

PRESS CLIPPINGS

ON THE BIRTHPLACE OF HENRY GEORGE

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New Shrine In S. Phila.

NEW SHRINE: A small painted brick house on 10th St. below Lombard with a second floor bay window was the birthplace of Henry George, 19th Century economist whose "single-tax" theories attracted wide notice but little mass popularity. . . . There must have been 50 or more crowded into the tiny livingroom for the dedication ceremonies. . . . Guest of honor was Agnes DeMille, top Broadway choreographer and a granddaughter of George. Her uncle, Hollywood's Cecil B. DeMille, headed the list of a dozen or so donors responsible for preserving the house.

"We Georgists," said Miss DeMille, the last of a half dozen speakers, "are notable for our clarity of mind and for being impervious to repetition." She was obviously stirred by being in the little South Philadelphia home-
stead that gave to the world her philosopher-grandparent. "From a similar small home, just a few blocks away came another distinguished world figure—Marian Anderson," the dancer said.

"I recently saw films of Miss Anderson's wonderful work in Indonesia, where she appeared before enormous audiences. Most important of all was that she brought to those people a feeling of 'belonging,' of being a part of this world."

Just recently Miss DeMille had to make a personal decision. "The Ballet Theater is going to Russia next year," she said. "They wanted to present several of my works—'Rodeo' and 'Fall River Legend.' I felt so strongly about Hungary I didn't care to permit their use.

"I was in Berlin a month ago when the question came up, and I asked a friend in the German Foreign Office about it. We were walking on a street that was bright with new store fronts and buildings, but in the background you could still see the mountains of rubble from the round-the-clock bombings.

"I and others lived through those air raids," my German friend replied. "We just dug deeper into the ground. This is not the answer. We lost because we were wrong. If your work opens new contacts between two peoples—if it can bring to some Russians that sense of belonging—you would be wrong to withhold it."

The Ballet Theater will present the DeMille works.



DE MILLE
... 'belongs'

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George Home Is Dedicated

**Economist Was Born
In S. Phila. in 1839**

A typical three-story brick row house in South Philadelphia was dedicated yesterday to the memory of a man who developed a social philosophy which, many believed, could solve most of the world's economic ills.

The man was Henry George, author, political economist and founder of the single tax theory.

George died in 1897 but his book, "Progress and Poverty," sparked a widely supported political movement and sold more than three million copies.

George was born in the house at 413 S. 10th st. in 1839 and spent the first ten years of his life there. His father, Samuel, a publisher, had rented the building.

The house was in a rundown condition when it was bought by the Henry George Foundation in 1927. It was maintained by the foundation as a source of rental income until it was purchased recently by the Henry George School of Social Sciences.

The school has renovated the house, stocked it with memorabilia of the 19th Century economist and will designate it as a classroom for use by the Philadelphia extension of the school, a New York institution.

Principal speaker at the dedication ceremony yesterday afternoon was Julian P. Hickock,

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Henry George Birthplace Is To Be Shrine

THE birthplace of Henry George, single tax advocate, at 413 S. 10th st., has been purchased by the Henry George School of Social Science, which will restore the property as a national memorial open to the public.

Memorabilia of the 19th century figure will be displayed in the home, a three-story, colonial structure about 200 years old. George was born in the house on September 2, 1839, and spent the first ten years of his life in this city.

Before his death in 1897, the political economist was an internationally known figure. His famous work, Progress and Poverty, sold more than two million copies.

The Henry George School of Social Science will maintain the property. Arnold A. Weinstein, New York City attorney, represented the school in the purchase.

founder of the Philadelphia extension.

Another speaker was Mrs. Agnes George De Mille, a granddaughter of Henry George, and a niece of Cecil B. De Mille, a movie producer.

Acquisition of the George birthplace was made possible by a group of contributors including De Mille and Joseph S. Thompson, president of the Federal Pacific Electric Co. of San Francisco.

The Henry George School maintains free classes in economics in 18 U. S. cities and in England, Canada, Formosa, Australia, New Zealand, Denmark and Spain.

School Opened At George Home

The South Philadelphia birthplace of Henry George, 19th century single-tax economist whose writings sparked a widely-supported political movement, was dedicated yesterday as an extension of the Henry George School of Social Sciences.

Attending the ceremonies, held at the otherwise undistinguished row house at 413 S. 10th st., were Julian P. Hickok, founder of the Philadelphia extension of the school, a New York institution, and Mrs. Agnes De Mille, ballet director and a granddaughter of the economist and niece of Cecil B. De Mille, the movie producer. De Mille and Joseph S. Thompson, president of the Federal Pacific Electric Co., were among contributors who helped refurbish the building.

George was born in the South Philadelphia house in 1839 and lived there for 10 years. His father, a publisher, had rented the building.

It was bought by the Henry George Foundation in 1927 as a source of rental income. Recently it was transferred to the Henry George School.

George is best remembered for his book "Progress and Poverty," which set forth his single-tax theory. It sold more than 3,000,000 copies.

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Henry George Home Becomes Memorial

PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 9 (AP).—The birthplace of economist and author Henry George is to be dedicated here today as an international memorial.

George, who was the author of eight books on economics, including the famed "Progress and Poverty," was born in Philadelphia in 1839. He died in New York in 1897.

Taking part in the ceremony are Agnes de Mille, noted choreographer, and a granddaughter of George, and Robert Clancy, director of the Henry George School of Social Science.

The school, which teaches economics, has branches in 18 U. S. cities, and in England, Australia, New Zealand, Denmark, Spain, Formosa and Canada.



ELLEN WINSOR of 658 Brooke Rd., Wayne, had her name inscribed on bronze plaque above bust of economist Henry George in recognition of her efforts to preserve Philadelphia birthplace of the famous author.

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Henry George Memorial

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Henry George Shrine Dedicated Saturday

The Philadelphia birthplace of world-famous economist and author Henry George was dedicated last Saturday as an international memorial.

The afternoon ceremonies took place at 413 S. 10th st. in the 150-year-old building where George was born in 1839.

Participating were choreographer Agnes De Mille, a granddaughter of Henry George, and Robert Clancy, international director of the Henry George School of Social Science. The Henry George School, which teaches economics, has branches in 18 American cities and in England, Australia, New Zealand, Denmark, Spain, Formosa, and Canada.

George authored eight books on economics. His famous "Progress and Poverty" has been translated into almost every foreign language and about 3,000,000 copies have been sold.