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NEWS

Greene's visit stimulates Dominican interest

A memorable experience in the Dominican Republic was reported by Lancaster M. Greene as a part of his winter vacation. A trustee and vice president of the School, Mr. Greene had a full round of activities arranged by Lucy De Silfa, head of the local school.

After distributing certificates to the members of the Dominican Association of Secretaries at a cocktail party, Mr. Greene met with the board of directors of the school in Santo Domingo. The following evening he met the ministers of foreign affairs and education, Victor Gomex Berges and Leonardo Matos Berrido; later he appeared on a local television talk show. He had earlier held a news conference for the local press. On these occasions, Mrs. De Silfa acted as translator.

Later in the week, he lectured at the National Library. Mr. Greene's talk on "The History of Inflationary Crises" drew heavily on the experience of Denmark's Justice Party in reducing the inflation rate there from 5% to 1% in a years time and cutting unemployment from 10% to 3% in the same period by introducing land value taxation. (NEWS Sept.-Oct. '74)

All the newspapers, with the notable exception of El Caribe — a big landowner publication — carried long stories, quoting Mr. Greene's remarks at length. El Caribe contented itself with reporting his appearance, carefully avoiding his subject matter and opinions. Mrs. De Silfa, however, reports a big jump in class registration and attendance as a consequence of Mr. Greene's activities.

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