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Otto Karl Dorn, Economist, Dies at 83; Trustee of the Henry George School

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BRONXVILLE, N. Y., Dec. 28—Otto Karl Dorn of 949 Palmer Road, a trustee of the Henry George School for Social Science, died Friday at Lawrence Hospital. His age was 83.

Mr. Dorn retired in 1943 as president of the Ground Gripper chain of retail shoe stores. He became president of the shoe chain in 1920, when he settled in New York. Previously he had been head of the Dorn Shoe Company in Cleveland.

At his death, Mr. Dorn was president of the American Journal of Economics and Sociology. He had held the post on the quarterly since 1941. He was a

former member of the Cleveland Board of Education.

In 1896, Mr. Dorn became interested in the Henry George movement, which advocates a single tax. He was president of the George School, at 50 East Sixty-ninth Street, New York, from 1947 to 1956. He was a former president and director of the Robert Schalkenbach Foundation, set up under the will of a printer to provide funds for the publication of the works of Henry George and research into his theories.

Surviving Mr. Dorn are his widow, Amanda; a son, Paul; a grandchild; and a great-grandchild.

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