Land Monopoly 1017

Mr. Burstecher presented the following memorial, signed by several hundred citizens of San Fran. in regard to land monopoly and equal taxation.

To the Constitutional Convention:

Your memorialists, believing that the monopoly of land is a denial of natural right which should not be tolerated in a republican state; believing that it inevitably produces an undue concentration of wealth on the one side and distress and pauperism on the other; that it is mainly responsible for the hard times, low wages and business depression that now prevail in California; that its abolition would give new life and vigor to every branch of trade and industry, and would cause an unprecedented increase in population, in wealth and in everything which constitutes real prosperity, respectfully recommend to and urge upon your honorable body that in framing a new Constitution to be submitted to the people no provision shall be included which shall in any way forbid or hamper the abolition of this monstrous injustice.

Conscious of the differences of opinion that exist, your memorialists do not ask that your honorable body shall pass upon the best method of getting rid of the evils of land monopoly, nor even that any effort to that end shall be enjoined, but simply that no obstacle shall be interposed between the will of the people and the carrying out of any plan of taxation which for this purpose the people may hereafter decide to adopt. They, therefore, ask that instead of prohibiting discrimination by requiring the equal taxation of all property—the new Constitution shall leave the matter of taxation to the discretion of the law making power, simply providing that all laws imposing taxation shall have uniform operation, and that whatever exemptions may be made, or whatever cumulative rates or increasing probate duties may be imposed, shall apply equally to all individuals under the same conditions.

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