

OFFICERS RETIRE

Pleading the press of business commitments that make heavy demands on their time, Glenn Weeks and Dean Meridith have resigned as president and vice president, respectively, of the Henry George School. Their action was accepted by the Board of Trustees at its regular meeting in December.

The School's spring program is under the guidance of the director of the High School Program, Stan Rubenstein. In addition to nightly classes in "Progress and Poverty," there will be several supplementary courses, among them "Money and Banking" offered by Oscar Johannsen and "The City, The Region and The Future" by Philip Finkelstein.

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GEORGE'S GRAVE VANDALIZED BY RICHARD PENSACK

The large stone marking the site where Henry George's body was laid to rest almost 79 years ago has been stripped of much of its metalwork, including its main adornment--a plaque bearing a quotation from "Progress and Poverty."

Ornamentation has been removed from both the front and back of the monument, although the bronze bust of George, crafted by his second son, is still in place.

The missing metal, which had been bolted to the stone, was probably solid bronze and most likely was stolen for its commodity value. Bronze borderwork was left intact on one surface of the stone, while about half the border was removed from the other side, indicating the thieves may have stopped simply because they could not carry any more of the heavy loot.

A smaller plaque was pried from the gravestone of George's first daughter, Jennie, leaving her marker devoid of identification. Hers was the only one

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SCHOOL'S RESEARCH EFFORTS GAIN PUBLICITY AND WIDE ACCEPTANCE

The School's research efforts have brought unaccustomed recognition to the institution and are improving its credibility among people of influence.

The Center for Local Tax Research's second report on "Effective Property Tax Rates in the Metropolitan Area of New York" has been the subject of over two dozen stories in local media, including a news story, a column and an editorial in The New York Times: radio reports on five stations--among them NBC--and features in magazines ranging from "New York Magazine" to "Real Estate Weekly."

In addition, requests for copies of the report were received from 150 public officials and agencies, 20 attorneys, 100 business organizations and banks (among them some Fortune-500 companies), and 50 schools, libraries and research outfits.

The Times editorial made reference to New York Mayor Beame's desire to cut taxes as a questionably attainable

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