



Public Service

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Public Service, Mason Gaffney, 1/76 to 10/98

(Includes extramural public lectures, some of which also resulted in publications that are so listed elsewhere.)

1976, Jan. through April, Economic Adviser to Hon. Robert Williams, Minister of Lands and Forests, Government of British Columbia. Through Williams I also advised The Minister of Mines and Minerals, The Minister of Urban Affairs, The Environment and Land Use Committee, The Premier, and others.

1976 through 1980 "Comment on Papers and Proposals." In most volumes of the TRED series of the University of Wisconsin Press, 1967-80, there are many pages of edited transcripts of recorded scholarly dialogue which I often led. Comments are attributed by name.

1976 to 1977 Consultant, State of Alaska, Department of Natural Resources, and various committees of State Legislature, re oil and gas leasing policy

1976, Jan. through April, Commissioner, Royal Commission on Property Tax Revision in British Columbia. (The Commission allocated to me a \$40,000 budget to organize data on the property tax base, which I did, bringing a copy with me to Riverside.)

1976 to 1998 Referee for AER, NTJ, Land Economics, AJES, Contemporary Policy Issues, etc.

1977 "Effects of SCA 12 (Rodda)." Testimony, Committee on Revenue and Taxation, California State Senate, February 1977.

1977 Consultant, Association of Bay Area Governments

1977 through 1988 Owned and managed small fruit-growing business (I include this because of the incidental business experience it gave me, and experience with economics of water supply, and association with UCR personnel in NAGS and Extension, and entree into public service in City affairs, as listed below, passim.)

1977 "Foreign Investment in U.S. Real Estate." Dialogue and Seminar, St. Louis, sponsored by Chicago Title Insurance Co., Summer 1977

1977 "Greater Social Benefits from our National Forests." Address to Western Timber Association, San Francisco, March 4, 1977

1977 to 1978 Consultant for Western Timber Association, and expert witness before U.S. House Committee on Public Lands (Cong. James Weaver)

1977 "Diseconomies Inherent in our Present Water Law." Kick-off Testimony, California Governor's Commission on Water Rights Law Reform, Sacramento, July 14, 1977. Testimony and discussion recorded in Harrison Dunning, Staff Director, "Minutes of First Regular Meeting," Sacramento, July 14, 1977, pp. 1-17.

At this time I also spoke in Davis to an extension-sponsored meeting on water law reform, organized by Herbert Snyder.

1978 The New Scarcities: Water, Energy and Open Space. Southern California Research Council Project #25. Pomona, 1979. My contribution was the keynote paper given at the kickoff banquet, Los Angeles, 1978.

1978 "The Case Against Proposition 13." During the 1978 campaign I was the designated spokesman for the negative in this region, and spoke at several public debates on the topic. Like all political issues, this one aroused passions on both sides, but I tried to keep my contributions professional and objective.

1978 Moderator, Symposium on Economic Impact Analysis. Legislative Affairs Agency, State of Alaska, October 19-22, 1978.

1978 With John Shannon, "Property Tax Relief", a Symposium before the National Council of State Legislatures, Denver, 7 July 78.

1978 "An Overview of Forest Taxation." A paper given at the Forest Taxation Symposium sponsored by U.S. Forest Service, Virginia Polytechnical Institute School of Forestry, and The Society of American Foresters, Blacksburg, VA, 1978

1978 "The Spectre of Proposition 13: Preventive Measures." Paper read at Conference on The Taxpayer's Revolt, sponsored by National Conference of State Legislatures and the Minnesota State Legislature, St. Paul, August 3-4, 1978

1978 "Tax Limitation and its Alternatives," a paper presented and seminar conducted at a meeting of the Center for the Study of Democratic Institutions, Sta. Barbara, August 1978

1978 "Taxes, Capital and Jobs." Invited Paper given at NTA, special meeting, Chicago, August 1978. (Lecture notes now used as classroom notes in macro-economics.)

1979 "Leasing Policy for Oil and Gas, and the Beaufort Sea Lease Sales." Testimony with cross-examination, State of Alaska, House of Representatives, Joint Hearings of Committees on Resources and Finance, March 31, 1979.

1979 Organizer and Chair, Session on "The Centennial of Progress and Poverty." 1979 Annual Meetings of AEA, Atlanta, 1979. This produced several publishable papers, placed in AJES, 1980-ff. Speakers included Kenneth Boulding, Arthur Laffer, Jr., Warren Samuels, and some younger economists.

1979, Consultant, Joint Committee on Finance and Taxation, Florida State Legislature

1979 Co-author and original signatory of record, City of Riverside, CA, Proposition R, 1979, "Taxpayers' Initiative Ordinance to Reduce Costly Urban Sprawl." Carried 2-1. Upheld at two levels, California Appellate Courts.

1980 "Alternative Ways of Taxing Forests." A paper given at a conference on State Taxation of Forest and Land Resources. Cambridge: Lincoln Institute of Land Policy, 1980

1980 Member, City of Riverside Advisory Committee on the Detailed Implementation of Measure R

1980 "Economics of Hydrogen." Presentation at The Rand Corporation, Sta. Monica CA, 12 June 1980, joint seminar with a Rand task force and the Clean Fuel Institute.

1980 With Professor Richard Lindholm, Founder of Western Tax Association (publisher of Western Tax Review, annual)

1980 "Taxation and Urban Sprawl." Testimony and dialogue with Congressman Henry Reuss, in Compact Cities: a Neglected Way of Conserving Energy. Joint Hearings, Committee on Banking, Finance and Urban Affairs; and Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce, U.S. House of Representatives, 96th Congress 1st Session. Washington: USGPO, 1980

1980 Consultant, Roy Littlejohn Associates, Washington D.C., on OCS leasing policy

1980 through 1982, Member of City of Riverside Energy Conservation Commission

1980 "Leasing Policy for Public Lands Bearing Oil and Gas." Seminar, University of Iowa School of Planning, 3 December 1980

1980 "Thorstein Veblen on Absentee Ownership and Scattered Settlement." Seminar, University of Iowa, Graduate School of Planning, 2 December 1980.

1981 "Effects of Severance Taxation on Industrial Efficiency and State Revenues." Invited Testimony, California State Assembly Committee on Revenue and Taxation, Hearings on Oil Severance Taxation and AB 1597, Los Angeles, 15 October 1981

1981 "Marine Resources of Oil and Gas." A paper given at Brown-Crutchfield Sea-Grant conference on Economics of Ocean Resources, 1981, sponsored by Univ. of Washington

1981 "Analysis of SSHB 200" (a tax bill providing for a backstop tax on oil reserves in Alaska). Testimony, accompanied by Report, to Joint Gas Pipeline Committee, Alaska State Legislature, June 1981

1982 "Supply-side Economics." Paper given at seminar held for the purpose by and at The Center for the Study of Democratic Institutions, Sta. Barbara, January 1982.

1982 "Oil and Gas: the Unfinished Tax Reform." Paper given at 20th Annual Conference of TRED, The Committee on Taxation, Resources and Economic Development, Cambridge, 1982

1982 "Land, Taxation and Full Employment." Paper given at Conference on Tax Reform, sponsored by The Engineering Foundation and The Center for Public Dialogue (of Washington D.C.). Conference held at Franklin Pierce College, N.H., July 1982.

1982 "The Case against the Peripheral Canal Proposal." During the 1982 campaign I was the designated spokesman for the negative in this region, and spoke at several public debates on the topic, including two at UCR. (Those favoring the proposal saw this as a public disservice, but if one believes in academic and political freedom, the side one takes in debates should not be a consideration. I believe I kept my remarks at a high level, and kept the public interest uppermost.)

1982 "Taxation and Appropriate Technology." Paper presented at UC Conference on Appropriate Technology, sponsored by UC Committee on Appropriate Technology, UC Sta. Barbara, May, 1982.

1982 "Harry Gunnison Brown as an Old Master." 2nd Annual University Lecture in honor of Harry Gunnison Brown, University of Missouri, Columbia, April 1982.

1982 through 1986, Commissioner, City of Riverside Board of Public Utilities. 1985-86, Chair of Electric Committee.

Among other duties, this public service required me to investigate and evaluate the City's investment in the San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station (SONGS). My research led me to recommend that the City dispose of its interest while it still could. That made my tenure embarrassing to the champions of SONGS, and therefore "controversial." This in turn led to severe criticism, personal attacks, and sanctions from several sources, including some at UCR. Time, however, has proven that my economic analysis was correct, and it is universally acknowledged today that San Onofre is our costliest source of electric power and a white elephant in our portfolio.

1983 "Pseudo-Socialism: Oil and Gas Leasing of Federal Lands on the Outer Continental Shelf." Paper given at Annual Conference, Western Tax Association, Long Beach, 1983.

1983 "Social Problems: A Centennial Appraisal." Paper given at 1983 Annual Meetings, The Henry George Schools of Social Science, Sta. Barbara, June 1983.

1984 "Recent Changes in Canadian Fiscal Federalism," Paper presented at Annual Conference, Western Tax Association, Las Vegas, 1984.

1985 "Local Tax Revenues after Prop. 13." Paper presented to Symposium on State and Local Tax Revenues, The Center for Public Economics, San Diego State University, Feb. 2 1985.

1985 "Land Gains, Fast Write-off, and Incentives to Build." Paper presented to 23d Annual Conference, Committee on Taxation, Resources and Economic Development, Cambridge, Sept. 1985. Pp. 1-22.

1985 "Land Reform in Catholic Economic Policy." Address to and seminar with Franciscan Friars, Mission Sta. Barbara, January 1985. Follow-up letter in response to questions, pp. 1-9.

1985 "Justice in Land Distribution." Testimony, Papal Commission on Pax et Iustitia, The Vatican, April 1985.

1985 "Megabucks for Negabucks: turning Treasury Leaks into Treasury Sources." Seminar led at Conference on Economics and Ecology, The Foundation for Basic Economic Education, San Diego, 20 April 1985.

1985 "Local Tax Revenues after Prop. 13." Paper presented to Symposium on State and Local Tax Revenues, The Center for Public Economics, San Diego State University, Feb. 2 1985.

1985- Board Member, Riversiders for Reasonable Growth, a civic organization. Vice-president, 1988-90

1985- Director, Common Ground, a national civic and political organization

1986 to 1987 President of Friends of Riverside, Inc., a civic group; Co-Founder, 1978; Board Member, 1978-87 (I resigned in 1987 to free my hands to work with Riversiders for Reasonable Growth, a more pro-active organization.)

1986 "Evolution of the Income Tax, Past and Future." Paper presented to Conference on Deficit Reduction, Center for Public Economics, San Diego State University, Sept. 1986.

1987 With Dr. Philip Vincent, Senior Economist, 1st Interstate Bank of California, two day-long classes on *The Economics of Henry George with 108 Years of Hindsight*. May 2 and May 9, 1987. Sponsored by Los Angeles Chapter, Common Ground, Malibu, CA. Text: 20 teaching quizzes by Mason Gaffney, pp. 1-67,

1987 Co-chair, with Professor Daniel Holland, of 1987 Annual Conference of TRED, on "Efficiency of the Land Market." Produced pilot paper, "Land as a Distinctive Factor of Production," pp. 1-23. (Paper was later published, 1994.)

1987 "Non-point Pollution: Tractable Solutions to Intractable Problems." A paper given at Marquette University Conference on "Social and Economic Approaches to the Control of Non-point Pollution," chaired by Professor Vladimir Novotny, 1987

1987 "The Philippines: Land Reform through Tax Reform." Lecture at "Conference on Land Reform and Development in the Philippines," World Affairs Council, San Francisco, 20 Oct 87. (I also gave several talks around this time in the Los Angeles area, sponsored by the Henry George School of Los Angeles, and became friendly with leaders of the Philippine-American community, including Cardinal Jaime Sin.)

1987 Candidate for City Council, City of Riverside. This gave an opportunity to speak often in support of Measure C, which was my main reason for running.

1987 "International Allocation of Boundary Waters: U.S. vs. Mexico." A paper given at annual meetings, AAAS, Pacific Coast Division, San Diego, June 1987

1987 Co-author of City of Riverside, CA, Measure C, 1987, "Citizens' Rights Initiative to Reduce Costly Urban Sprawl." Carried.

This involved several public talks and debates before civic and campus groups.

Upheld at two levels, California Appellate Courts.

1987 through 1991 Chair, Committee on Taxation, Resources and Economic Development (TRED). (I am the sole survivor of several founders, from its origin in 1962.)

1987 "Alfred Russel Wallace, a Darwinian against Social Darwinism." Paper given at annual meeting of AAAS, Pacific Coast Division, San Diego, June 1987

1988 "The Role of Ground Rent in Urban Decay and Revival." The Annual Henry George Lecture, St. Johns' University, September 1988. (This is an annual lecture, over many years. Lecturers have included James Buchanan, Gary Becker, William Vickrey, Mancur Olson, Dick Netzer, Lawrence Klein, Leland Yeager, and others. It is now planned by St. Johns, in cooperation with the Robert Schalkenbach Foundation, to publish all the lectures in one volume.)

1988 "Florida Urban Sprawl and its Abatement," pp. 1-20. Report submitted to Governor Martinez' Task Force on Urban Growth Patterns, July 1988. Report presented orally to the Task Force.

1988 "Observed vs. A Priori Behavior in Land Markets." Paper given at 4th Annual Conference on Behavioral Economics, San Diego, June, 1988.

1988 "Taxation of Yield, Property, Income and Site." A paper given at a conference on Real Property and Land as Tax Base for Development, Taoyuan, Taiwan, The Land Reform Training Institute, Nov. 17, 1988.

1988- I was elected a Director, Robert Schalkenbach Foundation, New York, and re-elected, 1998 (we have gone to rotating 3-year terms).

1997-date, member of Publications Committee and Appropriations Committee and Nominations Committee

1998-, Chair of Publications Committee

1988 "Rent-seeking and Global Conflict." Paper presented to UC Seminar on Global Conflict and Cooperation, Laguna Beach, Feb. 1988, pp. 1-6 (Julius Margolis, Chair).

1988. "Measure C and Property Values." Address to AMERICAN SOCIETY OF APPRAISERS, Inland Empire Chapter, meeting in San Bernardino, 18 Feb 88, pp.1-3.

1989 "Land Gains, Taxation, and Domestic Capital Formation." Paper presented to Western Economics Association, Lake Tahoe, June 1989, at a session that I organized and chaired.

1989 "Effect of Proposed Emission Controls on Jobs and Growth." Lecture on an analysis of two Reports to SCAQMD, given at a public meeting in the City of Industry, July 31, 1989

1989 "Whose Water? Ours" Lecture given at public meeting on "Whose Water?" sponsored by the Environmental Education Department (Polly Dyer, Director), University of Washington Extension Division, Seattle

1989 to 1991 Member and Chair, Citizens' Budget Advisory Committee, advisory to City Council, City of Riverside, 1989-91. As Chair of CBAC I drafted the Annual Report, steered it through the Committee, rewrote it for Committee approval, presented it to City Council, defended it, and saw The Council adopt its most important fiscal recommendations.

1990 "Dissipating Land Rent." A paper presented at annual Meetings, Western Economics Association, San Diego, July 2, 1990.

1990 Consulting, Stanley Hoffman Associates, re producing an economic Manual for the South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD), to standardize methods of defining costs per unit of pollution control. April-June, 1990. Several reports of professional quality were produced, and results presented to officials of SCAQMD

1990 "Earth Day, Economics and the Scriptures." Address to Homebuilders Group, The Crystal Cathedral, Garden Grove, April,

1990. (Recorded and transcribed by the Church, and distributed to its members.)

1990 "Revenue Potential of Taxes on Coal." An address given at Conference, "Prospects for Appalachia," Charleston, WV, December 1990.

1990 "Land Gains and Taxation." Paper presented at 13th Annual Conference, Western Tax Association, San Diego, June 29, 1990. Pp. 1-15 + abstract.

1990 "Privatizing Land without Giveaway." A paper given at Conference on Social Collection of Rent in the Soviet Union, at The University Club, New York, August 1990

1991 Report to The City Council, Moreno Valley, CA, 30 August 1991, critiquing the Fiscal Impact Analysis of September, 1990, by Roger M. Rostvold, Consultant. (Rostvold's Analysis is bound in the Technical Appendix to Draft EIR, Specific Plan #212-1, June, 1991.) My Report was done at the request of Jane (Mrs. Richard) Block of Riverside, and some Moreno Valley residents. It concerns the impact of a development proposed at the east end of Moreno Valley.

1991 "Peace Dividends, Land Bubbles, and Economic Disasters," 1991. Paper given at Biennial Meetings, International Union, Kings College, London, March 1991

1991 "Rent, Interest, Tax Rates, and Land Prices." A paper presented at The 19th Biennial World Conference, International Union, Session on "Fiscal Policy and the Theory of Rent," Kings College, London, 23 March 91, pp. 1-11 + Appendices.

1991 "Neo-classical Economics as a Reaction to Henry George." Invited paper, "1st Lafayette Conference on Henry George," Chaired by Jerome F. Heavey, sponsored by John H. Allen Foundation, Lafayette College, June 1991

1991 "Who Owns the Water?" A paper given at Annual Meeting, Western Economics Assn., July 1, Seattle

1991 "Who Owns the Water?" A lecture given at meeting of Common Ground, a civic organization, San Francisco, September 15

1992 Honored for Distinguished Service, at 30th Annual Meeting of The Committee on Taxation, Resources, and Economic Development (TRED), Harvard Faculty Club, October 2. (TRED members in 1992

included Professors James Follain, Patric Hendershott, Oliver Oldman, William Wheaton, Wm. Vickrey, Lowell Harriss, Dick Netzer, Ben Chinitz, George Break, Charles McLure, Anita Summers, William Oakland, Wallace Oates, John Quigley, Helen Ladd, Roy Bahl, Richard Bird, Peter Mieszkowski, Ed Mills, and Michelle White. Deceased and retired members include Daniel Holland, Harold Groves, Arthur Lynn, Jr., Arthur Becker, Paul Gaston, Paul Alyea, Karl Falk, Carl McGuire, and Pinkney Walker.)

1992 Seminar on water marketing and conservation, conducted for staff of Strategic Planning Section, Crown Corporations Secretariat, Province of B.C., Vancouver, August, 1992

1992 "Equity Premises and the Case for Taxing Rent," A paper given at the 104th Annual Meeting, AEA, January, 1992

1992 Organizer, Chair and Discussant, Session on "Federal Tax Policy for the 1990s," Annual Meetings, American Economic Association, New Orleans, January 1992. (William Vickrey, Alan Auerbach, and Joseph Minarik gave papers; Emil Sunley, Joseph Stiglitz and I were discussants.) Papers by Vickrey, Auerbach, and Minarik published in Annual Papers and Proceedings, pp. 257-73.

1992 Invited paper, "Land Reform through Fiscal Policy," at conference, A LAND TAX FOR THE NEW SOUTH AFRICA, 20 March 1992, presented by The Centre for Human Rights Studies, Faculty of Law, *Universiteit van Pretoria*

1992 23 March, I spoke in Cape Town on the advantages of exempting buildings from the property tax, at a meeting sponsored by the School of Economic Science. The audience included Mayor Frank Van der Velde, City Manager Neville Riley, and several members of the Cape Town City Council.

1992 24 March, I was invited to testify before the Cape Town City Council. A few months later the Council acted on my recommendations (for whatever complex of reasons) and began a slow transition to modify their property tax so as to exempt buildings, and raise the rate on land, emulating Johannesburg.

1993 "The Bitter Harvest of Neoclassical Economics." Annual Walsh Memorial Lecture, Macquarie University, Sydney, Australia, September 20, 1993.

1993, January. Series of seminars and lectures in St. Petersburg, sponsored by Ekograd (Tamara Chistyakova, President)

1993 I organized and chaired a conference on *Tax Incentives, Capital Formation, Capital Conservation, and Capital Allocation*, August, 1993. It was sponsored and hosted by The American Institute for Economic Research, Great Barrington MA. Among the speakers were Richard Musgrave, William Vickrey, George Gilder, and Karl Case.

1993 "Full Employment through Total Tax Reform." Keynote Address, Biennial Meeting, International Union, sponsored by Tax Reform Australia, Melbourne, at Ormond College, University of Melbourne, 27 September, 1993

1993 Annual Leadership Award, Council of Georgist Organizations, presented at 13th Annual Conference, Los Angeles, 24 July

1993 Organizer and Program Chair, *Think Big to Heal America*, 13th Annual Conference, Council of Georgist Organizations, Los Angeles, July 20-27, 1993. There were 200 attendees, and some 30 speakers. I also spoke on four topics.

1993 "The Taxable Capacity of Land," 1993. A lecture given at Conference on Land Value Taxation, sponsored by The Government Law Center of Albany Law School, The Senate Environmental Conservation Committee, and the New York State Division of Equalization and Assessment. Albany: The Government Law Center. There is a Proceedings, with court-reported discussion, published by the Government Law Center of Albany Law School.

1994 I organized and chaired a conference on *Land Speculation and the Banking Collapse*, October 20-22, 1994. It was sponsored and hosted by the American Institute for Economic Research, Great Barrington, MA. Among the attendees were Hyman Minsky, Lowell Harriss and Alexander Field. I wrote the following Pilot Papers: "Money, Credit and Crisis," pp. 1-23; "A Cycle of Boom and Bust: The U.S.A., 1820-42.," pp. 1-14; "A Cycle of Boom and Bust: Chicago, 1830-40 (exegesis on narrative of Homer Hoyt), pp. 1-13; "Limits on Bank Expansion, Regulatory and Non-regulatory," pp. 1-16; "Macroeconomic Chokes," pp. 1-25.

1994 "An Economic Look at Land Use Planning: the Environmental Perspective," 1994. Lecture presented at "Land Use: an Interactive Symposium." Sponsored by UC Division of Agriculture and Natural Resources; Urban and Environmental Outreach Program; UCR Foundation; U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management. Dr. Karen P. Varcoe, Coordinator.

1994 "Economics in Support of Environmentalism." A paper presented at *Community Stewardship of Environmental Resources*, a program sponsored by The Community Regional and Environmental Studies Program (CRES), Bard College, Annandale-on-Hudson, NY, 24 October 1994. Prof. Kris Feder, Chair. Also read in my absence at the Annual Meeting, Congress of Political Economists, Seoul, Korea, January 6, 1995, by Professor Joseph Horton. Also issued as a Working Paper, Lincoln Institute of Land Policy, Cambridge, MA.

1994, October 24-25, Workshop on "Collecting Public Revenue from Natural Resources and Environmental Use in Russia and the U.S." at the Jerome Levy Institute, Annandale-on-Hudson, NY; Dimitri A. Papadimitriou, Chair. I gave two papers: "Reconciling Socialism and Capitalism," and "Identifying and Taxing Rents from Exhaustible Natural Resources." I also served as Rapporteur, summing up the Workshop.

1994 Consultant to Dr. Dmitry S. Lvov, Central Economics and Mathematics Institute of the Russian Academy of Sciences, on privatization and tax policy in Russia. (We conferred at Oxford for two days, accompanied by Dr. John Muellbauer, a translator, and three others.)

1994 Named Faculty Associate, Lincoln Institute of Land Policy, Cambridge, MA

1994 Consultant to Ken Hechler, Secretary of State, State of West Virginia, on natural resource taxation policy (coal and timber)

1994, October, Co-founded new professional association, to be run mainly by and for younger economists, tentatively called "The Geo-Economics Association." Hosted business meeting at Great Barrington. Our first meeting evolved into the Conference on Land, Wealth, and Poverty, chaired by our member Kris Feder, at The Jerome Levy Institute, Annandale-on-Hudson, NY, 1995. The next meeting is planned at Lafayette University, to be chaired by Jerome Heavey, with another at NYU, to be chaired by myself.

1995, Nov. 3, gave paper on "Property Tax Reform in the Big Picture" at the Conference on Land, Wealth, and Poverty, The Jerome Levy Institute, Annandale-on-Hudson, NY.

1995, Nov. 11, Lecture on "Tax Policy and Urban Sprawl" to public meeting arranged by Board of Supervisors, Mendocino County, at Ukiah, with radio broadcast and call-in questions. I produced

some incidental data on undertaxation of timber, and timberland, which surprised me and everyone by capturing all the attention, so it turned into a meeting on timber taxation.

1996. "Land Rent in a Tax-free Society." Lecture given at Moscow, May 21, before Conference on "Problems of Modern Land Relations in Russia," organized by The Duma, within discussions about The Land Code. Meeting chaired by Vyacheslav Zvolinsky, Deputy Chairman, Natural Resources and Use of Nature Committee.

1996 March 15, "The Unseemly Provenance of Neo-classical Economics." Lecture and seminar, Department of Resource and Agricultural Economics, Giannini Hall, University of California, Berkeley

1996, July "A Simple Test for Tax Bias." A paper given at meetings of the Western Economics Assn., San Francisco.

1997, January "The Neo-classical Stratagem," A paper given at annual meetings, Congress of Political Economists, ASSA, San Francisco

1997 "Henry George, Dr. Edward McGlynn, and Pope Leo XIII." A paper given before International Conference on Henry George, November 1, 1997, at Cooper Union, New York, Professor Edward O'Donnell, Chair, pp.1-25. (Prof. O'Donnell is submitting the assembled papers to a university press.)

1998 "Red-light and Green-light Taxes." A paper given at an International Conference, 14 May 98, Sharing our Common Heritage: Resource Taxes and Green Dividends, chaired by David Marquand. Sponsor: Oxford Centre for the Environment, Ethics and Society (OCEES), Mansfield College, Oxford University

1998 "Geofiscalism vs. Futility." A paper given at a meeting sponsored by the Land Policy Council. London: The Grosvenor Hotel, May 17, 1998, pp.1-5. Scheduled for publication in Groundswell, October 1998.

1998 "Adequacy of Land as a Tax Base." Address to the School of Economic Science, London, at a banquet they held in my honor at The Reform Club, Pall Mall, 18 May 1998.

1998 "Factor 4, Appropriate Technology, and Tax Pressures." An address before meeting of TOES (The Other Economic Summit), Birmingham, England, 15 May 1998.

1998, July 30-August 1, two papers given at Annual Meeting, Council of Georgist Organizations, Portland OR.

- a. "The Collateral Damage of Wrongheaded Subsidies."
- b. "Portland's Urban Growth Boundary: Half a Solution to Sprawl."

1998 Appointed a Member, Board of Trustees, The American J. of Economics and Sociology

1998 "Taxation of Mobile Capital in a Global Free Market -- Opportunities and Threats for Low Tax Countries"

A Lecture, 2 Sept 98, at a special meeting of the international Society of Trust and Estate Practitioners (STEP) at The Grand Cayman Marriott Hotel, Grand Cayman

Also scheduled for banquet address, 10th Annual International Trust and Tax Planning Conference, Hilton Towers, New York, October 21, 1998

Also scheduled for keynote address, 2nd West Coast Convention, Offshore Investment, Phoenix: The Biltmore Hotel, October 28, 1998

1998 to 1999 As of October 2, 1998, have secured financing for a Conference, "Land Cycles and Economic Crises," to be held at NYU, June, 1999. Sponsored by the Lincoln Inst. of Land Policy in conjunction with NYU (the Wagner School), and the New York Henry George School of Social Science. I am chair of the conference, sharing some of the duties with Dick Netzer, and will edit the resulting papers. The subject is so timely, I anticipate no difficulty finding a publisher, although I have also secured supplemental financing (\$10,000) to enable that, if need be.

Six page conference outline is available for review, along with pilot paper, "Causes of Downturn."

1988 "Ground rent: its meaning, and its role in making cities work." Invited lecture, Bard College, Department of Economics, October 22

1988 "Tax magnets vs. tax repellants." Invited lecture, Bard College, Department of Economics, October 22