a most sincerely sympathetic interest in the aims of the local group, of the supporting state institutions and of the national cooperative program, I am and have been so burdened with other obligations that I cannot give the thought and attention necessary to act intelligently and with fairness to all parties, in an executive capacity.

I am much interested in your statement that you have expectations of reopening the plant on a permanent basis and I assure you that I shall be glad to give all reasonable cooperation in aiding you to realize such expectations. If you could come down here and meet with the board, of which I am still a member, I feel that we could come to an understanding and supply the necessary executive officer. Perhaps Mr. Stimpson, since he is the only remaining officer and since he is in closer touch with the productive activities of the group could act in the capacity of the executive officer until such officer is selected.

In regard to the use of the shop by Mr. Ellis I feel sure that he is altogether trustworthy and that his more or less frequent entering on the premises is a protection to our property there rather than otherwise. There again I, whose association with the group is in the nature of philosophical communion rather than sharing the physical burdens do not feel competent to tell a worker where to "head in." If Mr. Ellis' services in keeping a watch on our property is not sufficient to pay for his use of same perhaps he should be charged some of the credits he has earned in previous services.

Assuring you of my interest and desire to give such assistance as my time and capacity permits, I am

Sincerely yours,

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June 17, 1937

Mr. C. A. Gaston,
Fairhope, Alabama.

Dear Sir:

I have been advised that Mr. Ellis has keys to the Woodworking Shop and is using the shop for personal purposes, which of course, is not in line with the rules and regulations governing the Cooperative group.

I will, therefore, appreciate it very much if you will request Mr. Ellis to turn over these keys to Mrs. Courtney so that the shop and plant may be entirely in her hands and responsibility of same be placed upon her.

Yours very truly,



A. Delpey
Accountant-in-Charge

AD/FP

CC: Mrs. Erle Courtney

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MONTGOMERY, ALA.

June 17, 1937

Mr. C. A. Gaston,
Fairhope, Alabama.

Dear Mr. Gaston:

I was very much surprised to receive your letter of June 16th stating that you wished to offer your resignation as Vice-President of the Fairhope group.

I feel that although the group is not active at this time, that they have great possibilities for future activities, and if possible, I expect to make arrangements for reopening the plant and operating it upon a permanent basis in the very near future and I believe your withdrawal from the office you now hold will be a great loss to the group aswell as a severe handicap to the plans which I have in mind.

I trust that you will hold your resignation in abeyance for a short while until I am able to make a trip to Fairhope, which I believe will be before the end of this month.

Yours truly,



A. Delpey,
Accountant-in-Charge

AD/FP

June 16, 1937

Mr. A. Delpey
200 Commerce St.
Mobile, Ala.

Dear Sir:

This is to advise you that I resigned as vice-president of the board of directors of the A.C.I. Group # 1 at a recent meeting.

The president, Mr. Funk having previously resigned and his office not having been filled, the duties of the president fell upon me and I do not feel closely enough in touch with the business and other affairs concerning the organization here to intelligently perform even such limited services as the office now requires.

In discussing the matter of selecting new officers no one felt that we had enough information as to our present equities and authority to competently fill the positions. We would appreciate your coming down and meeting with the full membership of the Board so that we may act with understanding. We will appreciate an early reply.

Very truly yours

CAG/mg

The Cooperative Distributing Co., Inc.,
Montgomery, Ala.

Enterprise: Attention Mr. A. Duff:

One day last week a Mr. Leibel-
Bress, of Citronelle, I believe called here
inquiring of the possibility of leasing
the canning plant here. He said that
he had adequate capital to carry
on the work and would like to prepare
for this season's crops.

I told him it would be nec-
essary to let through your organiza-
tion but assured him of local coop-
eration in facilitating such arrange-
ments as you were prepared to
make.

I am informed that he
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little interest in his proposition.

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sure you must have had good
reason. We are anxious to take
advantage of any feasible propo-
sition to secure the continuation
of the plant here and to get it
in operation as early as possible.

I would be very glad to hear
from you concerning this matter.

Very truly yours

Vice-Pres.

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MONTGOMERY, ALA.

January 4, 1938

Fairhope Single Tax Corporation
Fairhope, Alabama

Gentlemen:

Re: Alabama Cooperative Industries, Inc.
Group #1, Fairhope, Alabama

We are inclosing our check #124 under date of December 31,
1937 in the amount of \$43.78 to cover the above account.
Please mail us a receipt to cover same.

Yours very truly,

THE COOPERATIVE DISTRIBUTING CO., INC.

By

O. A. Golson
O. A. Golson

G/g
Enc.

Verify Second half 1937 20x20 43.78

If the cooperative has the
right to remove buildings

Dr Gaston:

Mr Godwin asked me to request
you to write Mr Dalbey and have
him answer the two questions above,
as soon as convenient.

S. A. Ellis

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Jan. 6, 1938.

The Cooperative Distributing Co., Inc.,
Montgomery, Ala.,

Dear Sirs: Attention Messrs. O. A. Golson
 and A. Delpey

A memorandum was left at my office by Mr. S. A. Ellis requesting a verification of our rent bill of \$43.78 and asking if the Cooperative Distributing Co. has the right to remove the buildings.

The rent item is correct and am sending you herewith our treasurer's receipt for that amount, the receipt stating that the land rent is now paid in full for the year 1937.

If it is desired to remove the buildings and surrender the lease it will be necessary for the Alabama Cooperative Industries, Inc., Group 1, in whose name the lease is issued to turn in their lease with an endorsement to that effect and to pay six months rent, the surrender to be finally effective at the end of the six months period. Should any improvements remain on the leasehold after the surrender becomes effective such improvements become the property of the Single Tax Corporation except where otherwise provided for or rent on the land be resumed.

Very truly yours,

Secretary.

May 13, 1938

Mr. A. Delpey
Butler Canning Co., Inc.,
Greenville, Ala.

Dear Mr. Delpey:

Yours of the 9th inst. received and I am trying to stir up interest in several quarters.

I will let you hear from me as soon as I have something to report.

Most of those I have spoken to state they failed to see the advertisement.

With best personal regards and assurance of my assistance in every way possible, I am

Very truly yours,

Secretary

CAG/mg

BUTLER CANNING COMPANY, Inc.

Office, Warehouse and Plant: 209 Conecuh Street

Packers of the "BUTLER BRAND" Food Products
GREENVILLE, ALABAMA

May 9th, 1938.

Dr. C. A. Gaston,
Fairhope Alabama.

Dear Dr. Gaston:

Since last talking to you things have taken a number of changes some for the better but most of them for the worst.

You, in all probability, were aware of the request for bids on the Co-operatives buildings there in Fairhope and for your information I wish to tell you that all bids were rejected as they were so far out of line that I didn't think it justifiable to sell them at the price. I was very much surprised that I did not receive a bid from anyone in your section of the State as I felt that someone there could make better use of the buildings than anyone else.

Do you think that anyone there would be interested in buying the buildings if I would come down there and take the matter up in person with them? It seems to me that someone there could convert them into a warehouse or a shop of some sort if they could be bought at the proper price, or there is a certain amount of value in the material if the buildings were demolished and sold to parties around Fairhope that would be worthy of consideration.

I would appreciate an expression from you in this regard or would like to have any suggestion you might care to make to me that will help to dispose of this matter.

With kind personal regards, I am

Yours very truly,

A. Delpey, Agent.

AD/d.

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///MONTGOMERY, ALA.//

P. O. Box #337.

Greenville, Ala.

5/14/38

Dr. C. A. Gaston,
Fairhope, Alabama.

Dear Dr. Gaston:

I appreciate very much the interest you are taking in the Fairhope buildings and will be glad to hold the matter open until I hear from you again. I thank you for the letter.

Yours very truly,


A. Delpey.

AD/d.

Oct. 31, 1946

Mr. Gilbert Cope
P. O. Box 71,
West Chester, Pa.

Dear Mr. Cope:

I am in receipt of your letter of the 19th complimenting my article in the Henry George News and outlining to me your efforts. I have noted from other sources that there appear to be a considerable number proposing decentralization. I believe your section of the country with its higher development of industry should be fruitful of such accomplishment as can be expected. I also believe effort along such line will have its possibility of success enhanced if it be founded on the Henry George principle of land value taxation. I regret that Fairhope is a full time job and it does not appear practical for me to dissipate my effort and interest elsewhere to the extent of such effort being effective. All I can do is to further enlighten you on our effort here and its accomplishment.

I was only three when my father and mother came here with a very small group of associates to found this demonstration. Both are dead now and I do not know what pattern they expected would develop. Evidently (See Constitution ARTICLE II) they anticipated that a large part of the productive activities would be directed through cooperative organization. However this has not been the case. In the early days some essential services that promised so little return no individual cared to take the risk, were cooperatively managed and instituted, but were abandoned as soon as competitive private enterprise became available to supply the service. Later voluntary cooperative groups instituted a cooperative store and a creamery but both failed to offer a service superior to that offered by individual private enterprise and both were abandoned.

You will note that our constitution confers on the corporation quite broad and varied powers, but at the present it concerns itself with nothing other than the administration of the land to the extent of collecting and placing in the common treasury its annual rental value and from thence dispensing it in the common interest of all lessees. There is no incentive to seek favoritism in the distribution of benefits since every added public improvement is reflected by an increase in the rent on the lands most particularly benefitted. Misuse of funds or other failure of the officers to properly conduct the affairs of the corporation are protected by the right of the membership to call for referendum expression of the members or recall of the officers.

You will note in ARTICLE XVI of the constitution that the gaurantees of individual freedom made impractical any fixed pattern. I blieve that is one of the keys to Fairhope. It has been my observation that patterns change as conditions change and it is hardly to be conceived that a pattern adopted in 1894 would have met the needs of today. Had an attempt been made at that time to establish a pattern there would surely have been a rupture when change became necessary and each succeeding change would have introduced the hazard of a new rupture always with the possibility of its being fatal.

It is my judgment that the principle factors in Fairhope's success are its land policy and its devotion to the principle of the inviolability of individual freedom. Both have been attacked. I feel sure though that the reward for their support is the Fairhope we have today and what it promises to become tomorrow. Under separate cover I am sending you material I believe you will find of interest and I want to assure you my best wishes for your efforts go with it.

Sincerely yours,

Secretary

10-19-1946

C. A. Gaston,
Fairhope, Alabama

Dear Friend:

I noticed with interest
the article on Fairhope
in the last issue of
"Henry George News" and
agree with the late John
C. Rose of Pittsburgh that
H. George can be spread
by enclaves. Was very

approving of the last ⁽²⁾
sentence in the article
and enclose a circular
indicating my efforts in
this direction although
I realize the Bible teaches
the sin and failure of
man in such matters.

I shall be very happy
to be put in touch with
those who would con-
tribute to this fund

and hope you will send ⁽³⁾
a few dollars.

It does not seem that
Georgian Trust is the
channel to work with
tho I fully approve its
aims. It seems too legal
and complicated. Perhaps, tho,
I am mistaken. I believe
that if the money invested
in land at Arden had
revolved instead of being a
gift that there would be

now a larger number (4)
of Georgeist Communities.

I believe a community
of 150,000 would be
a very good demonstration,
if with normal manufacturing
enterprises, up-to-date
radio developments, etc.

Could you transfer
the major portion of your
investments to single taxed
soil? Sincerely,
Gilbert Cope

A Community for the Self-employed

Theories of economic, social and political justice should be followed by concrete and definite action. There are many ways proposed to do this. For example, it is very popular nowadays for men to look to the government to initiate and make effective social reforms. While there may be some possibilities in this direction, it is doubtful if much can be hoped for from this source, as government often tends to bureaucratic inertia. However, there is a slight ray of hope in the fact that Prime Minister Winston Churchill has expressed himself on several occasions in favor of the nationalization of the location-value of land, and there are of the same mind some 50 labor members of the British Parliament. If Churchill retains his position as Prime Minister and the influence of the Labor Party increases following the ending of hostilities, there is a chance that the nationalization of Rent will be tried effectively in England thus encouraging free competitive enterprise, with lessened exploitation in that country. In America Henry Ford has come out with similar views.

Following the abolition of slavery in the British Colonies in 1838 many of the slaves were settled on tracts of land to avoid the low wages and ejections which the former slave-owners wished to maintain. And, today, so long as the threat of 19 million jobless after the present war faces us, it is felt that cooperative homesteading communities can be a means of relieving post-war conditions. These should be opened first preferably to believers in economic freedom and graduates from schools teaching

these principles and to the unemployed and poorly paid.

A Model Community

A modern homesteading community should provide:

- (1) A large enough area to maintain a complete community unit with a village and surrounding farms, parks and woodlands.
- (2) Jobs at good wages made possible by the abundant use of versatile, small, power-using factories engaged in producing primary needs as food, clothes and building materials.
- (3) Full collection for community use of the location-value of land and the complete abolition (insofar as possible) of all other direct levies on the community.
- (4) Equal political authority of all residents.
- (5) The sharing of patents and copyrights with the community.
- (6) An efficient distribution of production.
- (7) Means for automatic expansion of the settlement in an entirely different locality.

Suppose that \$20,000 has been raised for such a project. A reasonable and proper expenditure of such money, determined by local conditions, might be as follows:

For the purchase of <i>land</i>	\$5,000
For the purchase of <i>labor</i>	\$4,000
For operating <i>capital</i> and machinery...	\$10,000
General Account	\$1,000
TOTAL	\$20,000

In order to be reasonably stable, it is suggested that such a colony should not comprise less than 400 acres nor eventually about 3 or 4 persons per acre leaving room for gardens, fruit trees and workshops. It has been thought desirable to secure a gently-rolling location away from metropolitan centers, located on or near to limestone, iron or coal deposits if these can be had, somewhere in eastern Pennsylvania. Other colonies could be established in the South and West.

Decentralized Political Pattern

Each lease-holder and members of their families should have an equal say as to the expenditure of the communities' Rent, after the payment of all direct taxes, no officers or Board with legislative powers being permitted. To avoid trouble and misunderstanding the total Rent collected could be fixed at 110% of all direct taxes levied on the community. And these taxes are to be paid by the Trustees, out of the Rents, their duties in this respect being rigidly fixed by a Deed of Trust. The excess 10% will provide a separate and distinct fund for colony use, the payment of the secretary of the Trustees, the Trustees themselves receiving no compensation. This fund would also be used for any other purposes of such a PUBLIC nature that they do not give one group or individual an advantage over others. Excess Rental moneys will be spent not in accordance with the will of any majority but in accordance with the number of voters that can combine their shares of the Rent to secure any public project in which they are interested. All such orders to be ordered from whatever group will undertake the work through the Trustees. In this way a political

machine in the colony will be avoided.

Facilities for Extension

It is suggested that as each colonist accepts his lease, after signing an application, he shall pay to the Trustees \$5 and the original price of the land he or she intends to occupy as an entrance fee within three months, this to become a revolving fund for the establishment of a new colony as soon as the quota of the first community has been filled. Such fees and also Rents may be worked-out by those who have little or no money.

All other money invested in this decentralist community for modern and efficient power-producing and power-consuming machinery shall be interest-bearing at possibly 5% and be issued in shares of perhaps \$10 and \$100.*

If an experiment along the lines above should prove successful, the way would be paved for the establishment of thousands of such little communities with their intimate social life, and business and factory centers, until the time should come when a definite sentiment for the new system should be established and political action to free larger areas could be undertaken. It is felt such work should be advanced at once.

Contributions, orders and inquiries may be sent to Gilbert Cope, Box 71, West Chester, Pa.

Revised 12-44. 5 cents a copy, 25 copies for 20 cents.

Problems for Discussion

1. How can rural communities be best used to educate the public in the principles for which they stand? Would this be likely to lead to political action?
2. Is high speed automatic machinery desirable in a rural community or should individuality be expressed in hand tools, looms, etc.
3. Should absentee investors have a voice in the investment of money for community benefit? If so what?
4. How can homesteads help persecuted minorities and refugees most effectively? Would you favor a community with both white and colored persons? Why?
5. Should capital funds for colony improvement be in the hands of a group separate from the trustees in order to prevent centralized control? Give reasons.
6. Should persons not in sympathy with the purposes of the trustees be permitted to vote? Is voting, involving the coercion of a minority a democratic and just procedure?
7. If voluntary cooperative community industries are established would patronage dividends be desirable or should earnings be distributed only as wages and interest?
8. Should community funds be used to purchase patents?
9. How would you suggest that the community fight against unjust laws and regulations such as the poll tax, interstate restrictions on trade and military conscription?
10. Make other suggestions of your own on the other side of this sheet.

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SUBSCRIPTION FORM

Gilbert Cope,
P. O. Box 71,
West Chester, Pa.

Date _____

I am interested in semirural communities. I enclose \$_____ as my contribution. I also wish to invest \$_____ to be used to benefit new homesteaders. I believe the following person might be interested in purchasing a lease in the new community.

Name _____ Address _____

My Name is _____

Address _____

☐ Please send literature to names on other side.

2007 West 3d Street, L.A., Calif.
May 3 —

Dear "Corrie":

Some of these days I am
going to write you all a real letter
but at this moment I am writing
to ask a favor - (if you are perfectly
willing to grant it) in behalf of a
German refugee (not Jewish). He had
business dealings with Herr Hitler in
former days - Later he displeased
der Fuhrer and had to leave the

Country. He is now living under
an assumed name, changing
residence frequently. We have
had a German friend of ours - a
resident of U. S. for 30 yrs - question
him closely in German (his English
is as yet very limited) and we feel
fairly certain of his genuine ness.
All he wants is to enclose his letters
to his wife and friends in a large
envelope & mail them to you, who
removes cover & sticks them in the
mail. When return mail comes
it will be addressed to you, who

again sticks it into a large envelope
and addresses it to me. He calls
here for it. If any question arises
he changes again. He had first
mail sent to N. Y. C. Authorities must
not know that he lives in Calif.

He intends to become a citizen.
His business is scenic advertising
for "trippers." He deals from the corporation end.

I heard of Mrs. Johnson's passing, with

a feeling of sincere regret. She had many qualities of greatness.

I think of you all often and wonder how tall Paul is.

Think over my suggestion and do not comply if you have any doubts.

Cordially and sincerely
Elizabeth W. Burbank.

Jan. 27, 1939.

Mr. Wm. A. Cornell,
Macalester College,
St. Paul, Minn.,

Dear Sir:-

In reply to yours of Jan. 21, I enclose a folder which gives a very good summary of community activities and social resources. The churches having active organizations here are the Christian, Methodist, Episcopal, Baptist, Christian Science and Roman Catholic. Under separate cover I am sending some additional printed matter which will give you information concerning rainfall, temperature, etc.

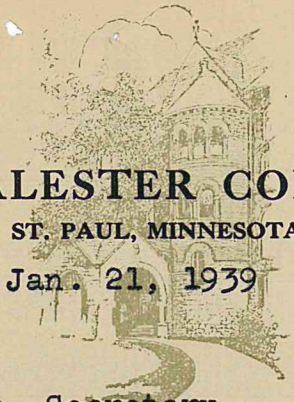
Residence lots in the town rent for \$10.00 upwards to \$70.00 and have an average size of 66 ft. frontage by 132 ft. deep. The higher priced lots are on the bay front and are limited in number. Lots just around the corner on the side streets may be had for about one-third the rate charged for the lots on the front street. I should say that the average rate on residence lots of the above dimensions is between twenty and thirty dollars per year.

Country lands rent for from \$5.00 to \$2.75 annually per acre. There are frequent opportunities to purchase improved holdings from present owners at a very fair value and the costs of building here are generally lower than they are in your part of the country and I should say that a small house could be built for from \$1,000.00 up depending on the character of construction.

There are cottages available for rent in all sections of the town and the rents range from \$15.00 to \$40.00 monthly for season leases. There are also apartments and rooms that can be rented at reasonable rates. I feel quite sure that you could find suitable accommodations here at a price to meet your means and that if you are considering moving south you will find conditions at Fairhope most suitable.

Very truly yours,

Secretary.



MACALESTER COLLEGE

ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA

Jan. 21, 1939

Mr. C. A. Gaston, Secretary,
Fairhope Single Tax Colony,
Fairhope, Alabama.

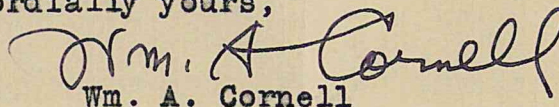
My dear Mr. Gaston:

Thank you for your letter of Dec. 19th, and the illustrative and descriptive materials which you sent on to me. I am indeed much interested in your whole community idea and because of reports of acquaintances living at Fairhope I have in mind the possibility of ultimately settling there myself.

I am not quite sure from the literature as to the amount of money it would cost to live in the colony on a yearly basis. What would the yearly rent of a town lot or perhaps a couple of acres in the country ~~be~~? Are there houses on the town lots or the country areas or would one have to build? Can you give me an idea as to the cost of a small cottage if one were to build? Where are the lots or homes available for rent or purchase in relation to a view of the Bay? What about the cost of living per year? Are there any industries or occupational opportunities in the community of Fairhope and if not what do most of the residents do for a living?

I would be glad to receive further information or literature regarding the more intimate and concrete nature of the community life. What about the religious, recreational and intellectual resources of the town? Also will you please give me some idea as to the temperature ranges, rainfall, etc.

Cordially yours,


Wm. A. Cornell

Dec. 19, 1938.

Mr. Wm. A. Cornell,
Dept. of Sociology,
Macalester College,
St. Paul, Minn.,

Dear Sir:-

Your letter addressed to the School of Organic Education was handed to me for reply in part. Under separate cover I am sending some printed literature and I enclose herewith an explanatory folder.

Fairhope is not at all a community exclusively of educationally minded, artistically inclined and philosophically developed citizens, but I believe we do have and unusually large percentage of such.

We believe that this is due, in large part, to the economic policy established by the founders of Fairhope. Man's primary instinct, as is that of other animals, is that of self-preservation, this cared for his natural trend is toward self-development through education. To satisfy the primary instinct in the natural way man must have unhindered access to the source of production of food, clothing and shelter, the land. Man's labor aided by his wonderful mechanical contrivances enable him with comparatively small effort to provide all his individual and collective needs with a great surplus of time and energy to expend in self-development. And so the progress of man in both departments should be far more greatly advanced than they are.

We believe there are primarily two reasons for this lack of advancement and that a single correction in our policy of deriving public revenue would remove both. Man's access to land is hindered by the desire of other men to hold title to land so that they may have the special privilege of collecting the unearned increment resulting from increased demand and improved public service benefits. He is ~~xxxxx~~ deprived through taxation, of the full product of his labor in those cases where he does secure to himself the opportunity to produce. The correction is to abolish our present public revenue systems and provide that society through its governmental agencies, shall itself collect the unearned increment. Society is the sole creator of this value and it alone is entitled to it.

I hope you will be interested in the literature and I assure you I shall be glad to answer any further enquiry you may care to make,

MACALESTER COLLEGE

ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA

Dec. 10, 1938

School of Organic Education,
Fairhope, Ala.

Dear Sirs: I have just learned of the
existence of a unique colony of
educators, literary persons and
single-taxers living at Fairhope
and would very much like to
receive descriptive literature
in regard to this venture and the
possibility of joining such a
community. I am not sure as
to whether your school is a part of
this colony or not. If not, will
you please hand this note over to
the officers of the colony and
greatly oblige.

Yours truly,

Wm. A. Cornell

Dept of Sociology

Box 2371
Peabody College
Nashville, Tenn.
February 11, 1950

Dear Cornie:

When I prepared to send off my 1949 income tax return I noticed that the withholding slip I had got from you was a 1948 one. It would probably be inadvisable for me to send that one in, so I am returning it, and asking you to replace it with one headed 1949. (Pardon the red ribbon, but the typewriter doesn't seem to work at all on the black.) I would appreciate it if you could attend to this as soon as possible so that I could get the return completed.

I have another problem which you might be able to help me with. Gloria (Reuter) Saks wrote me recently saying that she wanted to visit Fairhope this spring, but that she wasn't sure whether or not the warrant her father had out for her and Eric was still in effect. I wonder if you know enough about law to know whether it would be with Hans in Texas now. I would certainly think it would not be effective longer, but I can understand Gloria's concern about it. What would you say?

I am planning to be in Fairhope March 18 or 19, though I am not definite about it just at present. That is between quarters, and I am looking forward to seeing all of you then.

I'll try to write in more detail soon, but right now I have to get down to some other business, so must close.

Sincerely,

Cal

Box 2371
Peabody College
Nashville, Tenn.
July 29, 1950

Dear Cornie:

I am applying for the job of Recreation Superintendent at Dodge City, Kansas and would appreciate it very much if you would care to write a letter of recommendation. The job requires supervising the entire recreation program in a town of about 10 or 15 thousand, and will involve a lot of administrative and office work as well as recreational leadership. The letter should be addressed to:

Mrs. Bernard Rooney, Jr.
Secretary
Recreation Commission
Dodge City, Kansas

If I do not get this job (or one does not come up which seems interesting) I will go to Indiana University at Bloomington, where I am already enrolled and have a room reservation.

I graduate here August 18, and will be glad to finish this summer term which has been rather hectic.

I was very sorry that I didn't see you when you were through. I had a similar experience with Gloria and her husband who were thru one Saturday I had gone to Sewanee.

I hope all of you are well. Sometime when you have a few minutes drop me a line and let me know how Fairhope is getting along. I presume Paul is returning to Swarthmore.

I must write several more letters so had better close. I certainly appreciate any help you are able to give.

As ever,

Cal

State Teachers College
Troy, Alabama

Dear Corny:

I got the enclosed letter today. Apparently the girl wants to know about both the Corporation and the School. (That would be my interpretation anyway) As she seems to be in a hurry for the information it might be well if you could send her some literature immediately, and have Dr. Campbell do the same.

I am liking school, except for one course. I am taking 21 hours, 7 on Monday, 1 on Tuesday and Thursday, 6 on Wednesday and Friday. Troy seems to have a free atmosphere, with a number of the teachers believers in Organic Education to at least some degree.

I think I will be in Fairhope Thursday the 25th for four days. Say hello to everyone for me.

Cal

University, Ala.
October 2, 1947

Dear Dr. Gaston,

Since coming ^{to} this school I have found that quite a few people are interested in the Single Tax Corporation in Fairhope. As with many other of our townspeople I am almost totally ignorant of the Single Tax plan.

Now, I have been given the chance to kill two birds with one stone by using the subject in Economics and in my Speech class. I am thoroughly ashamed of my lack of knowledge on the subject and I think that it might help me in the future as well as now.

If you have any printed material which would help me I will be very grateful if you would send it to me at the address below.

When you write to Paul again tell him hello for me and that I hope we'll be seeing him soon.

Thank you very much.

Sincerely,

Layton Boyette

Francis C. Boyette
2606 8th St.
Tuscaloosa, Ala.

October 6, 1947

Mr. Francis C. Corzatte
2606 8th Street
Tuscaloosa, Alabama

Dear Clayton:

I am enclosing a copy of our Constitution, our Report for 1946, and copies of our Application for Land and our Lease Contract.

In addition, I am sending a little booklet by L. D. Beckwith. While Mr. Beckwith differs from us on various points, I think you will find the booklet very interesting and informative.

I hope you will find the enclosed material useful. If I can be of any additional help please let me know.

Very truly yours

Secretary

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To the People of Fairhope:

It seems that the BBB Political Society, for the lack of any concrete program of local government, has decided to make this a campaign of petty grievances and vague personal issues that can hardly be called issues at all. One item in their numerous twisted stories concerns the Eastern Shore Band, an organization which certainly has no place in a political imbroglio.

This particular piece of propaganda, guided by the BBB Society, reached the people in a heartrending little message telling of the long hours of hard work put in by the youngsters preparing for the Trade Day parade and intimating that the mayor had refused to let them march for no other reason than his antipathy for anything planned by the business men.

The story as told would naturally rouse the ire of parents and relatives of band members. The BBB propagandists have seen fit to air only a very prejudiced view of the incident with no effort to analyze all contingencies.

These are the facts gathered in personal interviews on both sides conducted by a group of young people interested in taking the school band out of politics.

Though the Chamber of Commerce spent seven hundred dollars advertising Trade Day, they somehow forgot to call the town officials and make arrangements to hold a parade. This little oversight was discovered just two hours before the parade was to begin. In those two hours the mayor was expected to clear of all traffic five blocks of downtown Fairhope - on a July 4th weekend, mind you, with 10,000 tourists already arriving for the celebration.

In order to assure parents of the safety of their marching children it would have been necessary to divert and keep moving the already swollen traffic at eight intersections surrounding the proposed parade area. This would have required at least ten officers.

In short, those who exploited the "incident" expected the mayor, in two short hours, to perform the following miracle:

Find seven capable men, deputize and organize them with the regular force, have them clear downtown Fairhope of traffic and prevent congestion of newly arriving traffic, and place them in positions that would assure the marching children of safety.

Since time would not allow such precautions, Mr. Ruge saw fit to put the safety of children above all other interests.

We applaud his good judgement.

Clayton Corzatti, member

Local Government Youth Association

COWAN-IRVINE Co., INC.

REALTORS - INSURERS

61 ST. FRANCIS STREET

P. O. Box 84

MOBILE 1, ALABAMA

PHONE 2-4606

August 2, 1948

Fairhope Single Tax Corporation
Fairhope, Alabama

Attention: Mr. C. A. Gaston, Secretary

Dear Mr. Gaston:

Enclosed herewith is application in duplicate for a land lease on certain properties recently purchased by William B. and Coriel M. Scott from Mrs. Esmond Walthall. Since you have previously advised us that the Executive Council has already approved this transfer, we should like to ask that you now issue the land lease effective as of August 1, 1948, forwarding same to this office in duplicate for signature.

Yours very truly,

COWAN-IRVINE CO., INC.

Sam Damson, Jr.
Sam Damson, Jr.

SDjr/jw
Enc.

COWAN-IRVINE CO., INC.

REALTORS . INSURERS

61 ST. FRANCIS STREET

MOBILE, ALABAMA

PHONE 2-4551

June 1, 1948

Fairhope Single Tax Corp.
Fairhope, Alabama

Attention: Mr. Gaston

Gentlemen:

Following our conversation of this morning, we should like to ask that you kindly prepare a list of leases on the Walthell property covering the past 20 years at your earliest convenience. Upon its completion, we would appreciate your mailing it to this office to the attention of the writer.

As we discussed with you, there is presently in progress a sale of this property to Mr. W. B. Scott and wife, Coriel McLaughlin Scott. We are enclosing for your information a copy of the offer made by Mr. Scott to Mrs. Walthell which was accepted by Mrs. Walthell on May 28, 1948. Of course, you understand that it will require a few days to get the details of this sale brought together since the Walthells have moved to California, and it will be necessary to mail all papers involved there for signature. We would appreciate, however, your bringing the matter of this sale before the council at its next meeting, which we understand will be on Thursday of this week, with a view toward transferring the lease to Mr. Scott when the proper time comes.

We wish to express our appreciation to you for the courtesies extended us and your assistance in the completion of this sale.

Yours very truly,

COWAN-IRVINE COMPANY, INC.

Sam Damson, Jr.
Sam Damson, Jr.
Salesman

SD jr/dm
Encl.

June 5, 1948

Mr. Sam Damson Jr., Salesman
Cowan-Irvine Company, Inc.
61 St. Francis St.
Mobile, Alabama

Dear Mr. Damson:

This will advise you that the Executive Council of the Fairhope Single Tax Corporation has approved the agreement of Mary Walthall and others to transfer to W. B. and Coriel McLaughlin Scott, the leasehold interest in the East $84\frac{1}{2}$ feet of the South 150 feet of Lot 4; the West $18\frac{1}{4}$ feet of the South 150 feet of Lot 5 and an interest in common with others in the West 20 feet of the South 111 feet of said Lot 4, Block 4, Division 1.

I am enclosing application in duplicate to be signed by Mr. and Mrs. Scott and both copies returned for our file until the lease is finally issued.

I am also enclosing the information as to leases covering the above described land for the past twenty years.

Very truly yours,

Secretary

Aug. 16, 1938.

Mr. Raymond H. Cox,
1108 4th Avenue,
Gadsden, Alabama.,

Dear Sir:-

Your recent communications to the Fairhope Chamber of Commerce have been handed to me for reply.

It is very difficult to answer your questions this early as it is not yet known just what hotel accommodations will be available next summer. Our largest hotel, The Colonial Inn, does not ordinarily stay open that late, since it is primarily a winter tourist hotel. Other hotels are the Fairhope Hotel (American) and the Dixie and Kanuck.

Probably the leading rental agent in Fairhope is Mr. Carl L. Bloxham, others are G. E. Perkins, Jos. Pose and R. C. Keeney.

Fairhope is pleased to have been selected as the Convention City for the Legion and I assure you is going to do everything it can to make the stay here of the Legionnaires as pleasant as possible.

If there is any further information I can give I will be glad to hear from you and as Secretary of the Fairhope Single Tax Corporation I will be glad to have you call at our office. I believe we have one of the biggest and most important stories there is today in the method used in building a community here at Fairhope.

Very truly yours,

Secretary.

Gadsden, Alabama,

July 28th, 1938.

Chamber of Commerce,

Fairhope, Alabama.

Gentlemen:

I note with pleasure that our Legion Convention is to meet in Fairhope next year.

I, as official reporter of the Alabama Department for the past eleven years, am writing to ask the names of the best hotel nearest the Convention Hall, also one or two others. And, will you please tell me how to get in touch with someone as to renting a cottage of from six to eight and ten rooms for the whole week beginning the Sunday, the opening day of the Convention. Several of my friends have discussed the idea of taking a cottage for a week next year and I would like to get some first hand information regarding them, as well as your hotels.

It is very necessary that I be as close to Headquarters and the Convention Hall as possible, as I usually get there 30 minutes ahead of opening time.

I will thank you to write me. Enjoyed seeing Dr. Goddard and am delighted he is Southern Area Commander for the ensuing year.

Cordially,

Raymond H. Cox

1108 4th Avenue.

Gadsden, Alabama.

August 9th, 1938.

Chamber of Commerce,

Fairhope, Alabama.

Gentlemen:

Will you please let me have a reply to my letter of recent date, with reference to cottages and hotels which will be available next summer, etc.

Yours very truly,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "R. H. Cox". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of each name being capitalized and prominent.

1108 4th Avenue.

3945 Fourth St.,
San Diego, Calif.

April 16, 1937.

Friend S. A. Gaston,

Fairhope, Ala.

The inclosed clipping is from The
San Diego Union, the only early
morning paper published here.

I think it contained some errors. If
you know the A.S. reporter who sent
it you might explain matters so
he can avoid such misstatements
in the future.

Very sincerely yours,

Thos. P. Craig.

Single-Tax Town Kicks Over Traces

FAIRHOPE, Ala., April 13 (A.P.) — The town council of this little Mobile bay shore resort community today had "kicked over the traces" and adopted the first business license and excise tax in its 43-year-old history.

And thus Fairhope lost its single-tax distinction.

The town was started in 1894 by a group of Iowans, in a practical application of Henry George's theory that the best taxation principle is to tax land alone.

Recently Alabama voted for repeal and so, today the council had put a \$10 a year license on wholesale and retail beer vendors, and a one-half-cent a bottle tax or can tax on beer sales.

PERMANENT AUTO FINISH DISCOVERED

CHAPEL HILLS, N. C., April 13 (A.P.)—A new enamel lacquer, strong as tin, said to furnish a permanent finish for automobiles, was reported to the American Chemical society here today. The new lacquer is a cellulose product, called an "ester."

M. Dyson
XXXXXXX

C.A.

Oct. 6, 1936

Mr. Thos. P. Craig
San Diego, Calif

Dear Mr. Craig:

I enclose a copy of a letter that went to the Anti Single Tax League of California, on stationery of the town of Fairhope and signed by the clerk, though it was written by me. I am very sorry that I did not get it off to you earlier.

This year I have taken over my father's work as secretary and have been exceedingly busy and have failed to keep up with the correspondence as well as I should.

I shall always be glad to hear from you and we in Fairhope number you among our very best friends.

Very truly yours,

Secretary

CAG/mg

3945 Fourth St.,
San Diego, Calif.,
June 27, 1936.

C. A. Gaston Secretary
Single Tax Corporation
Fairhope, Alabama
Dear Mr. Gaston

I am sending you some campaign literature that is being distributed here that may interest you, which I think fully explains itself.

If you or any one else in Fairhope cares to make a reply I shall be glad to receive it.

I hardly ^{think} you as Sect. or Councilman will agree with it.

Will the mayor of Fairhope? Perhaps he may be willing to make a statement.

Very truly yours
Thos. P. Leary.

THE BRYCE HOSPITAL
W. M. FAULK, M. D., ASSISTANT SUP'T
Tuscaloosa, Alabama

THE PARTLOW STATE SCHOOL
W. D. PARTLOW, M. D., SUPERINTENDENT
L. H. WOODRUFF, M. D., ASS'T SUP'T
Tuscaloosa, Alabama

THE SEARCY HOSPITAL
E. L. MCCAFFERTY, M. D., ASSISTANT SUP'T
Mt. Vernon, Alabama

Calls by telephone are unsatisfactory and should not be
made except in case of serious illness.

THE ALABAMA STATE HOSPITALS

ADDRESS ALL LETTERS RELATING TO PATIENTS IN THE BRYCE HOSPITAL TO
Dr. W. D. PARTLOW, SUPERINTENDENT

No visitors admitted on Sundays. Relatives can see patients and are able to consult
the doctors any day 8:00 A. M. to 6:00 P. M. except on Sundays.

Give the name in full of the Patient about whom you inquire and enclose stamped envelope with name and address plainly written upon it, if you wish a reply.
Calls by telephone are unsatisfactory and should not be made except in case of serious illness. Doctors are usually busy among the Patients not convenient to
a telephone, so it is often difficult to get the doctor who may know most of the Patients to the telephone. More definite information can be given by letter.

TUSCALOOSA, ALA.

September 14, 1943

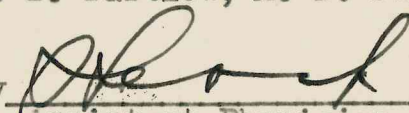
Dr. C. A. Gaston
Fairhope, Alabama

Dear Doctor Gaston:

When Mr. John Forester Crance was admitted to the Bryce Hospital May 20, 1940, the hospital was instructed in the event of emergency to notify you. Also it was stated that he had no living relatives. The 12th of this month he died suddenly of a heart attack and we wired you informing you of the death with the request that you give us burial instructions. We have had no response to our telegram. Mr. Crance is today being buried in the hospital cemetery and a marker will be placed to his grave. If you know of anyone interested in him please inform them of his death and burial.

Yours very truly,

W. D. Partlow, M. D. Supt.

By  M.D.
Assistant Physician

SL:BD

c.c. J. A. Patterson
Fairhope, Alabama
Harley R. Brown
106 So. Monterey Street
Mobile, Alabama and
D. B. Finch
% First National Bank Co.
Kearny, N. J.

L. H. Crane
10 Downing St.
New York 14, N. Y.



Councilman C. A. Gaston
Fairhope, Alabama

April 25, 1947

Dear Horton:

I appreciate your interest in the Town's ordinance #176. It was duly passed at the last meeting as you may note in the Town Council proceedings in the Courier of Nov. 24. We meet the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays. It was not particularly my ordinance but the result of general council discussion and conclusion.

With reference to the school I still have hopes something will develop. Sam Dyson is exercising some initiative in seeing what it may be possible to do. He has two very tangible reasons to want the school to go on and I hope his appeal to others of like interest may bring results. In 1920 I had only one really tangible interest (Margaret Nichols) and no others with such common interest and I succeeded in raising enough money locally to back Mrs. Johnson up in her requests for outside help.

We have prospect of extraordinarily competent management for the school home if the school does go on and that is a highly important department. Weakness in the school home management this year is, in part, responsible for the critical situation. If such management does become available and necessary other finances can be arranged we should have prospect of a good year next year. Regardless of what develops immediately I do not anticipate that any finally conclusive action will be taken that would prevent a revival if conditions warrant.

I full appreciate the loss of the school would be a great loss to Fairhope and to all of us who live here, but there is no sacrifice I can personally make that would enable it to go on and I haven't the heart to go on asking others to sacrifice in my interest. Present available revenues of neither the Town of Fairhope nor the Single Tax Corporation are adequate to support the school as it needs to be supported.

Surely appreciate your interest and that of the many good friends of Fairhope and the school. Hope to see you this summer. With very best wishes,

Sincerely,

14 April 1947

Councilman C.A. Gaston
Fairhope, Alabama

Dear Cornie,

I looked in this week's Courier for news of your Ordinance No. 176 but couldn't find it, so I presume the Council hasn't met since it was proposed. It seems like a good thing, and I don't suppose you'll have any difficulty getting it passed.

More serious news which didn't appear in the paper concerns The School which I heard through Frances. I feel helpless at this distance and wish I could do something about it. Perhaps I am overawed by sentiment, but on purely practical grounds I'm sure both the town and the Single Tax Corporation would feel seriously the loss of the school. However I know you're doing all you can, and I've been hearing a lot about all the work Margaret has done this year. Here's hoping the parents meeting will be able to do something.

Best,



Dec. 16, 1938.

Mr. R. L. Crawford,
P. O. Box 1143,
Mobile, Ala.,

Dear Dick:*

I am in receipt of your letter in which you state that you have already paid the tax to the Town of Fairhope.

If you will send in the receipt to us now we will either give you a receipt for it in advance payment of rent or our check refunding the amount paid as you may desire.

Bills for Colony rent for 1939 will be mailed about January 1st.

Very truly yours,

C. A. Gaston, Secretary.

Handwritten in red ink:
P1 sent to Mr. Crawford 12/21/38
H1735

Dec. 13, 1938.

Mr. R. L. Crawford,
P. O. Box 1143,
Mobile, Ala.,

Dear Dick:-

I am returning your check to you.
We will pay these taxes out of rent funds
collected from you during the past year
and will bill you the first of the year for
the first half the 1939 rent.

We will also pay the Town tax
amounting to \$19.35 in like manner if
you will send me the bill which was mailed
to you from the Town office or if you do not
have the bill I can get one here if you will
so notify me.

This is a departure from the past
method of handling these matters. Instead
of your paying the taxes and turning in the
receipts in payment on rent we will pay the
taxes and bill you in full for the rent.

Very truly yours,

C. A. Gaston, Sec.

135 County tax paid by
C. A. Gaston Rec # 3728

Dec. 10, 1938.

Mr. R. L. Crawford,
P. O. Box # 1143,
Mobile, Ala.,

Dear Dick:-

I enclose State and County tax bill for 1938 and I am informed that the Town office has mailed you the bill for the Town taxes at the above address.

I note that your rent for 1938 is fully paid and I wish to make offer to pay these taxes for you if you have not already paid them. You may just return the bills to me with your request that I pay them and we will attend to it.

Should you have already made payment I will appreciate your sending in the receipts so that we can enter them on our books before the close of the year.

Very truly yours

Secretary.

RYAN STEVEDORING COMPANY, INC.

GENERAL STEVEDORES

PORTS OF OPERATIONS

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GULFPORT, MISS. GEORGETOWN, S.C.
NEW ORLEANS, LA. PHILADELPHIA, PA.
NEW YORK, N. Y. BOSTON, MASS.

MAIN OFFICE MERCHANTS NATIONAL BANK BUILDING

MOBILE, ALABAMA

December 12th, 1938.

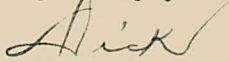
Mr. C. A. Gaston, Secretary,
Fairhope Single Tax Corporation,
Fairhope, Alabama.

Dear Carney:

As requested in your letter of
December 10th, I am attaching hereto check in the
amount of \$40.64 made payable to Jesse M. Smith,
Tax Collector, for the Baldwin County taxes for 1938.

I appreciate your offer to make pay-
ment of these taxes for my Mother's Estate, and
request that you send me receipt in due course.

Very truly yours,


R. L. Crawford.

RLC/S
Attach.

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MAIN OFFICE
MERCHANTS NATIONAL BANK BUILDING

MOBILE, ALABAMA

December 14, 1938

Mr. C. A. Gaston, Secretary
Fairhope Single Tax Corporation
Fairhope, Ala.

Dear Cornie:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 13th in which you returned my mother's estate check for \$40.64 covering State and County taxes for Baldwin County.

I note also that you wish to pay the Town tax in amount of \$19.35 in the same manner as the other taxes. However, I have already paid the Town tax on December 8.

I trust that I will in due course get a bill for Colony rent.

Yours truly,


R. L. Crawford

RLC/hm

Jan 26, 1938

Mr. R. L. Crawford, Exec.,
Estate Of Mrs. M. M. Crawford,
P. O., Box 1547, Mobile, Ala.

Dear Dick:

I enclose treasurer's receipt for \$42.00, the amount of the 1936 tax receipt which was allowable as a rent credit.

Credit on rent is allowed for taxes paid on the improvements as I told you in my former letter to which you refer but such credit cannot be allowed until the tax receipts are delivered to our treasurer.

The \$42.00 herewith receipted for reduces the 1937 balance to \$18.72 and if you will now send us the receipt for your 1936 Town of Fairhope tax of \$20.00 this balance together with the penalty charge of \$1.21 will be cleared with a credit balance of 7¢.

If you will also send us your receipt for the 1937 state and county tax which I calculate to be \$40.64 and the 1937 Town tax, \$19.35 and your check for \$1.13 the account will be fully paid to July 1st of this year when the last half will become due.

I hope the foregoing will be clear to you but shall be glad to give any further information you may desire.

Very truly yours,

Secretary

CAG/mg
ENC.

RYAN STEVEDORING COMPANY, INC.

GENERAL STEVEDORES

PORTS OF OPERATIONS

MAIN OFFICE
MERCHANTS NATIONAL BANK BUILDING

MOBILE, ALABAMA

January 24th, 1938.

MOBILE, ALA. PENSACOLA, FLA.
GULFPORT, MISS. GEORGETOWN, S.C.
NEW ORLEANS, LA. PHILADELPHIA, PA.
NEW YORK, N. Y. BOSTON, MASS.

Fairhope Single Tax Corporation,

Fairhope, Alabama.

Gentlemen:

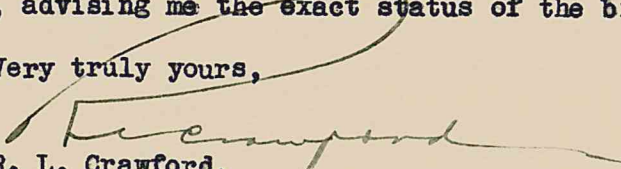
I received the attached bill covering rent on the property of the Estate of Mrs. M. M. Crawford in amount of \$123.12. The bill shows a balance from 1937 of \$60.72.

My records show that I wrote to the Fairhope Single Tax Corporation on July 16th, stating the amount of State and County taxes paid, and requesting information from you as to exactly what portion of those taxes could be deducted from my second half year rent for 1937. To my letter I received the following reply from Mr. C. A. Gaston, Secretary:

"As to the taxes on the Estate property, credit on rent will be allowed on your state and county tax based on an assessed valuation of \$2000.00 and at \$2.10 per 100 would amount to \$42.00. All that you paid in excess on this was for fees to the assessor or collector, interest because of delayed payment and increase in the assessment by 10% as penalty for failure to assess. You should also have a receipt from the Town of Fairhope for the payment of the 1936 Town tax, credit for which would be allowed at the rate of \$1.00 per 100 or \$20. These two tax receipts would more than pay the rent owing, amounting to \$60.72, the credit balance would go on next year's rent or should the property be sold before the end of this year be refunded to you. I hope this will answer your questions satisfactorily, but I assure you I shall be glad to give any further information you may desire."

Therefore, it appears that I have not only completed all the colony rent due for 1937, but I am due a small credit on the first half year of 1938. Kindly investigate this matter at once and let me have a reply, advising me the exact status of the bill in question.

Very truly yours,


R. L. Crawford,
Executor Estate Mrs. M. M. Crawford,
P. O. Box #1547.

RLC/S

I am enclosing last years State & County Tax receipt.

July 26, 1937

Mr. R. L. Crawford
Ryan Stevedoring Company, Inc.
Mobile, Ala.

Dear Dick:

The Town, now owner of the parks, did the clearing about which you wrote me some time ago. Frances says that she will find out just what it was the negro did and whether he is entitled to pay or not.

As to the taxes on the Estate property, credit on rent will be allowed on your state and county tax based on an assessed valuation of \$2000.00 and at \$2.10 per 100 would amount to \$42.00. All that you paid in excess on this was for fees to the assessor or collector, interest because of delayed payment and increase in the assessment by 10% as penalty and failure to assess. You should also have a receipt from the Town of Fairhope for the payment of the 1936 Town tax, credit for which would be allowed at the rate of \$1.00 per 100 or \$20. These two tax receipts would more than pay the rent owing, amounting to \$60.72, the credit balance could go on next year's rent or should the property be sold before the end of this year be refunded to you. I hope this will answer your questions satisfactorily, but I assure you I shall be glad to give any further information you may desire.

Very truly yours,

Secretary

CAG/mg

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July 16, 1937

Fairhope Single Tax Corporation,
Fairhope, Alabama.

Gentlemen:

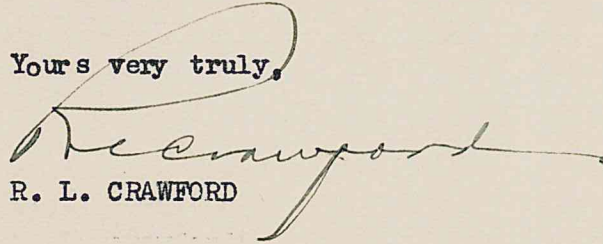
The second half year's rent is due on the property of Mrs. M. M. Crawford, in the amount of \$60.72. As I understand it, I can deduct the State and County Tax from the rent. My receipted tax bill is itemized as follows:

Total State and County Tax	\$ 39.60
District School Tax, Dist. #51	6.60
Assessor's Fee	.50
Total	\$ 46.70

Interest on District School Tax	.42
Collector's Fee	.50
Grand Total	\$ 47.62

Kindly advise the amount I may deduct from my Colony rent bill and upon receipt of this information I will send you check by return mail.

Yours very truly,


R. L. CRAWFORD

RLC/L

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C.A.

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January 13, 1937

Mr. R. L. Crawford
Mobile, Ala.

Dear Dick:

I talked the matter of value of your improvements over with our president, Mr. Dyson, and do not believe there would be any objection on our part if you could sell the property for as much as eight thousand dollars.

Our principal interest is that the purchaser understands that he is purchasing improvements only and that he will have to pay our corporation for the site value (land) in the form of an annual rent.

Very truly yours,

Secretary

CAG/mg

RYAN STEVEDORING COMPANY, INC.

GENERAL STEVEDORES

MAIN OFFICE
MERCHANTS NATIONAL BANK BUILDING
MOBILE, ALABAMA

January 8th, 1937.

Mr. Carney Gaston,
Secretary,
Fairhope Single Tax Corporation,
Fairhope, Alabama.

Dear Carney:

I have had several inquiries about the sale of my Mother's property at Feld's Avenue on the bay front. These parties are requesting that we give them a price for the place. I am writing you to ascertain from the Single Tax Corporation the limit of the price that they will allow us to sell this property for. I myself have no idea of what it is worth, and would appreciate your advising me in your opinion what it is worth. The house is almost completely furnished and when we sell we expect to include the furniture in the sale.

A prompt reply will be appreciated.

Very truly yours,

Dick
R. L. Crawford.

P.O. Box # 1547

Dear Dick:

I talked the matter of value over with our RIC/S president, Mr. Dyeon and do not believe there would be any objection on our part if you could sell the property for ^{as much as} eight thousand dollars.

Our principal interest is that the purchaser understands that he is purchasing improvements only and that he will have to pay our corporation for the site value (land) in the form of an annual rental.

M. Dyson
xxxxxxx

C.A.
xx

Oct. 6, 1936

Mr. F. L. Crawford
Executor Estate Mrs. M. M. Crawford,
Mobile, Ala.

Dear Dick:

I note that you state the value of your furniture at \$500. I wonder if you have taken into consideration the full depreciation suffered by second hand furniture. Would you estimate that it would cost \$500. to replace the present furniture from second hand stock? I believe it reasonable to give a value for the purpose of taxation, based either on the cost of replacement from stock or what it could be sold for where there is a reasonable market for second hand furniture.

I will appreciate your consideration of the matter in this light.

Very truly yours,

Secretary

CAG/mg

FAIRHOPE SINGLE TAX CORPORATION

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Very truly yours,

C. A. Gaston
Wornie
Secretary

CAG/mg

Carney -

The furniture is probably not worth 500.00, but I noticed that is the amount of insurance that is carried on it. I will reduce the insurance to 200.00, and you can show 200.00 value with the explanation that the insurance is only 200.00. I hope this will answer you satisfactorily.
Dick

RYAN STEVEDORING COMPANY, INC.

GENERAL STEVEDORES

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MOBILE, ALABAMA

October 5th, 1936.

Mr. C. A. Gaston, Secretary,
Fairhope Single Tax Corporation,
Fairhope, Alabama.

Dear Carney:

I attach hereto information requested
in order that you can properly assess the property
owned by the Estate of Mrs. M. M. Crawford in Baldwin
County.

Thanking you very much, I remain,

Very truly yours,

Dick

R. L. Crawford,
Executor Estate Mrs. M. M. Crawford,
P. O. Box #1143.

RLC/S
Attach.

July 18, 1936

Mr. R. L. Crawford
Executor Estate Mrs. M. M. Crawford,
Mobile, Ala.

Dear Dick:

Thanks for the remittance which fully paid the regular rent charge against the estate of your mother. I enclose, however, the 1936 Street Improvement rent charge of \$4.24 which was not previously available. If you will make remittance of same all charges against the account will be satisfied to December 31.

I shall be glad to attend to returning this property before assessor this fall which will result in a saving to you of \$6.70 on next years taxes, though you will have to pay the additional amount this year as the assessment was not properly returned last fall and the penalty will appear on your tax bill this fall.

Very truly yours,

Secretary

GAG/mg
Enc.

RYAN STEVEDORING COMPANY, INC.

GENERAL STEVEDORES

MAIN OFFICE
MERCHANTS NATIONAL BANK BUILDING

MOBILE, ALABAMA

July 14th, 1936.

Mr. C. A. Gaston, Secretary,
Fairhope Single Tax Corporation,
Fairhope, Alabama.

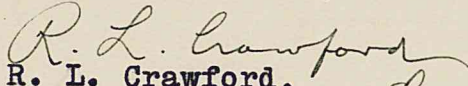
Dear Carnie:

Enclosed herewith please find
check for \$55.20 covering the second half
balance rent due by the Estate of Mrs. M. M.
Crawford for 1936.

We will appreciate very much
your assessing our property in Baldwin County
in the future. We have always made this
assessment through the mail and never have been
furnished with a copy of the assessment sheet.
Kindly advise whether or not you will handle
for us.

Please let me have a receipt for
the rent, and oblige,

Very truly yours,



R. L. Crawford,
Executor Estate Mrs. M. M. Crawford,
P. O. Box #1143.

RLC/S
Enc.,

May 27, 1936

Mr. R. L. Crawford, Executor
Estate Mrs. M. M. Crawford,
Mobile, Ala.

Dear Dick:

I enclose receipts from our Treasurer for \$42.00 the amount of the 1935 County tax receipt creditable on your rent. Taxes were levied against an assessment of \$2300.00 instead of \$2000.00, the value at which the property was returned, the additional \$200.00 was penalty for failure to personally assess and an additional \$.50 paid was an assessors fee for copying the assessment. I went to the town office and got a duplicate of the 1935 town tax and enclose receipt for same. You will note by the enclosed bill a balance due us of \$56.20.

I, as Secretary, shall be glad to act as your agent and return your property for you this fall if instructed so to do. Can you furnish me a copy of the last assessment made by you?

With best regards, I am

Very truly yours,

Secretary

CAG/mg
ENC.

RYAN STEVEDORING COMPANY, INC.

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MERCHANTS NATIONAL BANK BUILDING

MOBILE, ALABAMA

May 16th, 1936.

Fairhope Single Tax Corporation,

Fairhope, Alabama.

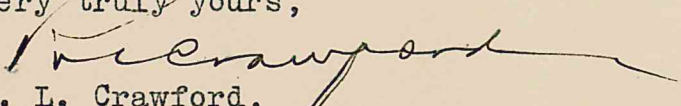
Gentlemen:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your bill for \$58.60 covering first half of 1936 taxes.

We enclose herewith our State & County tax receipt for \$46.70. We have also paid the City of Fairhope City tax of \$20.00. It will therefore, appear that we have paid \$46.70 and \$20.00 or \$66.70, and your bill of \$58.60 to be deducted would leave us a credit to apply on the second half taxes of \$8.10. If I am correct you may send us your bill for second half of 1936 taxes and I will deduct credit of \$8.10 and send you a check which will complete all tax payments for the year 1936.

Kindly advise me at once sending me all necessary receipts to P. O. Box 1143, Mobile, Alabama, and oblige,

Very truly yours,


R. L. Crawford,
Executor Estate Mrs. M.M. Crawford.

RLC/S
Enc.,

Fairhope, Ala., April 19, 1937

DEAR LESSEE:

An examination of your 1937 assessment sheet shows the assessed valuation to be greater than 60% of the declared 100% valuation.

I have therefore prepared a protest as enclosed and ask that you sign and mail it to E. S. Tunstall, Bay Minette, Alabama.

This protest must be filed before next Monday, April 26th.

Very truly yours,

C. A. Gaston, Sec. Fairhope Single Tax Corp.

274.47
66
208.47

Harry Greener, makes offer
to work 5 days a week in
sand pit, furnishing all
tools and equipment necessary
including team, as needed,
for straight pay of \$2.00 per
day or ten dollars weekly.

Sept 9, 1937

Mr. Harry Creamer
Fairhope, Ala.

Dear Sir:

The council agreed to accept you application
for employment for a trial period. Come in and
discuss the matter over with Mr. Wolcott and Me.

Very truly yours,

Secretary

CAG/mg

L. B. ALLEN CO., INC.

CHICAGO . . . PHONE NEW. 3097

FROM THE DESK OF:
STUART S. CRIPPEN SR.

Aug. 21 1940.

Fairhope Single 20x Corp,
Fairhope, Ala.

Gentlemen:

Herewith my check #365 which
pays, in full, my rent for 1940 on
Lots 1-2 Bl. 6 Div. 4. Total \$57⁰⁰/₁₀₀.

Permit me to protest last year's
this year's increase (.2835 + 7%)
so beyond benefits received. Last
year & this year, for instance our
street remains unpaved & ex-
tremely dusty. Prior rent was \$45-
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Stuart S. Crispin

Mr. Stuart S. Crippen,
6742 Bryn Mawr Ave.,
Chicago, Ill.,

Dear Mr. Crippen:

Your protest of rent increases on your leasehold was presented to the Council at a recent meeting.

It was the judgment of the council that the increases were not in excess of the increase in advantages resulting to the community from the paving of many of the streets, the installation of sanitary sewage disposal, the improvement to the water system; resulting in a decrease of insurance rates, etc.

I am sorry that it will not be possible to surface School St. this year but I believe it is in line for improvement next year.

Very truly yours,

Secretary.

P. S. I presume you will want me to assess your property again this year? If so please advise me and let me know if there are any changes in the personal property list. I have the following:

Household furniture (exempt)	\$125.00
Piano (taxable) - - - - -	50.00
Electric refrigerator (taxable)	40.00
Electric Stove (taxable) - - - - -	30.00

The first item above is presumed to be 100% value and the latter three, the 60% value as required by law.

Aug. 5, 1940

Mr. Stuart S. Crippen, Sr.,
6742 Bryn Mawr Ave.,
Chicago, Ill.,

Dear Mr. Crippen:

Enclosed find receipt for payment of the last half of the 1940 rent on your leasehold.

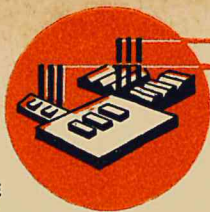
Your protest will be brought to the attention of the Executive Council at its next meeting. I may call to your attention however that rent, as is the selling price of land, is influenced by indirect as well as direct benefits. Certainly a lot in a community having no paved streets is not worth as much as a lot in a community having more than six miles of paved streets and particularly when such lot is only 150 ft. from such pavement.

I may state that we still have hopes of surfacing north School St. this year though present weather conditions are not very favorable.

Very truly yours,

Secretary.

6719 BRYN MAWR AVENUE
FONE NEW. 3097 — CHICAGO



SINCE '93 MANUFACTURING CHEMISTS

L.B. ALLEN CO., INC.

February 2, 1939

Dr. C. A. Gaston
Fairhope
Alabama

Dear Dr. Gaston:

It was good of you to go to so much trouble for me as you did, relative to my 25% tax increase.

I don't want Fairhope to begin to look like Chicago!

It rests me to occasionally just think of Fairhope--even if I can't go there.

Yours, with best wishes,

L. B. ALLEN CO., INC.

Stuart S. Crippen
Secretary-Treasurer

SSC:EMV

Jan. 27, 1939.

Mr. Stuart A. Leppan,
6712 Bryn Mawr Avenue,
Chicago, Ill.,

Dear Mr. Leppan:-

The statement sent you is correct and I guess we will have to put up with such comment as you may choose to make but I hope it will not be too harsh.

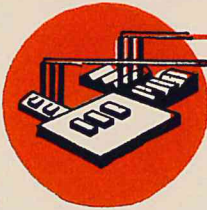
The rate on ~~your~~ the westfrontage of your leasehold was raised from 10 to 12 while the north frontage remained at 10 as for previous years. The increase to 12 on the west should have increased the total rate by about 11 1/3% but in figuring your previous rent the rule had not been followed and the result was a rent 2 2/3% less than it should have been. This ~~error~~ makes the increase of 32 1/3%, not 24% seen sharp.

I believe that a comparison with other rates in the neighborhood will show that yours is not out of line with others: The former rate of 10 on North School St., your location was low as compared with 13 on South School St., 14 around the corner on Magnolia Ave., 13 around the corner on Fairhope Ave. to the east and 21 to the west and with a frontage rate of 16 on Fairhope Avenue from the golf grounds east to Ingleside Avenue.

There was no general change but a number of local changes such as yours were made so that a more equitable distribution of the entire rental charge might be accomplished. I hope this explanation will be acceptable to you and you will appreciate that the change made was in the spirit of fairness to all.

Very truly yours,

Secretary.



6719 BRYN MAWR AVENUE
FONE NEW. 3097 — CHICAGO

SINCE '93 MANUFACTURING CHEMISTS

L.B. ALLEN CO., INC.

January 24, 1939

Dr. C. A. Gaston
Fairhope, Alabama

Dear Dr. Gaston:

Will you please advise me ^{as general} to the Fairhope Single-Tax situation--is it increased over 1938? What is the extent--on a per cent basis--of the increase?

My 1939 tax bill--just received from Mr. Wolcott--is ~~25~~²⁵% above that of the year before. There are no penalties.

Very truly yours,

Stuart S. Crippen

Note: My tax bills

	1/2 year	1 year
1938	\$23.54	\$47.08
1939	\$28.74	\$57.48

Increase--\$10.40, -25%. My hope is this may be found in error. If not, I'd be interested in knowing. Meanwhile, I'll restrain a few comments while encouraging the "hope"



FAIRHOPE SINGLE TAX CORPORATION

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FAIRHOPE, ALABAMA

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Dec. 8, 1938.

Mr. Stuart S. Crippen,
6719 Bryn Maur, Ave.,
Chicago, Ill.,

Dear Mr. Crippen:-

I am in receipt of your card this morning and have arranged to attend to the assessment of your property.

I note on our records that your rent is fully paid for the year 1938 which entitles us to make offer to you to pay your 1938 taxes for you. If you have not already paid the taxes you may deliver the bills to us before the end of this month and we will pay them. If you have already paid them we will repay you or give you credit on next year's rent.

In either event we would appreciate the transaction being completed before the end of the year.

May I repeat for clarity? If you have not yet paid your taxes send the bills to us so they will reach us in ample time to be paid before the end of the year and if they have been paid send the receipts to us for credit on your account.

I regret that you will have to be absent from Fairhope for a time but hope it will be possible for you to again take up residence here in the not distant future. With best wishes for a pleasant holiday season I am,

Very truly yours,

C. A. Caston
Secretary.

P.S. I can get tax bills if you do not have them. - P.S. do. Would then be able to know what I can do. P/C 11/12/38

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Secretary.



MAIL
EARLY
FOR
CHRISTMAS



THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS

Dr. Cory Gaston,
Fairhope,
Ala.

6719 Bryn Mawr Ave.
Chicago, Ill, Dec. 6-1938

Dear Dr. Gaston:

It seems unlikely at present
that I can be in Fairhope for
some time. By the Courier, I
received this morning, I
note that assessments report-
ings are being called for.

May I ask your co-operation
again this year as before in
the preparation of mine? I
will not have my auto there &
Mrs. Ripper is shipping up her
sewing machine & some other
items, personal. Well miss dear
old Fairhope - but I'm definitely
needed here in my business. Thank
you in advance. Sincerely,
Edward S. Ripper



THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS

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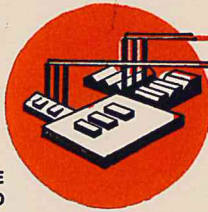
Dr. C. A. Gaston,
Secy.

6719 Bryn Mawr Ave.,
Chicago, Ill., Dec. 12-38.

Dear Dr. Jastrow:

My - yours a relief! It is
good to be tendered & re-
ceive them the years - with
splendid co-operation as I
have received from you. It
would be appreciated if
you will send me my cur-
rent tax bills (I have recd.
the Town Tax bill but I haven't
it here - perhaps it (a dupli-
cate) can be conveniently
included). This will put me in
time to know what I am doing
about meeting them now.
Will you be so good. Thank you.
- & best wishes to you & yours.
Sincerely, Stuart S. Apple

6719 BRYN MAWR AVENUE
PHONE NEW. 3097 — CHICAGO



SINCE '93 MANUFACTURING CHEMISTS

L.B. ALLEN CO., INC.

Oct. 10th, 1938.

FAIRHOPE SINGLE TAX CORPORATION,
Fairhope,
Alabama.
Dr. C. A. Gaston, Secretary.

Dear Dr. Gaston:

In response to yours of the 5th just received, I am asking you if you will kindly handle my assesment matter as you did for me last year.

For that purpose I am enclosing my Real and Personal Assessment Schedule which you kindly helpt me to prepare for last year. *(Please return it)*

Its status is unchanged, except that there is an added year of depreciation.

Business is keeping us here in Chicago quite indefinitely; therefore it is likely to be some time before we will see Fairhope agen. If we can, we'd like to slip down at Christmas time and see "you-all" and breathe some of that fine God's out-doors. I don't mean to deprecate this out-doors --but it's all so eternally Busy, Busy, Busy! And sometimes you wonder what it's all about.

We are definitely expecting an improvement in our economic status (by "our", I mean "our United States" --Fairhope, Mobile, Chicago; by "improvement" I mean the General Welfare Act of 1937 --The Townsend Plan. I find it is being betr understood and correspondingly favored.. Sometimes I fancy I see a glimmer of "Single Tax" connection and acceptance for the Townsend Plan definitely favors the Henry George idea. --Ask Mrs. Johnson --bless her dear, rare soul!)

3-Well! Forgive this slipping-in of one of my hobbies. It must be my Scotch-Irish tendency to get my money's worth.

Mrs. Crippen joins in kind regards.

Your's, with best wishes,

STUART S. CRIPPEN

Feb. 1, 1938

Mr. Stuart S. Crippen
Fairhope, Ala.

Dear Mr. Crippen:

I enclose tax collector's
check for duplicate payment of taxes.

Please bring your other
receipt in for credit on your rent account.

Very truly yours,

Secretary

CAG/mg
ENC.

August 27, 1936

Mr. Ezra A. Cross
Fairhope, Ala.

Dear Mr. Cross:

I am herewith returning to you your lease for your signature to the statement on the back thereof and if you wish to have it recorded I am of the opinion that it will have to be acknowledged.

I also enclose applications and lease forms all to be signed by you, Mrs. Cross and your daughter as your names appear on the new lease form.

If you will attend to this and see that the papers get back to me before the next council meeting, I will see that they are then acted upon and will notify you when I have your new lease ready for delivery, for which there will be an issuance fee of \$1.

Very truly yours,

Secretary

CAG/mg
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FAIRHOPE SINGLE TAX CORPORATION

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Fairhope Single Tax Colony

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FAIRHOPE, ALABAMA

Jan. 10, 1939.

Mr. Ezra A. Cross,
Fairhope, Ala.,

Dear Mr. Cross:-

I wonder if you attended to the assessment of the farm property this past fall? If not this should be attended to before the end of this week to avoid penalties.

I can be of help in this matter if you see me before Friday.

C. A. Gaston
Secretary.

Wilfred & Rose Tracy

$3\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ & N $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$

11-6-2

Previously assessed to Amy Parker
in the amount of \$300

Assessed by C. A. Gaston

Feb. 17, 1939.

Mr. O. K. Cummings,
Fairhope, Ala.,

Dear Mr. Cummings:-

The matter of your application for lot 10, Blk. 4, Div. 2 which had been tabled at the previous meeting for investigation of the improvement value was brought up again at the Council meeting last night.

Report was made by several councilmen who had made personal investigation and a motion carried setting a value of \$25.00 on the improvements on said lot. Your application therefore has again been tabled and I was instructed to convey the above information to you.

Should you desire the application considered on this basis, payment of the above amount will have to be paid together with six months rent \$18.20. I shall await your further advise in this matter.

Very truly yours,

Secretary.

Aug. 6, 1938.

Mr. O. K. Cummings,
Fairhope, Ala.,

Dear Sir:-

With regard to your recent request that the Council take up the matter of a settlement with you for the sidewalk along your properties in block 10, division two, constructed at your expense in 1927 or earlier, I wish to report that I have found in the record that you made a written request to the Council under date of July 10, 1927. This request was brought before the Council July 18, 1927 at which time a motion carried "That work not having been ordered by Council and no work in that block having been contemplated, no liability can be assumed regarding same." I also find a carbon copy of a letter under date of July 20, 1937, advising you of this action.

Regardless of the foregoing I find that between the years 1928 and 1934 you withheld the payment of curb and gutter assessments against your leaseholds in blocks 9 and 10 in the total amount of \$203.97 net, no penalty charges. However the Council agreed to allow you a credit 8¢ per sq. ft. for the 330 lineal, 1320 sq. ft. involved, amounting to a total credit of \$79.20. I find in the record that lessees along the south side of Fairhope Ave. were charged only a small fraction more than six cents on a ten year payment plan.

After allowing this credit along with another which involved an overcharge due to an error in rent calculation your present indebtedness, originating prior to July 1, 1938 amounts to \$97.43. This account will be considered as a delinquent account until paid and the regular penalty charged, from this time forward.

Very truly yours,

Secretary.

OFFICERS

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Chamber of Commerce

FAIRHOPE, ALABAMA July 10th 1927,

FAIRHOPE IS THE
YEAR-ROUND RESORT
"DOWN ON MOBILE BAY"

BALDWIN COUNTY
IS THE
TRUCK GROWER'S AND
POULTRYMAN'S
PARADISE

"DOWN SOUTH" FOR
OPPORTUNITY
HEALTH
PLEASURE
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HAPPINESS

MANY HISTORIC POINTS
OF INTEREST

14 MILES BATHING BEACH
CLEAN, SAFE SAND

FREE HOME SITES

FREE INDUSTRIAL SITES

MECCA OF DAIRYMEN
TWO UP-TO-DATE CREAMERIES

100 BEAUTY SPOTS
FOR PICNICS, REACHED BY LAND
AND WATER
FRESH WATER FISHING
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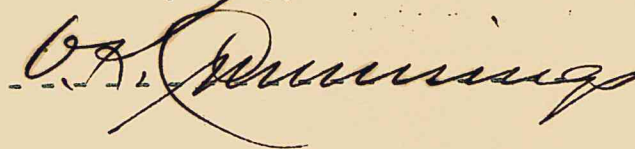
GOLFCOURSE IN THE SOUTH

Fairhope, Single Tax Cor.,
Fairhope, Ala.

Gentlemen;-

Enclosed another statement of the cost of the sidewalk built at my property and paid for by me. This does not include the cost of the sidewalk in front of Lot 3, block 10 Div. 2 which is also still not adjusted. I will appreciate it if you will take this up at your next meeting.

Very truly,



Axil johnsons statement (not including the driveway) \$236.22

7/20/27

Mr. O.K. Cummings,
Fairhope, Ala.

Dear Sir:-

Your bill for sidewalk by your property on Fels
and Summit Avenues was brought before the Council Monday
evening and motion regarding same prevailed as follows:

"That work not having been ordered by Council
and no work in that block having been ~~ordered~~ contempla-
ted, no liability can be assumed regarding same."

Respectfully yours,

Fairhope Single Tax Corporation,

By _____
Secretary.

I am returning your bill from Mr. Johnson, retaining
you statement for my file.

FAIRHOPE SINGLE TAX CORPORATION

ADMINISTERING

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ESTABLISHED 1895

FAIRHOPE, ALABAMA

July 26, 1935

Found in minutes of Council proceedings, July 18, 1927, page 159

"Bill of O.K. Cummings for sidewalk, moved and carried that work not having been ordered by Council and no work in that blk having been contemplated, no liability can be assumed regarding same. " President W.R.F. Call, E.B. Gaston, Sec.

330' 4' Sidewalk Fals + Bay View
Apil Johnson

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Fairhope, Ala., 192

M. O. R. Cummings

TO Fairhope Single Tax Corporation DR.

Address: MR. R. E. L. CONNOLLY, Treasurer
Post Office Box 323

Please Remember to Send or Bring Assessment With Tax Receipts

Lot 1/2 1929 rent lot 2, blk. 27, Div. 2

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Fairhope, Ala., 192

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James Paul

3008 Washington St

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July 12, 1938.

Mr. O. K. Cummings,
Fairhope, Ala.,

Dear Sir:-

Because you made recent enquiry as to the rent on lots 6 & 7, of block 10, division 2, I am advising you that I posted an application from Marvin O. Berglin for lot 7 on last Thursday. This application was approved by the Council the same day but subject to the usual rule as set forth on the enclosed notice.

I had intended to give you notice of this earlier but had overlooked it until this morning. If you are sufficiently interested I suggest that you see me at once. I am of the opinion that Marvin does not particularly want the entire lot but the Council did not want to approve an application that would leave a portion of a lot that might be difficult to rent.

Very truly yours,

Secretary.

FAIRHOPE SINGLE TAX CORPORATION

ADMINISTERING

Fairhope Single Tax Colony

ESTABLISHED 1895

FAIRHOPE, ALABAMA

March 8, 1939.

Hon. Jesse M. Smith,
Bay Minette, Ala.,

Dear Sir:-

Enclosed find tax receipt #4033 issued to Mrs. J. T. Cuthbert for payment of the 1938 tax of Charles Pfennig in the amount of \$10.50, while I find that my records show that this Corporation made remittance to you for payment of this tax Dec. 15 and receipt #3838 was issued to us therefor.

In view of the above and if your records correspond I request that refund be made to Mrs. Cuthbert whose address is 115 So. Jefferson St., Mobile, Alabama.

Very truly yours,

C. A. Gaston
Secretary.

Dear Mr. Gaston -
There was a double payment on
the matter now I have adjusted
I thank you for calling my
attention to the error.
Yours Very Respectful
Jesse M. Smith

July 17, 1939.

Mr. W. J. Cullen,
58 Hewlett Street,
Roslindale, Mass.

Dear Mr. Cullen:

I was particularly happy to learn through your letter of July 10th. of your continued interest in your birth place, and hope with you that it will be possible for you to visit it some day.

The Single Tax, the prime motive for Fairhope's founding is still the principle reason for its existence, and to that fact can unquestionably be attributed the success of the community. While Fairhope's location advantages are exceeded by other Baldwin County communities, Fairhope though one of the youngest, is now the largest and most progressive though not the richest, town in the county.

My father died a couple of years ago, and Mother preceded him by three years. I am carrying on the position occupied by him for many years and the general community appreciation of the economic principles established by Fairhope's founders was never greater.

Henry George was not the founder of Fairhope but the early settlers did apply his economic theory in setting up their colony corporation. In the beginning there was considerable admixture of socialistic principles as you will note in reading our constitution. It has been our experience however, that these were unnecessary ~~x~~ so long as the Single Tax principles are used in the Fairhope Community. Fairhope has therefore continued to develop more and more along purely Single Tax lines.

Under separate cover I am sending you printed material which I feel sure you will find interesting. We often think of your family because our younger brother was the first boy born to colonists here and his name is Arthur Fairhope Gaston. There are five of us and all live and work in Fairhope except my younger sister Leah who lives in Mobile.

I shall be glad to hear further from you and assure you of my appreciation of your continued interest in Fairhope, and I hope this interest extends to the vital principles responsible for Fairhope's existence, the general application of which must be generally adopted if Democracy is to prevail.

Sincerely yours,

WALTER J. CULLEN
58 HEWLETT STREET
ROSLINDALE, MASS.

July 10, 1939

Mr. Gaston
Dear Sir:-

It has been my wish for sometime
to know something about my birthplace.
Also. if Mr. Gaston Sr. is still alive as
he was one of the early settlers in
Fairhope with my father Andrew J.
Cullen.

My sister Helen Fairhope Cullen Wilson,
was the first white girl born in Fairhope and
I was born four years later Aug. 18, 1899.

I have lived up north ever since we
left Fairhope and I hope some-day I will be able
to visit my birthplace.

Is Single Tax still in use in Fairhope and
was Henry George the founder of Fairhope or
did the early settlers organize Single Tax

in Fairhope according to the theories
of Henry George.

Any information concerning Fairhope
will be appreciated

Very truly yours,

Walter J. Cullen

LEIGHTON W. CRAFT

MARLBORO. N. Y.

Sept 12/38

My dear Mr. Gaston: -

Please have Mr. Blyden
leave any rents with you
to apply to taxes, I have
also advised him to do so,

Very truly yours,

L. W. Craft

Marlboro, N.Y.

Mar 9/36

Mr. E. B. Gaston

Europe, Fla.

Dear Mr. Gaston: -

Will you kindly
send an up to date
check of "Secret
Rent Charges" for the
colony to.

Mr. Bernard Ceise
Marlboro, N.Y.

Oves.

and to
Mr. Frank Craft
Mashon, Ky.

Thank you
yours truly
L. W. Craft

\$ 80.58

W 33 ft lot 1 + lot 2, blk 45, div 4

March 23, 1936

Mr. L. W. Craft
Marlboro, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Craft:-

I wish to inform you that the Fairhope Single Tax Corporation has not published a list of the lessees and rent charges for some years.

The rent for 1936 on your lot w 33 ft of lot 1 and lot 2 blk 45 div 4, is \$80.58. If there is any other information, as to your rent charges you want, I shall be glad to furnish it.

Very truly yours,

Secretary

CAG/mg

Oct. 27, 1941

Mr. John C. Curry, Commissioner,
State Department of Revenue,
Montgomery, Alabama,

Dear Sir:

It is my understanding through information received from a source of which I have no present recollection, that public utility corporations do not assess their properties in this state at 60% of the value filed with the Public Service Commission as a basis for rates.

My understanding is that some years past when you or some predecessor in your office held for an assessment of 60% of the value used for rate making, the utility appealed on the basis that assessments in this state did not approximate 60% of full value and that it would be fair and proper to accept an assessment and my recollection is that this was allowed either by the court or board which considered the case.

I will appreciate such information or verification as you can give me with regard to this matter and I would also like to know what is meant by the Bell Telephone Company's item of Intangibles appearing on its assessment sheet in this county. It is my understanding that the intangible value is the value placed on the franchise but there is nothing to so indicate.

Also our county assessor says that your department has placed a taxable assessed value of \$1.00 on all poultry. In this section there is a considerable activity in the raising of friers; chicks are bought at 8¢, kept for some 8 weeks and marketed, the present price at wholesale being about 46¢ per frier. I will appreciate an opinion from you about the value at which such should be assessed or if they should be assessed.

Our interest is that some growers are lessees of our corporation and our contract requires us to pay the tax. Assuring you of our appreciation of such attention as you can give these matters and for such information as you can give us I am,

Very truly yours,

Secretary.



STATE OF ALABAMA
STATE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE
MONTGOMERY

JOHN C. CURRY
COMMISSIONER OF REVENUE
JULIA KLINGE
SECRETARY

October 29, 1941

Mr. C. A. Gaston, Secretary
Fairhope Single Tax Corporation
Fairhope, Ala.

Dear Mr. Gaston:

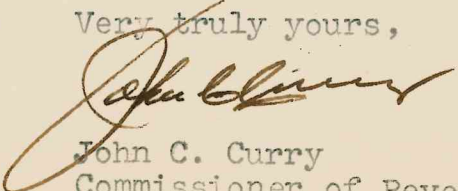
Replying to your letter of the 27th I wish to say that I am not familiar with the source of the information which is given in the first part of your letter. The property of public utilities is required to be assessed on the same basis as any other taxable property within the State, that is to say, 60% of its fair and reasonable market value. The Department of Revenue, formerly the State Tax Commission, is required to assess the property of public utilities in accordance with the provisions of the revenue code and the valuations determined by this Department may or may not show a relation to the values used by the Public Service Commission for rate making purposes. The determinations by the two bodies constitute two separate and distinct functions.

As for the intangible assessment entered against the telephone company, I wish to call your attention to the fact that the revenue law specifically provides the method of determining the intangible value of public utilities. I suggest, therefore, that you refer to Chapter 11, Title 51, of the Code of Alabama of 1940, and particularly to Sections 162 to 169 thereof, for full description of the method of arriving at such intangible value.

With regard to that part of your letter in which you state that this Department has placed an assessed value of \$1.00 each on all poultry, I wish to say that there certainly must be some misunderstanding. In the first place this office does not assess poultry and in the second place the law specifically provides that any taxable property shall be assessed at 60% of its fair and reasonable market value. In the third place, "All poultry raised or kept by any person and of value not more than one hundred dollars" is specifically exempted from any taxation.

Hoping that the foregoing gives you the desired information,
I am

Very truly yours,


John C. Curry
Commissioner of Revenue

JCC:S

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4709 N. SHERIDAN RD.

CHICAGO, ILL.

June 20, 1946

Dear Arthur:

Needless to say I was delighted to get your letter with the good news that you were getting hold of yourself and making good. I have never had any doubt of your ability to accomplish the latter provided you screwd up your courage to do the former. I need not assure you that I will be delighted with every success that may come to you.

I sincerly hope you have learned that eternal vigilance is the price of liberty. I believe that is one of the facts that A. A. have learned, knowledge that accounts to a considerable degree for their success.

I surely hope that your visit here will be conducted in such a manner as to give your mother only joy. She is a fine woman and desrving of better things than she has had in this life. Her satisfaction in your proper conduct would surely give her great joy.

Mobile has an active A. A. group, in which Dick Crawford is an active member. They already have contscts here in Fairhope. I will be glad to see you on your visit here next month. With every good wish I am,

Sincerely yours,

Chicago May 22-46

Dear Dr. Loring —

Just a line to say
hello and let you know
that I am gradually coming
out of the fog thanks to
H. H. and an angel for
a wife. I'll be seeing you
in July. Bob and our two
wives will be home for a
few days. I have been in
business for myself for nine
months now and for the first
time it is all mine through
hard work and by Gods
help I hope to make the
grade.

It was very bad news
about my brother in law.

Dash me off a line if you
find the time.

very sincerely,
Arthur L. Curtis

P.S.

Let me know if the Courier
would be interested in a short
article about the work of
Alcoholics Anonymous here
in Chicago and I will send
it down. I am sure that there
are a few in Fairhope who would
find help in their marvelous
approach to the problem.

The "Ben. Franklin" Plan

Will make Employment as Natural as the Air we Breathe.

The fruit of a tree comes from its roots, and the Ideal State, (like a richly productive orchard), will arrive when we follow the methods of the Grower as he cares for the trees and zealously removes obstructions, parasites, and weeds that choke. We must remember that only Nature "can make a tree" and that in developing a better economy we must not restrict the operation of Natural Laws, but on the contrary, we should cooperate with them.



The Future Is To the Gangster

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ARE INVITED

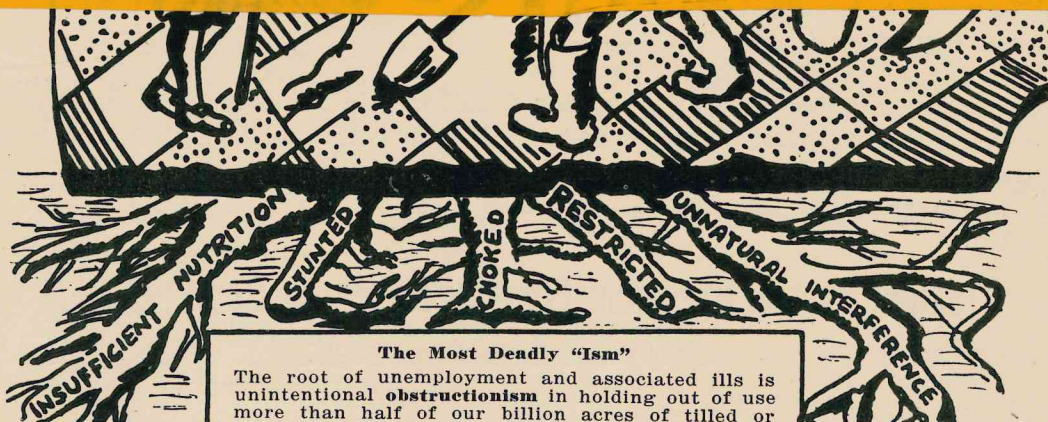


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511 Gravier Street New Orleans, La.

UNLESS—business men are willing to cooperate with farmers and owners of agricultural land in correcting a basic fault which adversely affects our entire national existence. An analysis of this unemployment promoting fault as here presented, shows the necessity of a business approach (instead of the attempted political one), in correcting this unnatural restriction and resultant inadequate production of goods.

The profit system and free enterprise must develop into a more stable and efficient economy or risk being thrown into the discard.



The Most Deadly "Ism"

The root of unemployment and associated ills is unintentional **obstructionism** in holding out of use more than half of our billion acres of tilled or tillable land. This includes large sections of our finest agricultural areas. Farmers owning less than 200 million acres have joined in the AAA soil Conservation movement. This gives an indication of the restriction which is in effect.

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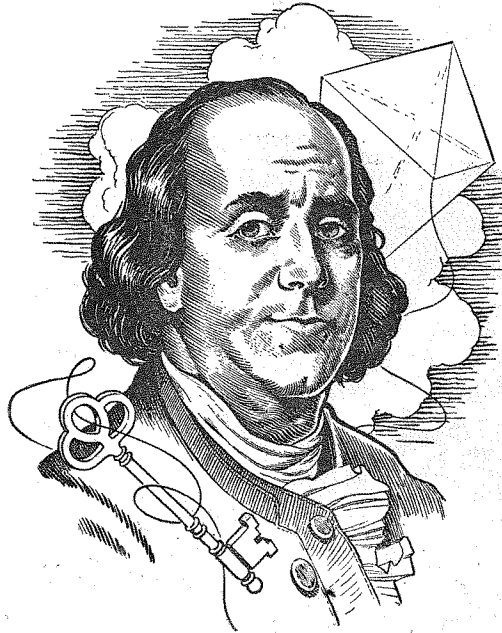


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"Truth is My only Cunning"



"THE WELFARE OF THE PUBLIC"

"All the property", said Benjamin Franklin, that "is necessary to a man for the conservation of the individual and the propagation of the species, is his natural right which none may justly deprive him of; but all property superfluous to such purposes is the property of the public, who by their laws have created it, and who may therefore, by other laws, dispose of it, whenever the Welfare of the Public shall demand such disposition." (This patently refers to unused land and natural resources.)

"He that does not like civil society on these terms, let him retire and live among savages. He can have no right to the benefit of society, who will not pay his club toward the support of it".

As to the importance of "Paying Our Club" in relation to agricultural land held out of use for Investment Purposes and the key problem, unemployment, that great American, Franklin, had he been living today, could have uttered no stronger or more timely endorsement of this Natural Law Plan named in his honor, than that here presented.

Issued by the Benjamin Franklin Research Society, Inc.

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511 Gravier Street

New Orleans, La.

The "Ben. Franklin" Plan

Instead of vast unemployment, there will actually be a shortage of help in the U. S. if this "Public Utility" agrarianism plan is developed along with modernization and complete electrification.



He Now Runs a Public Utility

ACCORDING to a new trend of economic thinking, and laws based on this philosophy backed by recent Supreme Court decisions, farming may now be considered a Public Utility. As such, the farmer is in a favorable position to correct a basically unsound, restrictive, and far reaching fault in our general economy.

UNDER this proposed readjustment and "streamlining" of old time methods, the owners and operators of all neighboring lands may be approached from a quite different angle and asked to pay, instead of taxes, their proportion of local costs on both improved and unused lands. This Ben. Franklin Plan payment is to be on the basis of benefits received, services and social advantages available or rendered to each holder. It might be called a "Community Service Charge" Plan.

EXISTING systems of regulating and operating agricultural property have, as will be shown, a strangulating and scattering effect on development, and are unfair to the great majority of the farmers and the public as a whole. This results in much of our richest and best agricultural land (a large proportion of the whole), being left unused or imperfectly developed.

THE object of this pamphlet is to show how our farming interests can be given a true understanding of this problem and a knowledge of the Natural Law factors. This is necessarily the first step in securing their approval and cooperation. If in their own general interest, and that of the public, they take advantage of the opportunity, then with the help of government and industry, they will not only gain for themselves true "social security", which includes satisfactory living conditions, but also the long hoped-for "balance" between agriculture and industry. Along with this, they will make the greatest contribution of all time in permanently doing away with national unemployment.

ALL countries, including our own, have endeavored to stem the crisis forced upon them by adopting an opposite policy, one of "scarcity"—and this is done through still further restricting trade and production. It is hoped, therefore, that a proposal of "plenty" through awakened individualism and self-help, as outlined in later pages, will secure the thoughtful consideration it deserves.

IN this modern day an almost 100%-use of electricity in industry and mass production requires that Agriculture and Electricity be also made inseparable, if the cycle is to be completed and the Farmer, City Worker, and Business Man prosper as they should.

WHY is it that less than 28% of the farms of this country are served by electricity? This, notwithstanding the whole-hearted and very costly promotional efforts of both government and our electric utilities. Large sums are being expended by Rural Electrification Administration (approximately \$267,000,000 have been allotted through November 1939.)

THE answer is to be found in the great cost (uneconomic conditions, etc.) incident to reaching these scattered users, and idle land holdings on a scale not seen in any other country. Much of the richest and best land is withheld from cultivation for "investment purposes", and this dotted here and there as shown on page 12, has resulted in making Farming America (less than 28% electrified), a backward country as compared to Germany and Japan 90%, France between 90 and 95%, and Holland practically 100%. For example, Baldwin County, on Mobile Bay, Ala. (almost the size of Rhode Island), and the largest county east of the Mississippi River, has, according to the U. S. Census of Agriculture, 1935, only 16.7% of its lands under cultivation. Baldwin County, as is well known, is greatly favored in its fertility and natural advantages.



**RHODE ISLAND, SMALLEST
STATE IN THE UNION,
HAS THE BIGGEST NAME...
OFFICIALLY, IT'S "THE STATE
OF RHODE ISLAND AND
PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS."**

ONE has only to drive through farming sections, particularly as they are grouped around cities and towns in the South, to see that this is not only not unusual, but on the contrary, quite typical.

UNDER the Ben. Franklin Plan of Natural Law domination, the concentration of farming which will take place in **the better** areas, will very shortly bring complete electrification to the farmers of America, and this without a burdensome increase in our national debt. This will occur naturally and without man-made restrictions or "regimentation". The implications of this change in farming methods and home life are very great and far-reaching as they refer not only to electrification but to other services and conveniences as well as to the maintenance of the family size farm as the standard of American agriculture.

ELECTRIFICATION, while proceeding now at an accelerated rate, (and many think that R. E. A. is the outstanding accomplishment of the New Deal), will, at the pace it is going, take many years and **untold sums of money** before real headway can be made under present-day conditions.

THE great potentiality for creating wealth that is inherent in our nine million unemployed is one which is closely intermeshed with this proposal, and a special effort is made here to show that the Plan rests upon a firm foundation of basic Natural Law.

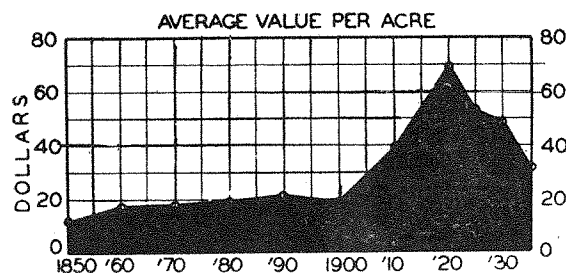
UNDER this new status, and as one only of its many advantages, the farmer's operations and his "way of living" would never again be subjected to the temptation of a speculative and ruinous land gamble. With cheap money now available and possible boom conditions coming again, the temp-

tation to speculate in land, assume heavy mortgage debt (such as still oppresses), may unless this recommended change be made, break loose again with even more disastrous results than accompanied the land gamble which we have so painfully been liquidating in recent years.

THE chart "Value of Farms", as compiled from Department of Agriculture figures, shows the "mountainous" and otherwise uncontrollable rise and the always to be expected collapse, debt, and general wreckage that follows a farm realty inflationary period.

Value of Farms (Land and Buildings)
1850 - 1935

Compiled from 1935 Census of Agriculture
by Bureau of Agricultural Economics



THE public interest, as well as his own, will best be served if the farmer through a Community Service-Charge plan relegates to the outmoded this old time speculative or "commercial concept" of farm lands, and institutes a new, constructive, and fair-to-all public utility economy in harmony with Natural Law.

WITH seventy-five percent of our people (even in 1929), not making enough to provide the budgetary requirements for an adequate diet, it is essential that we thoroughly explore this agricultural "electrical

age" proposal, opening our farming regions to a "Better Living" development. The plan would solve also the vitally important problem of distribution by diverting a large proportion of farm production to use. The consumer, under conditions much more favorable than now, would directly consume much of what he himself produced, and with a resultant far higher standard of living and a better morale than can ever be brought about by Federal relief measures. The present farm-rehabilitation and "resettlement" efforts in that direction are worthy of much commendation. However, under present restrictive local taxation, (plus other unfavorable economic conditions), these measures are merely palliative and can never be effective on a large scale unless the basic changes we recommend are first made. Instead of merely doctoring "symptoms", we must remove the cause of the disease.

AS we refer to unemployment "symptoms" and the repercussions we have seen, the government to secure funds for "relief", etc., has not hesitated to step in ahead of stockholders, and as it were, confiscate through high income and other taxes a large part of earnings—in many cases almost or entirely wiping out the owners' equity. The question is whether we haven't been "killing the goose that lays the golden eggs", and overlooking the real cause of our trouble,—the fellows who, as Franklin foresaw, are not "paying their club";—those who are holding for a "rise", or otherwise preventing use and development of our rich agricultural lands. They are the ones who hold the key to expansion and plenty. Apparently these owners are not even aware themselves of the harm they are doing the nation's economy, (and inferentially their own best interests), as things come to their inevitable fruition and they, or their children, fall victims of coming distatorships of the "right" or "left".



FARM TO FACTORY—

A RECENT SURVEY SHOWS THAT 133 DIFFERENT AGRICULTURAL RAW MATERIALS ARE USED BY INDUSTRY TO MAKE EVERYTHING FROM AIRPLANE PROPELLERS TO RADIO CABINETS.

It is interesting to note that Dr. Charles M. A. Stine, head of the duPont Company's huge research program, states that it isn't at all fantastic to suppose that some day our houses, highways, and automobiles will be fabricated out of annual farm-grown crops. He believes that the possibilities of expansion in agriculture are probably greater than those awaiting any other industry.

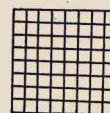
ABOLISHING SPECULATIVE FARM LAND VALUES

THE fictitious nature of farm land values are astounding, and their effect is not only to restrict our national economy, but to work against the best interests of the farmers themselves, for seldom do they realize anything out of the land gamble. But worse than this, the effect is disastrous to our country youth, who driven in large numbers to the cities to go on relief, glut the labor market or are enticed into crime. Either this, or they remain at home where due to artificial restrictions, their services are not needed, and where normal development is impossible. According to government figures CCC, NYA and WPA together are reaching "not more than one out of every five unemployed young people".

THE American Youth Commission is now asking for one billion dollars, with which to look after 3,500,000 unemployed youths, many of whom are to "produce the goods and services needed by themselves." Without in any way reflecting on the Commission who are evidently driven to this step, the proposal we are making comes none too soon if we are to have normal self-reliant development, thus helping save the country for

free enterprise and from embarking on the same socialistic path which has engulfed some European countries in disaster and ruin.

AS to the meaning of these fictitious values so damaging to our economy, let us assume an oasis eight miles square in a desert to be divided into 64 equal squares like a checker-board. Let us say that each square, one square mile of potentially useful land is owned by a different absentee owner. Let us suppose that there is only one man willing to locate there and that he has only \$1,000 plus certain personal effects, and that he wants a square mile of land. He approaches each one of the 64 owners, and each wants \$1,200, but the prospective purchaser has only \$1,000. The effect of his offer will be that each owner will think his land could be sold for \$1,000, and valued as we are accustomed to value rural land, the oasis would be deemed worth \$64,000. In this manner are values artificially created. At the same time the land is being kept away from one who could use it to create wealth.



UPON reflection, it will be clear to anyone, that in a large degree, this is happening every day in every locality, and that, as in the case of the oasis, our farm taxation system favors the discouragement of enterprise and automatically tends towards keeping both agriculture and industry on the lowest level of existence. The fact that we have always used a "self-closing device" against wealth production and the utilization of these unused tracts, does not bar us against the substitution of what would in effect be a "self-opening" one, both to labor

and capital. As a parallel case it might be said that without the discovery of the "self-starter" principle, the automobile would still be languishing in its developmental stage. With a little patience and ingenuity we can do the same thing for our stalling economic machine.

IN the vicinity of our consuming centers, there is much unused rich and potentially productive land served with excellent transportation, and possessing costly man-made advantages—such as roads, schools, electric and telephone connections, police protection, social and other services built up at enormous community expense.

THIS good land is held out of use because the owners are not required to pay their proportion of the heavy community overhead and operating expense. The land therefore is unused while being held for speculative reasons, awaiting the development of a market. Aside from the unemployment angle, this is most unfair to the majority, as according to Department of Agriculture figures, for every one to have a sufficiently nutritious diet, forty million extra acres are now needed beyond 1933 plantings.

BY a reversion to Natural Law and common sense these title holders can be shown that it is to their ultimate advantage that these lands be brought into service. In order to change the status of these lands, the owner could be given assistance and a period of time for adjustment, say five or ten years.

PEOPLE in farming communities, on the other hand, when provided with correct information as to these all important factors can be taught the futility of non-development and the mistake of selling their community service to some title holders below market value.

BUSINESS men who conduct their enterprises in a reckless and improvident manner eventually come to grief, and the same holds true for the "body politic". As time goes on, the state or county which persists in a disregard for the best interests of their people, will be avoided just as is the individual who fails in his obligations.

BY way of illustration, people attend the theatre because they like the show put on there; so people live in a country because they like the "show". And there again, the price of occupancy should be determined by the **value** of the show and not by the value of the seat. Always the price is determined by the value of the show, and of course, the relative location of the seat. As the parallel to this becomes understood and its far-reaching implications, these county governmental units will overcome the abuses of the past by using instead a Community Service-Charge plan, as here outlined.

MECHANICS OF COMMUNITY SERVICE-CHARGE A SIMPLE MATTER

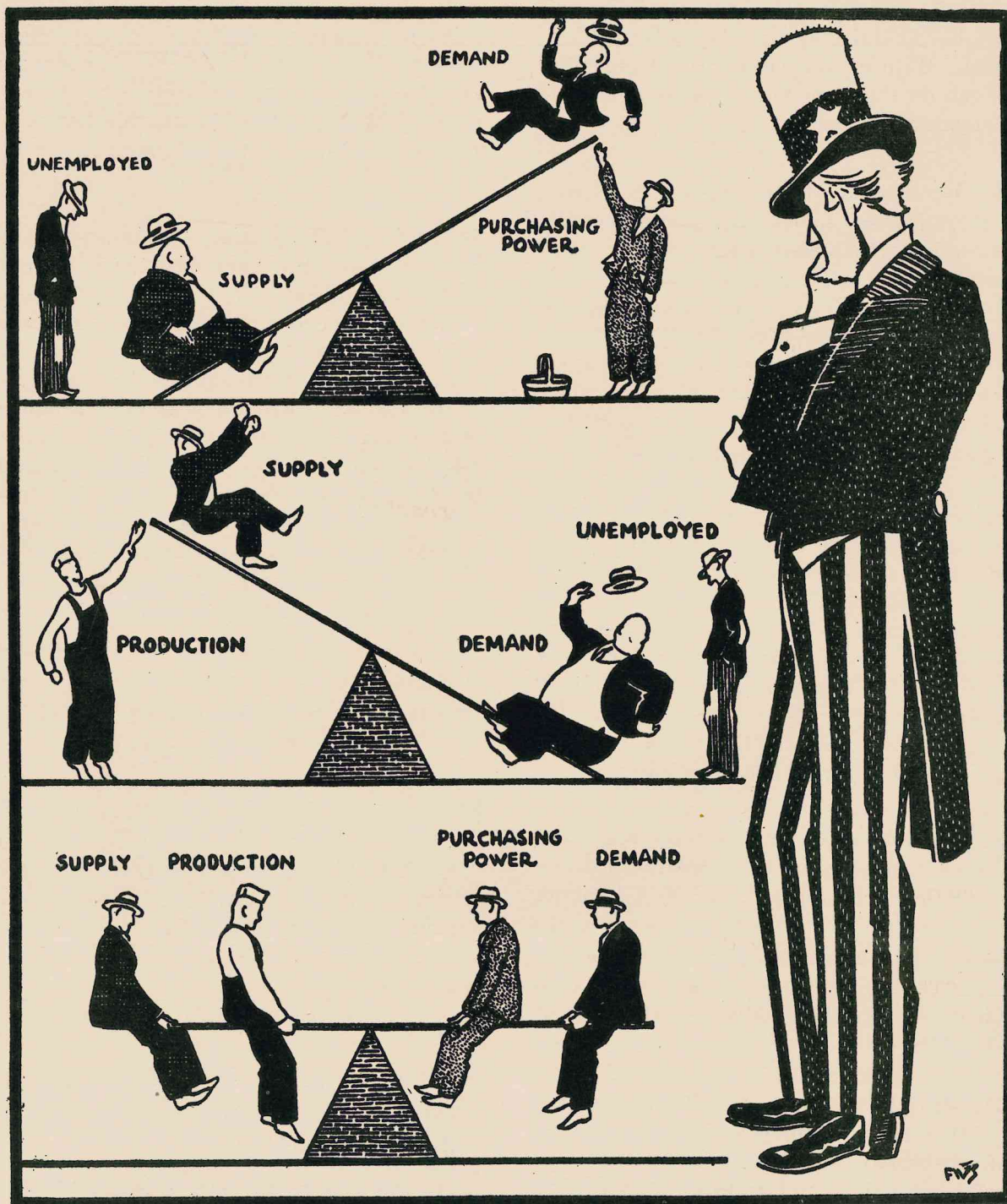
PARTLY paraphrasing and partly quoting from L. D. Beckwith, economist, editor, and owner of several publications on the Pacific Coast, (in a recent editorial in "The Forum" on the general subject of the parent philosophy as it applies to both rural and urban land, and matter of taxes and rent), we endeavor to clarify the subject for the farm Service-Charge idea by stating that:

"The ownership of the land is not involved in this matter. Neither is the title to the land.

"All that is involved is the law to the producer belongs the product, which means that those who put on the show should be paid".

THE "BEN. FRANKLIN PLAN" WOULD BALANCE THIS

In the only way it can be balanced—i.e. giving free play to Natural Forces.



Drawn by F. Wenderoth Saunders

Courtesy of Christian Science Monitor

Capitalism Must Balance, as Shown, or Unemployment Springs Into Being
Supply, Demand, Production, and Purchasing Power are four major elements which can produce a fifth, Unemployment.

THE value of the farming section "show" is determined by the price people will pay for sites in the rental market.

THE Community Service-Charge is "compensation for the contributions made by people around and about (far and near), to the security, comfort, convenience and enjoyment of the site. It is equivalent to the rent that people are willing to pay for the use of the site; however, it is not paid for land, or for anything on or in the land. Nor is it paid for the bounty of nature"; it is **paid for service**, including the farmer's service in doing what he does to make the community life what it is; his contribution in the way of "stand-by" service in being ready to serve if called. "His contribution in the way of good neighborhood, committee service, civic leadership, etc. The only way he can get the compensation due him for this is to have it collected into the public treasury (instead of taxes), and used for his public needs."

"A question is asked concerning the part to be played in all this by the assessor. The answer to that is that there will be no assessor. There would be nothing to assess".

THE Community Service-Charge would be determined by those who pay it; for they "get their feet under a table" with the titleholder and agree to pay thus or so much.

"This is easily ascertainable. Then from that figure is subtracted the value of the improvements, which can be ascertained by consulting any competent contractor, or a Board made up of such experts. The remainder is the value of the location advantages."

"IT must not be forgotten that this charge is a debt to the public, and that once it is generally understood as such", together

with the new vista of revitalized business and high consumption of farm products "people will concur in a fine spirit towards paying this bill. Just as a man today does not like to be caught failing to salute the flag", so then, and for the same reason, a man would not like to be caught careless about paying his Community Service expense.

"Nor would it be easy for one to cover up or evade payment, for every one of his neighbors would be wanting improvements in schools, streets, bridges, pavements, etc., and so all would be watching to see that the collector gets all that is due" (probably in the form of a county Land Use Clinic).

THE neighbors in a manner quite different from present proceedings would be the "assessors", and they would be alert to see that the collector makes the collection.

"The bid-and-ask method would not be invoked. There would be instead, a neighboring consensus of opinion that would establish the Service Charge for each section."

"Exclusive private control of all farm lands is an essential of this proposal; we are strongly opposed to land being owned or controlled by the state except as this refers to that used by the public for roads, parks, etc."

TITLE owner "operators" under this plan, not being required to pay a tax on improvements, and with sales and other restrictive taxes "on the way out", would find this "Community Service-Charge" approximating their present taxes. Renters also would find their charges about what they are now paying. Title holders would own the land exactly as they do now, except that owners finding themselves called upon to pay the service charge, would not long find

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"EVIL EYE"—OF OLD

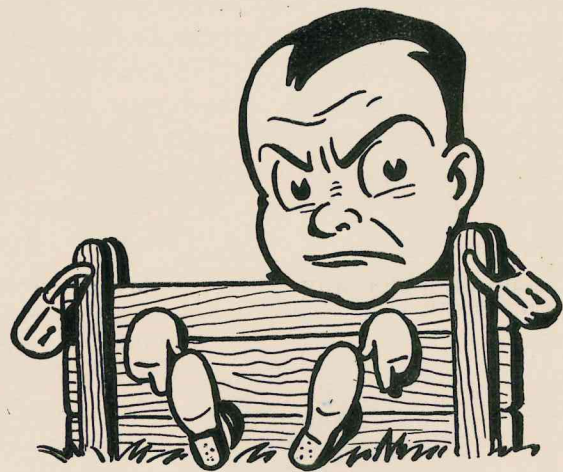
Said to have brought on Pestilential Visitations and other mass or individual Bad Luck. Luckless individuals burned at the stake, or driven from the Community. Bell ringing to drive Comets away.

AND THEN:

There arose in the Medical Field Pasteur, Ehrlich, great exponents of "Natural Law" truth, who taught that to cure, you must first know, and then **Remove the Cause.**

AFTER THAT,

The Medical World made tremendous strides in Sanitation, Eradication of Plagues, and the previously little understood causes of human illness.



"EVIL HEART" OF TODAY

The "Pillorying" of Business, Wealth, Corporations, (a form of Witch Burning), is as unfair, damaging, and to a large extent unreasoning as the "Evil Eye" attacks of old. Shall we Analyze this? Apply the Real Remedy? Or shall we embrace "Marxist" or some other "Dictatorship", with all the horrible things that implies?

Just as the Scientists after many painful years found murderous bacteria at work, so economists now find hitherto unobserved "little bugs" eating away the very vitals of our Social Organism. The "Ben. Franklin Plan" provides the much needed antidote.

it desirable to hold land out of use. The speculative or non-operating owner, when called upon to pay his fair share of the Community Service expense would feel a strong urge to either use his land, or turn it over to some one who would.

ASIDE from the sure to come expansion in "self" and other employment which would take place on presently unused lands, it is easy to see where a great wave of improvement of farm lands and homes would soon be under way. Present day penalizing of those making improvements, would become a thing of the past. Banks, insurance companies, and private owners of unused lands would soon find that whereas there was a shrinkage in their speculatively held values (unrealizable except under very exceptional circumstances), this condition was more than balanced by the greater value of their improvements, as well as appreciation in other holdings. The increased stability of all kinds of business and the security from threatened confiscation (as we now see it), is a matter of tremendous import in the weighing of the various factors here presented.

"INCENTIVE TAXATION"

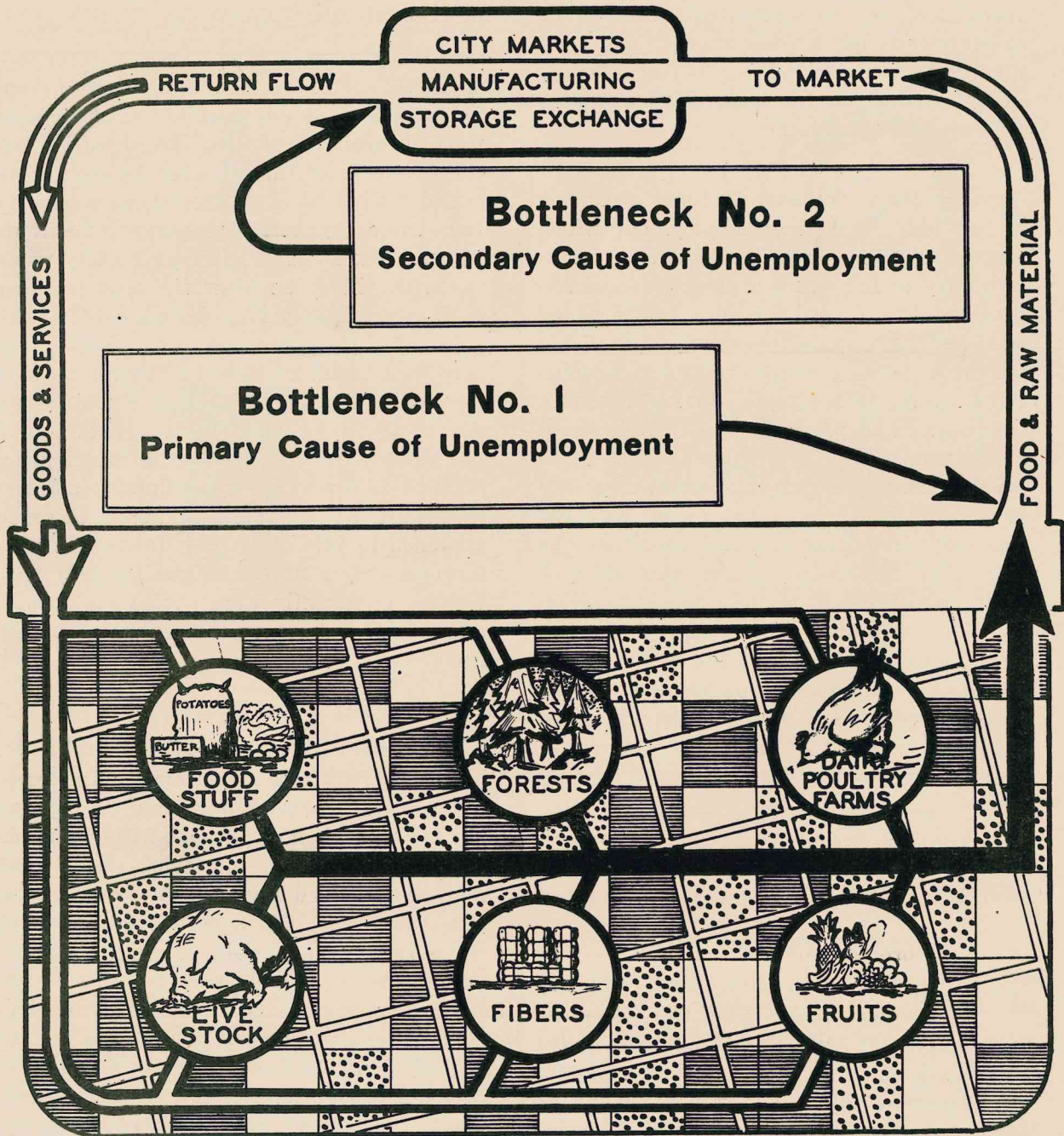
THE Ben. Franklin Community Service-Charge plan would take the place of present property taxes and local sales taxes in farming districts, would furnish a powerful incentive, and it is really not a tax at all;—it is the mere collection of a locally created charge that is due, and a charge that in view of the preponderance of usable tracts in the U. S. A. over potential users, **cannot be passed on to somebody else.** The Community Charge, however, would have to be made by authority of and in the nature

of a tax so as not to disturb bond issues and other local commitments.

THERE are many who think that the enforcement of our present day taxation methods are a remedy for this situation, but the weakness of this idea can be seen if we consider what has happened when we try to tax these "general property" fictitious values. The assessor attempts to levy taxes based on the value at which land is being sold. Immediately it is discovered that the land is not producing anything. What happens as a result of this? The tax rate is reduced to almost nothing, and land as we see it in every countryside is held out of use although the owners while contributing little to county expense, continue to ask fictitious prices. A realistic and common sense approach to this controlling factor is therefore not only a necessity, but the **only way** we can intelligently work out of our present difficulties and come to a really "abundant life".

IN a recent interview, Mr. Henry Ford, sensing with his usual clarity the basic difficulty in our economy, said "I hope to see the day when all idle land will be taxed heavily enough to force it into use". The method Mr. Ford suggests, however, (taxation), does not give a clear picture of the need, and may conceivably militate against building up a public demand for this all important change. The way to accomplish that, as we have said, is to first analyze the situation and then show these people (many of them poor themselves), who, on a supposed investment or speculative basis are holding land out of use (and thus helping bring on a holocaust from which they also will suffer), that it is to their ultimate advantage to use the land, or turn it over to those who will pay the Ben. Franklin Community Service-Charge.

A CYCLE THAT DEFIES NATURE



LEGEND

 LAND IN FULL PRODUCTION

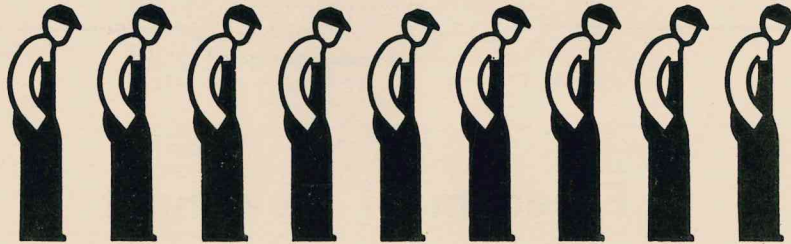
 PARTIALLY DEVELOPED LAND

 UNUSED LAND

 ROADS, ELECTRIC, TELEPHONE LINES, ETC, BUILT THROUGH COMMUNITY EFFORT

OUR "ECONOMY OF SCARCITY"

Each Symbol represents 1,000,000 Unemployed. Artificial and man-made "Scarcity" of Work is costing the American People about \$20,000,000,000 annually.



"BOTTLENECK" NUMBER ONE

The primary cause for unemployment and low income distress (both farm and city), results from the failure of local farming communities to collect the value of services provided at great expense to title holders by government and society. These idle or partial production lands would quickly be opened to use, and generally speaking, investors would avoid, (as they would a pestilence) speculation in, and the possession of unused lands if they were required to pay their fair proportion of community costs.

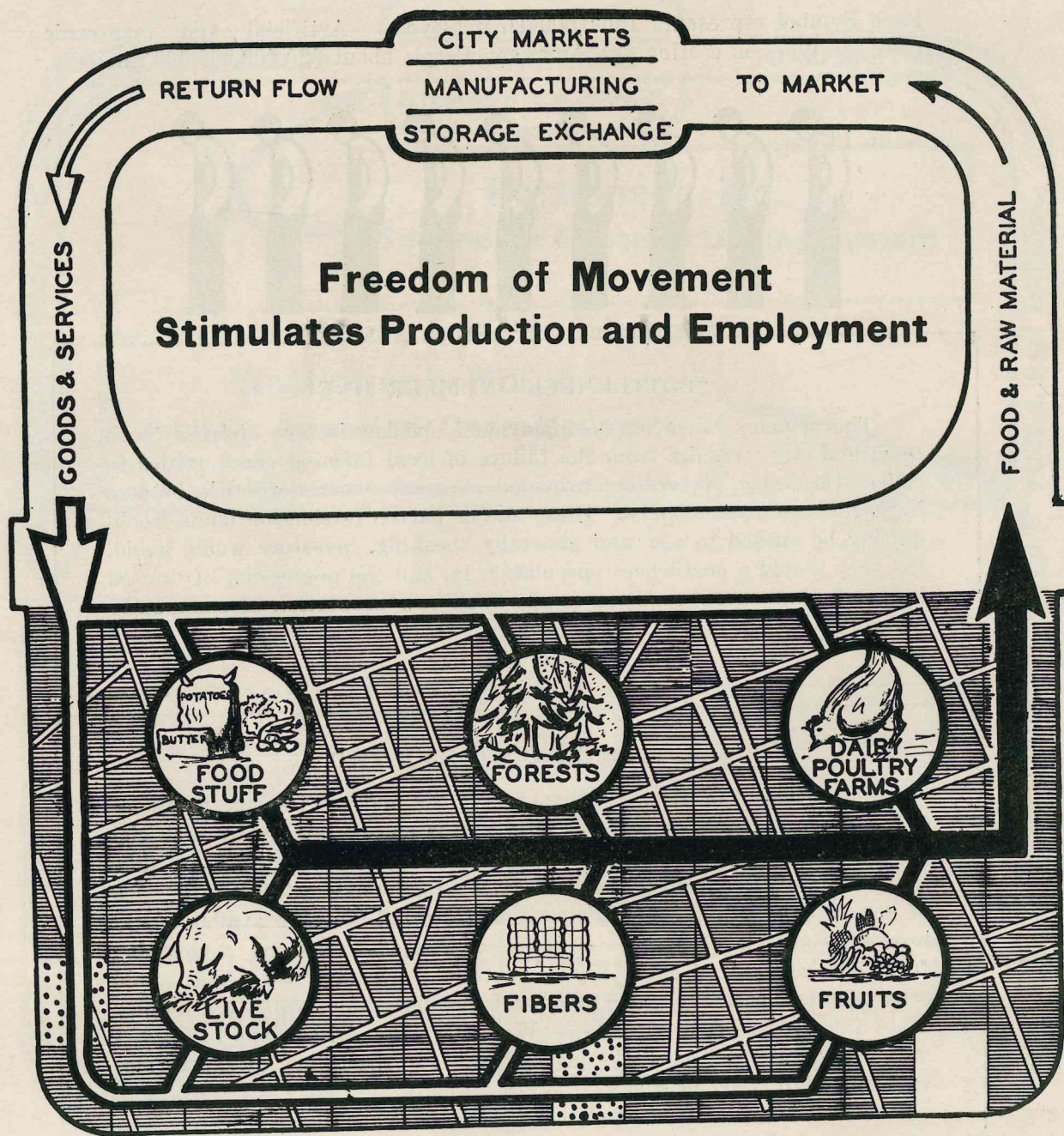
"BOTTLENECK" NUMBER TWO

Restricting the flow of low-price goods and services to the farms is a **secondary result of Number One**, and is caused largely by artificial conditions, excessive costs due to high taxation, etc., required to take care of the unemployed, or part time workers. Along with this, the lack of steady employment, and competition for what work is available, has brought higher labor and material costs. Frequent shut-downs resulting from lack of demand cause higher factory overhead costs than would otherwise be necessary. A \$15 a week farmer cannot very well employ a \$15 a day plasterer or mechanic. Wage laws, etc., which tend to restrict output and raise prices of the product, work to the injury of the farmer who must buy such products.

LAND IS THE FOUNTAINHEAD OF WEALTH

Failure of our "Scarcity" economics to function bountifully as does the "Moisture Cycle" is due to a choking of the natural ebb and flow of raw and manufactured materials resulting from this "bottleneck" situation.

A CYCLE IN HARMONY WITH NATURE



LEGEND

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AN ECONOMY OF ABUNDANCE

Ben. Franklin Plan
Will Reopen the
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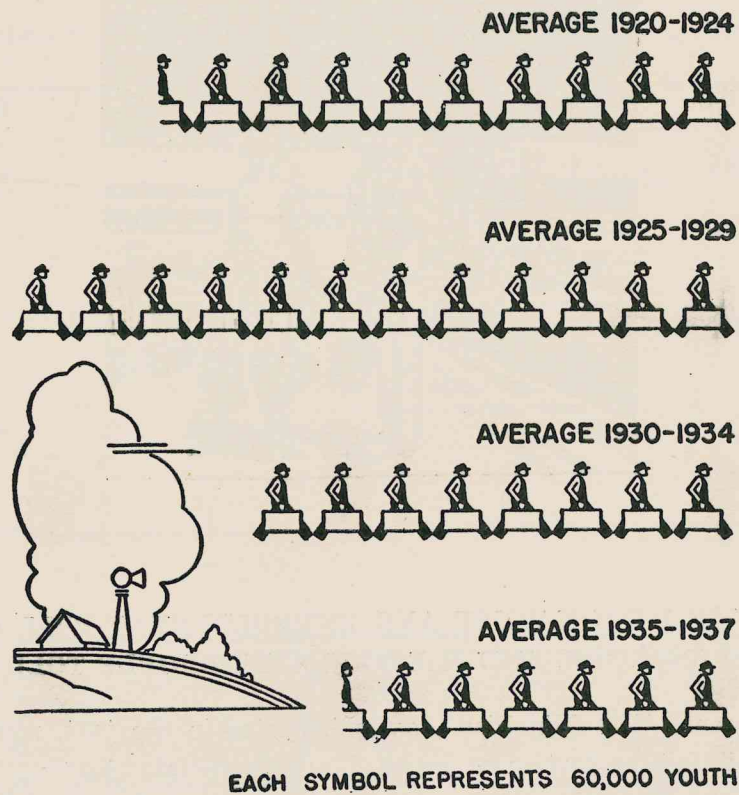
It Will Create
A New Pioneer
Spirit in
America

COOPERATE WITH NATURE AND UNEMPLOYMENT WILL CEASE. FIGHT HER, AND SHE TAKES A TERRIBLE TOLL.

This common sense “Franklin Plan”, as is indicated in the text, merely asks all title holders to pay their fair proportion of expense. Compare this chart with the “Scarcity” one and note how the changed conditions we recommend will **open unused lands** to production and serve as an effective antidote to the silent and sinister operation of European tax methods in America, which have actively promoted speculative land-holding in this country, so that (gradually and imperceptibly), all unused ground of any promise whatever,—from coast to coast—has been taken up in idle holdings.

MARGIN OF CULTIVATION

Large sections of our finest agricultural areas are placed outside the “Margin of Cultivation”; our nation has thus in a sense become shrunk. Imbalance between farm and factory and unnaturally restricted development in farming sections not only has brought about a condition where the farmer is, generally speaking, compelled to do without the good things of life (on account of high costs and impossibility of making a profit), but it cuts down the industrial system’s market for goods so that huge surplus stocks pile up unsold. When this is changed through operation of the Franklin Plan, vast turgid masses of unemployed proletariat would be released from the cities, as by the bursting of a dam. They would go, for the historic reason that populations always go where they can get land.



RURAL YOUTH MIGRATION TO TOWNS AND CITIES

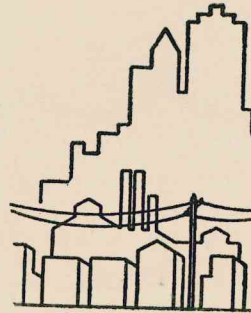
Inflationary or speculative prices for acreage is often a deciding factor in making it difficult for these young men to acquire farms, or operate at a profit on a "tenure" basis.

It is the old story; if a farmer wants improvements, he must very often finance them himself; and then when his lease runs out, he finds his rent higher because of the improvements.

1920-1924 AVERAGE



1925-1929 AVERAGE



1930-1934 AVERAGE



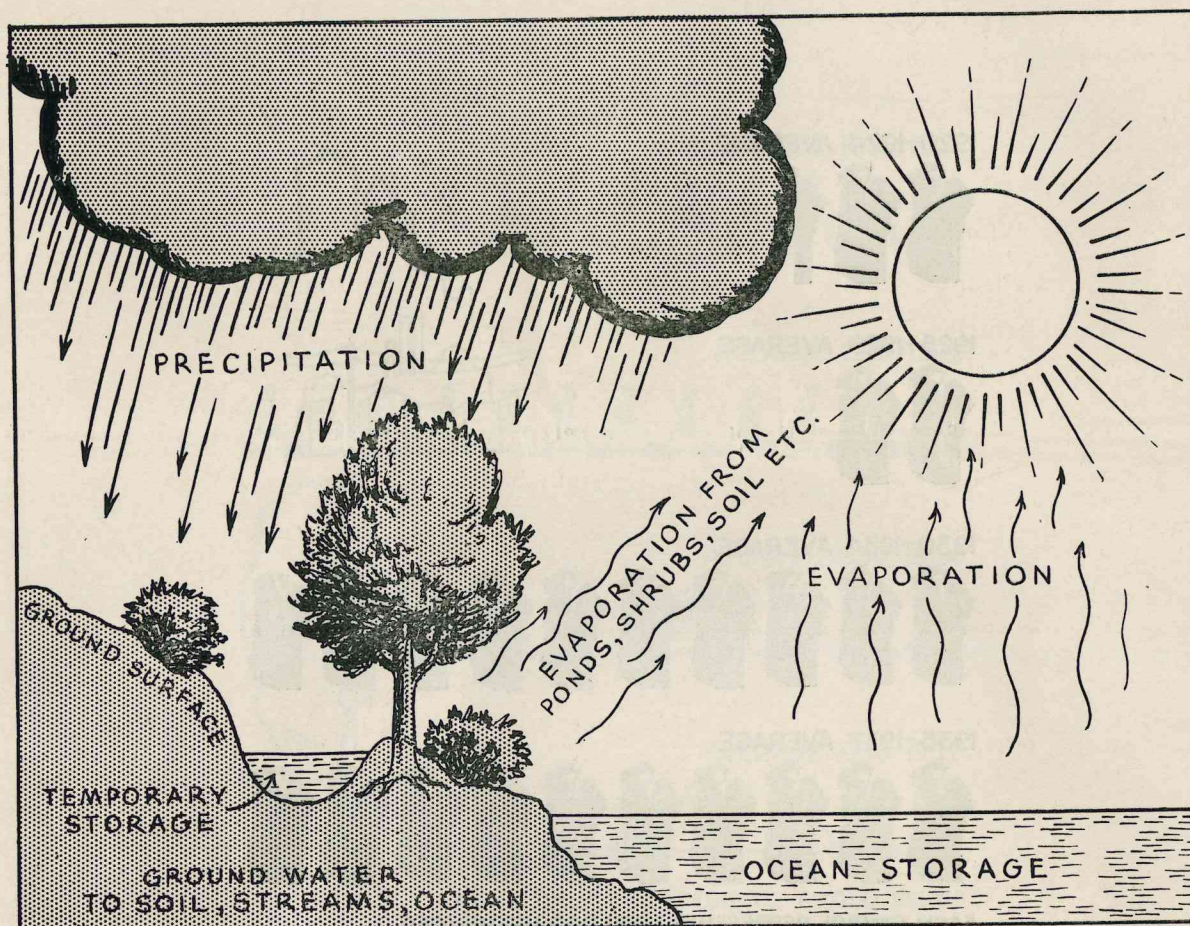
1935-1937 AVERAGE



EACH SYMBOL REPRESENTS 1,000,000 UNEMPLOYED

IN THE CITIES HE FINDS WIDESPREAD UNEMPLOYMENT

Inflated land prices at home played its part in causing his "migration" and then "dogs" his steps in the city. A tragic picture of the aftermath of the great building and "city real-estate" boom of the twenties. Attempted reverse movements in the farm direction can do no real good until accompanied by the application of a new factor in agriculture—the Ben. Franklin "Community Service-Charge" plan which discourages speculation and opens land to productive use.

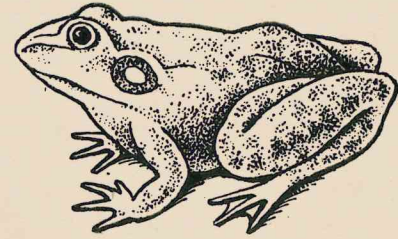


NATURE'S "MOISTURE CYCLE" (No Man-Made Restriction)

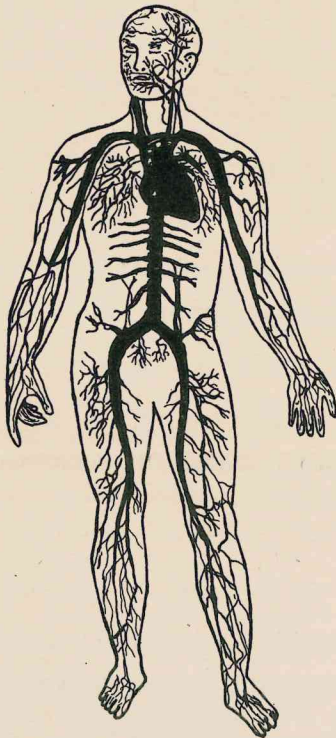
This basic force, an essential in sustaining Plant Life and through it the Living World, would soon be disrupted were it not that moisture is drawn up to the heavens regardless of man-made laws, and "rain falls alike on the just and unjust". With this "fall" there begins the first step in the "man-made erosion" (with its implied low farm morale), as it affects a portion of our one billion acres of tilled or tillable soil. While serious, this is as nothing when compared to the "erosion" which our national economy has suffered and is suffering as the result of this closely related angle of farm matters which we herewith explore and give "Natural Law" attention to, as a key factor in saving free enterprise and our "American Way of Life".

Had we understood this, a force stronger than ourselves, that great national misfortune the "trek" to the Dust Bowl need **never have happened**—also the sad effects of "share-cropping" (as we see it today), need not long be a part of our national economy, if the change we recommend be put into effect.

Warm Blooded Economics Vs. The Frog Variety



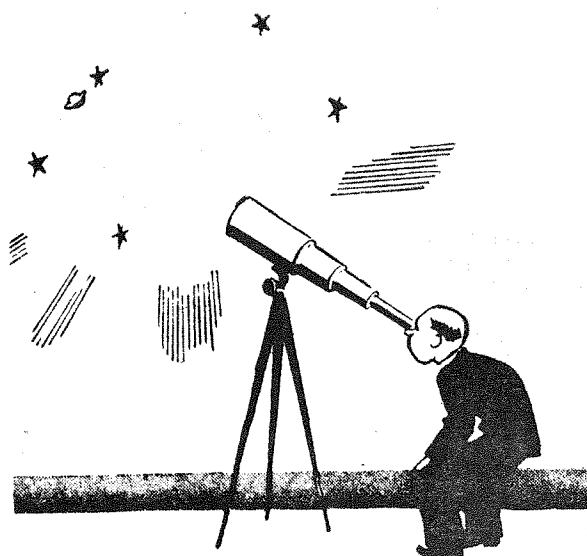
"Biology affords an analogy. Our rigid economy represents a low order of evolution. The cold-blooded animals lack a compensating mechanism; they function like the business cycle. The warm blooded animals have compensating mechanisms and serve as a pattern of how our economic society might function whenever we decide to give Nature a chance. Our economy, under present artificial and entirely unnecessary conditions, often suffers from a vicious spiral,—a self-aggravating disequilibrium. (Depressions where industrial operations are slowed down and great pools of unemployed labor are left stranded and in danger of starvation.) Our physiology has a self-corrective mechanism. When it fails, we become ill. Illness in the human body is due to failure to compensate, as the physiologists call it. Economic and social distress is likewise due to failure to compensate."



Would we seriously consider an Agency to distribute the red corpuscles of the blood throughout an animal body so that every part would be adequately served?

Circulation of the Blood

In the plan detailed on other pages, we endeavor to make clear the "compensatory" device provided by Nature and ready for use as a self-corrective mechanism in automatically shifting workers from farm to factory, (or the reverse as the need arises), whenever we decide to get away from present lowly evolved economics, agonizing uncertainty, restrictive laws, taxes and practices which never can cure unemployment distress.



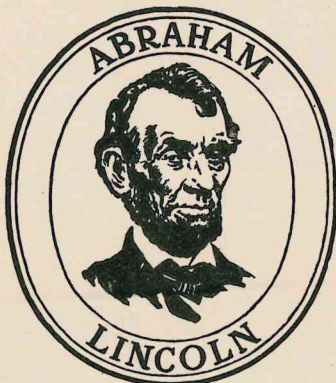
Planned Astronomy

"Planning" for the national welfare is essential; however, as in other matters, these should start with a broad recognition of limitations as prescribed by Natural Law—otherwise they are only as workable as "planned astronomy".

DISEASE OF THE "BODY POLITIC"

This unhealthy unemployment condition indicates a deep-seated and self generated toxemia which comes from the same relative cause as disease in the human body. Due to man-made strictures and handicaps, also a mistaken adoption in this country of some of the Marxian philosophy which has now proved such a disastrous failure in Europe, the weakly circulating "life blood" in our national economy has now reached a low ebb and has cost the American people more than 100 billion dollars since the depression set in. This has occurred in a country (and Body Politic) which every one knows is capable of supporting in plenty twice the population which America now has.

Nothing in Nature stands still; either we grow, or decay. "It was planned that way" by a wise and superintelligent Creator. If we ignorantly or selfishly bar ourselves from our Natural Resources and thus stand in the way of National Growth now unmistakably pressing forward for expression in this country, the explosive forces generated will rend and destroy us, and this as surely as such repression and unintelligent handling have done in other countries, and in other ages.



LINCOLN ON THE LAND QUESTION

"The land, the earth that God gave to man for his home, his sustenance, and support, should never be the possession of any man, corporation, society or unfriendly Government, any more than the air of the water, if as much. An individual or enterprise requiring land should hold no more in their own right than is needed for their home and sustenance, and never more than they have in actual use in the prudent management of their legitimate business.

"Thou Shalt Not Steal"

The "Great Emancipator" was principally responsible for ending the wholesale "appropriation" of the labor product of millions of unfortunate human beings. As this refers to land use, and the present unemployment situation, no stronger backing for the Franklin Plan could be asked that these thoughts that have come down to us from Lincoln, the immortal battler for human rights.

In this mandate against stealing, as it encompasses the **despoiling of labor and capital** now so prevalent, we have a Natural Law which "executes itself", and the present turmoil in Europe is merely the working out of this deeply significant command.

To quote another great American, Ralph Waldo Emerson, "This law writes the laws of the cities and nations. It will not be balked of its end in the smallest iota. It is vain to build or plot or combine against it. Things refuse to be mismanaged long".

THE FUTURE BELONGS TO THE GANGSTER—UNLESS

Unless our people can be brought to understand that a "planned economy" such as has been tried in both communist and fascist countries abroad is not successful, we are in for further trouble over here. The bitter unrest and dissatisfaction in this country that has cropped up at times is sufficient warning that "it can happen here". Therefore, we must stop tinkering with symptoms. We must get at the root of the economic troubles. The Ben. Franklin Plan is the cure and antidote for economic sickness.

Much has been said about "business must provide jobs or the government does is Statements like this are based on the premise that private enterprise or business is unanimous and acts under one directing head. This, of course, is erroneous. If it is so then we would have a fascist set-up. Business men need freedom from government interference. They must be allowed to function without hindrance. Above all, the brakes must be taken off at the source. That is, the land must be freed so that it can be used for production. Then we will have abundance (instead of scarcity) and employment.

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— IF THE RABBIT STANDS STILL IN THE MEANTIME

Under the Franklin Plan it is reasonable to believe that inside of five years our national income should reach 120 billions or more, and that, with decreased instead of augmented government "spending."



Carlisle in the Des Moines Register.

"Men are powerless to alter in any way the laws of Nature. That, we know, is the situation in physics, chemistry, physiology, etc."

In those fields, says Beckwith's newspapers, "experience shows that there is not a thing men can do but study Nature's laws and so find out how to take advantage of them."

Not their ignorance of economics, however, not knowing that all this distress comes of by a wise collect the Community Service Charge, thus keeping land open for use, the government's elaborate relief measures, with doles to agriculture, loans to stimulate building, pressing fervor adds to the tax load and hastens the collapse. The Carlisle cartoon shows destroy us, asident proposes to do about that. other countries,

A 40 Billion Dollar Market Is Tied Up in Sub-Standard Incomes and Idle Labor

INCOME ESTIMATE

(Families and Single Individuals)

Under \$750	32%
\$750 to \$1250.....	28%
\$1250 to \$2000.....	22%
\$2000 to \$5000.....	15%
Over \$5000	3%
	100%

Under the Ben. Franklin Plan the average unskilled worker will earn approximately \$2500 per annum. Skilled workers would about double this, and the job would be "hunting the man" in both classifications. This would increase our total income about 40 billion dollars.

How does that compare with the income estimate shown here?

A more than 10-billion-dollar market lies tied up in idle labor which at present is a four-billion-dollar tax-and-debt drag.

Let us banish unemployment, increase average incomes and do the job in a way which will put the Totalitarian (slavery) method to shame.

WHAT IS THE BENJAMIN FRANKLIN RESEARCH SOCIETY, INC.?

This association was formed by leading citizens who are interested in the welfare of our country. Believing that the world's troubles are economic and realizing that there has been too much generalizing and not enough study of facts, it is hoped that support will be found, making possible the conducting of a survey in some one state where conditions are most favorable for a tryout of this Plan. Modern day facilities such as newspapers, radio and motion pictures could then be used to bring this story to the public in a convincing manner.

Advantage was taken of the Louisiana laws relative to the formation of non-trading and non-profit corporations such as this, for scientific, literary, educational and social purposes.

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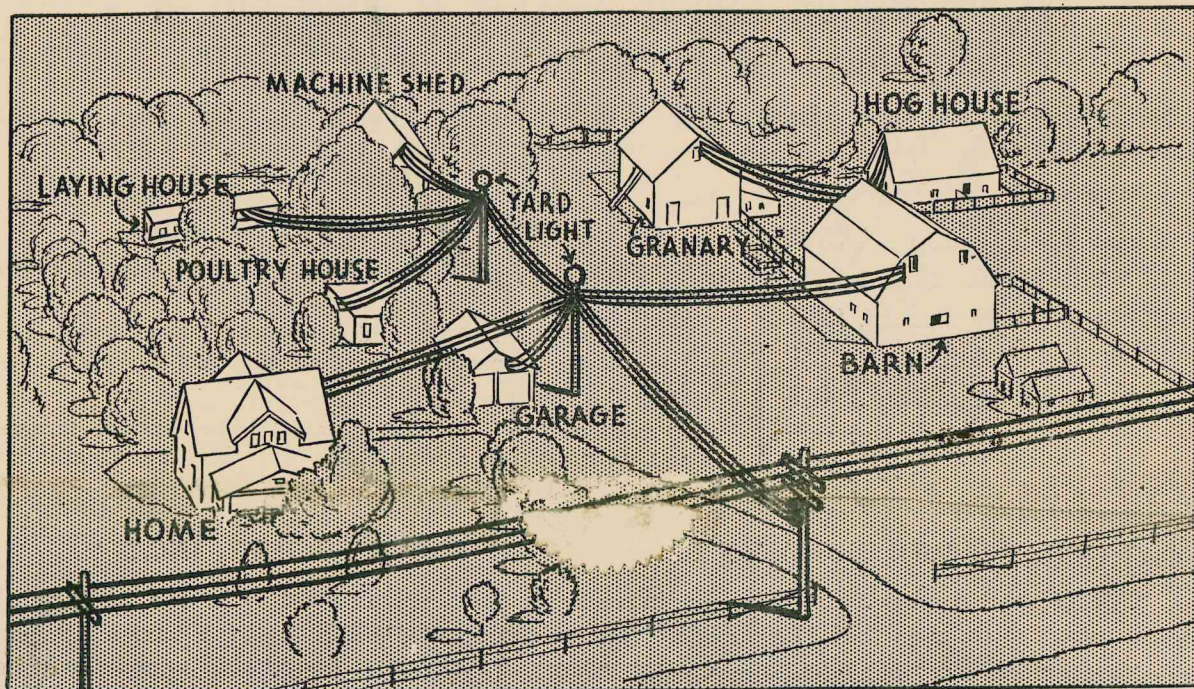
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The association is organized for study and research and under no circumstances is take part in political discussions.

It will make its researches and get the facts and then allow business men, industr statesmen and labor leaders, to draw their conclusions. The association under its cannot earn a profit and all monies received are spent for the purpose of research a The officers receive no salaries.

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Electricity will revolutionize farming America and do away with much of the drudgery of the past.

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From *W. E. Clement*
Ben. Franklin Research Society, Inc.
511 Gravier St. New Orleans, La.

*To Mr. C. A. Gaston,
Fairhope, Ala.*



Bay Minette	1940	1950
Fairhope	1763	3742 + 112.3
Clayton	1845	3359 + 82.1
Georgiana	1813	1591 - 12.2
Ashland	1627	1625 - 0.1
Hepler	1468	1600 - 0.5
Rid Bay	1684	1992 + 18.3
Eutaw	1560	1801 + 15.4
Dixie	1895	2344 + 24.0
Winfield	1740	2528 + 45.3
Boaz	1662	2106 + 26.7
Monroeville	1927	3083 + 60.0
Uniontown	1724	2787 + 41.7
Brundidge	1869	1796 - 3.9
York	1909	2609 + 36.7
Ordova	1783	1764 - 1.0
	1881	3147 + 67.3

1940 Census 1500 - 2000

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Dadeville	1549	2357
Fairhope	1549	3359
Genoa	1543	3580
Hondale	1517	1875
Jackson	1828	3040
Monte	1378	2805

Bay Mills	- - - -	3742 - 1743 + 112.3
Fairport	- - - -	3359 - 1845 + 82.1
Albionville	- - - -	3451
Union Springs	- - - -	3206 - 3107 + 3.2
Jackson	- - - -	3040 - 2039 + 49.1
Evergreen	- - - -	3461 - 2216 + 56.2
Witampka	- - - -	3812 - 3089 + 23.4
Fayette	- - - -	3710 - 2468 + 39.1
Genoa	- - - -	3580 - 2803 + 27.7
Franklin	- - - -	3439
Albionville	- - - -	3451
Bong	- - - -	3083 - 1427 + 60.0
Hartsville	- - - -	3403 - 2584 + 31.7
Alicsville	- - - -	3162 - 1475 + 114.4
Northport	- - - -	3895 - 3187 + 22.2
Lordova	- - - -	3147 - 1181 - 67.3
Haleysville	- - - -	3326 - 2427 - 37.0

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"FREE CAPITALISM OR LAPSE INTO TOTALITARIANISM"
Memorandum covering a few of the comments received
BENJAMIN FRANKLIN RESEARCH SOCIETY
339 Carondelet Street, New Orleans, La.

From Prof. Irving Fisher, New Haven, Conn.:

"Congratulations and I hope that you will succeed in carrying through your proposed investigation into the practical aspects of Land Value Taxation".

From Mr. Lawson Purdy, tax authority, 640 W. 158th St., New York, N.Y.:

"The usual research methods are not such as would get good results for our purpose. They tend to study phenomena in such detail as to miss the economic tendencies which are so important. I say this without any implication as to motives. May your work be blessed".

From Mr. Merle Thorpe, Editor and Publisher, "Nation's Business, Washington.

"You do well to explore positions with regard to land as a fundamental consideration in the state of the national economy. I commend your diligence in distinguishing for your readers and subscribers the characteristic difference between our own way of life and the newer fashions in the direction of individual and national interests".

From Mr. Robert Hutchins, University of Chicago, Chicago, Ill.:

"I have read "Free Capitalism or Lapse into Totalitarianism" with very great interest. I should like very much to have several copies of this pamphlet for my files."

From Mr. Bernarr Macfadden, Editor, Liberty Magazine, New York, N.Y.:

"Your folder is interesting and I appreciate your having taken the trouble to send me a copy. There is no question about the advisability of a simplification of our tax system".

From Mr. David Lloyd George, Bron-y-de, Churt, Surrey.:

Mr. F. L. Stevenson writes "Mr. Lloyd George has asked me to thank you for your letter and to say that he was very interested in the folder which you sent him. He appreciates your good wishes."

From Mr. Gene Tunney, Chairman, The American Distilling Co., New York.:

"This is the kind of propaganda that is important at this time. I wish every voter in America could read that sort of thing occasionally."

From Mr. Owen L. Scott, Associate Editor, United States News, Washington:

"Certainly this is an effective piece of work. Nothing is more fundamental than the use or failure to use the land resources of this nation".

From Mr. Louis Wallis, writer, Kew Gardens, Long Island, N.Y.:

"You have done a splendid piece of work. It should and will enlist outsiders".

From Mr. C. R. Walker, Editor, "Cause and Effect", Chicago, Ill.:

"It is a beautiful piece of work and chuck full of good things. It is indeed gratifying to know that a movement for remodeling our stupid tax system is making progress in the South".

From Mr. Alfred M. Bingham, Editor, "Common Sense" New York, N.Y.:

"It is one of the most attractive and interestingly presented pieces of educational literature I have seen".

From Mr. Brooks Hays, nationally known lecturer, Little Rock, Ark.:

"In the main I agree that many of the objectives essential to democratic society will be difficult to achieve without the adoption of some of these taxation principles set out in your literature. The spirit of Henry George still lives. While some of his views will probably need restatement in the light of changes in our industrial order, the fundamentals are the same".

From Mr. J. Rupert Mason, 1920 Lake Street, San Francisco, Cal.:

"I hasten to felicitate your Society for a most timely and urgently needed piece of literature which must get the widest possible circulation."

From Dr. John Dewey, Dean, School of Economics Columbia University, N.Y.:

"I am glad to know of your interest and anticipate instruction and pleasure in reading the folder."

From Mr. L. S. Herron, Farmers Educational & Cooperative State Union, Omaha

"Thank you for the broadside of the B.F.R. Society. It is chuck full of good stuff. Keep up the good work."

From Mr. Gilbert M. Tucker, Writer and Publisher, Albany, N.Y.:

"It is a grand and welcome surprise, (that literature of the B.F.R.S.) Congratulations! May it flourish and thrive and accomplish much. I shall certainly follow its career with interest".

From Mr. Harold S. Battenheim, Editor, "American City" magazine, New York:

"Your folder, of which you were good enough to send me an advance copy is a grand job. I like its unusual style and the way in which the pictures and quotations from famous men are displayed."

From Mr. Franklin Wentworth, 60 Batterymarch St., Boston, Mass.:

"Your folder is very handsome. It should impress those you are aiming at; and those who will read it should find some arresting statement in it to start trains of thought."

From Mr. A. Laurence Smith, President, Tax Relief Assn., Detroit, Mich.:

"You have made good use of the Brookings material which I think is fine. Will be glad to know how your Benjamin Franklin Society comes along".

From Mr. Wm. H. Hodge, Editor, Public Service Magazine, Chicago, Ill.:

"I agree that in these times any basic thing in which sincere leaders have indicated belief, should be thoroughly investigated with modern thought and means. Only by approaching our common troubles in the manner which you advocate can real progress be made. The time for superficial thinking and scheming is gone -- at least, I hope so."

From Mr. Calvin Fentress, President, Baker, Fentress & Co., Chicago, Ill.:

"I think it is a happy fact that men all over the country are giving careful thought to the political theories which are presently dominant because I believe that from such study lies our hope in reversing the trend which I believe bodes evil to all of us."

From Mr. S. D. Myers, Jr., Dallas, Texas.

"I agree with you thoroughly that we need free capital and free trade within our own borders, and that a sensible basis of taxation is essential. Further, I agree that we must have a system of free capitalism or that totalitarianism will inevitably result".

April 14, 1937

Mr. A. Delphey
207 Commerce St.
Montgomery, Ala.

Dear Sir:

We have been informed that we should look to you for payment of the rent on lots leased from our Corporation by Alabama Cooperative Industries #1.

We wish to inform you that the last statement rendered of \$125.51 for rent to Dec. 31, 1936 is correct and as it appears on the books of our Treasurer. On the first day of January an additional charge was made of \$43.10 for the first half of 1937.

Very truly yours,

Secretary

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