

# *The Henry George School in the News*

**ROYAL OAK (Mich.)** offers a quick, easy way to develop understanding of urban problems—enroll in one of five evening classes currently being offered at four high schools and the Grosse Pointe Library. Interest will be heightened by discussions of property taxation.

**NEW JERSEY** will inaugurate basic classes on Friday evenings at the Iselin Public Library in Woodbridge, and Wednesday evenings at the Summit YMCA, beginning March 4. A ten-week fundamental course now in progress at the East Orange headquarters is being taught by Oscar Johannsen. When it is completed its graduates will combine with those from a former class and continue a ten-week study of Science of Political Economy.

**LONG ISLAND** has completed the first fifteen-week Economics course for in-service credit open to teachers of public schools. It was accepted by one school which notified teachers of its availability and advised that it could be used toward the teacher's salary increment. All who enrolled completed the course.

Material for the text was drawn from the HGS basic course. Several lessons were added and a few were expanded — current reports were included and use was made of HGS reprints. Directors of other extensions may find this a worth while endeavor since it exposes teachers to our philos-

ophy and enables them to see the type of material available to students in our classes.

**NEW YORK** is starting the winter term with advanced and basic courses extending to 15 weeks instead of 10. Three advanced courses begin the week of February 2: History of Economic Thought I, Interpretation of Current Events, and Monetary Theory. Fundamental Economic Problems may be studied at any one of ten classes from Monday to Friday inclusive, beginning the week of February 9. These will also continue for 15 weeks.

History of Economic Thought I is the first part of a two-term course. It has been approved for the Professional Development Program of the New York City Board of Education. Teachers who successfully complete this course will receive credit toward their professional advance. The instructor, Dr. Jack Schwartzman, is Associate Professor of English Literature and Philosophy in Nassau Community College, Garden City, New York. He has been connected with the HGS in New York since 1938 and has taught in all three Henry George Schools starting with the original one on 79th Street.

Only three classes remain which are 10 weeks in length. Beginning the week of February 2 are Tuesday and Thursday classes in Applied Economics, for students who have completed the basic course.

Newsday, a popular Long Island newspaper, reprinted an article from the Long Island Georgist, the extension bulletin issued by Stan Rubenstein, HGS director. "Foiling Land Speculators" dealt with downzoning of property to commercial use. The Georgist position is that "one way to discourage speculation and possible bribery and collusion would be to pass a law that all new values created by a town board's grant to downzone be collected."

The two-column article was featured in the center-spread of the paper and credit was given to the Henry George School.