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The day is coming when you will not rent the land (the gift of God) to tenants annually for billions of dollars and then exchange the ill gotten billions of land rent for the labor products of the workers, thereby producing a world of Masters and Slaves in which the workers produce all wealth but do not possess it while Landlords possess great wealth that they do not produce. The Commandment "Thou Shalt Not Steal" means the land rent of a community as well as the private property of an individual. (The land rent now collected by Landlords from tenants in New York City amounts to \$600,000,000.00 annually.) For that tremendous sum of Land rent taken from the wages and salaries of tenants, landlords do not provide one square inch of Land.

Norman Thomas during his campaign for Mayor said "New York City's trouble is Landlordism" and he advocates the "Recovery of Land values by taxation for society which creates them so that Landlords cannot forever collect billions of land rent from tenants and thereby block the road to economic freedom".

One of the most important questions is Shall Landlords be compensated when the entire rent of Land is collected by the Government for all public needs? The question of compensation for slave holders came up before the Civil War and the answer was "No Compensation." When the tenants in New York City realize that they are paying Landlords \$600,000,000.00 Land rent annually for nothing (Landlords do not provide Land) they will adopt the doctrine of Henry George as expounded in his immortal book "Progress and Poverty," in which he says **Collect the entire rent of Land for public needs and abolish taxation and by so doing bring economic freedom to all and make the United States a taxfree nation.**