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Workshop tackles city's problems

The high school program will hold its fifth annual urban workshop on December 4 with a banker and a politician each presenting a view of New York City's fiscal problem. As in the past, the morning will be devoted to simulations and after lunch high school students and their teachers will participate in a seminar with the guest speakers.

Returning to the School for a second appearance will be George Roniger, senior economist of the First National City Bank of New York. Representing the political view will be Robert F. Wagner, Jr., the son of a former mayor of New York and a member of the City Council. His topic will be "The City's Crisis Viewed from City Hall."

Previous workshops have had upwards of 75 participants, including students and

their teachers as well as interested observers from high schools. Simulations are based on the games New Town and Community Land Use Game (CLUG).

Each of six or seven groups participates in a simulation exercise under the guidance of a high school student who has been trained at the School by Stan Rubenstein and Ted Ehrman to conduct the games and to lead the participants in evaluation of the exercise.

The students are briefed on the topic of the afternoon's seminar so that they can use the simulations to develop questions that they can ask the speakers later. This format is designed to give students a firsthand look at the land problem as they develop it themselves on the playing board, and then an opportunity to talk to people who tackle these issues in the real world. November-December 1975
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