

NEWS NOTES AND PERSONALS.

WE learn with regret of the death of Levi H. Turner who died at his home in Quincy, Mass., on Jan. 16. He was one of the pioneer Henry George men in Boston and one of the number who first conducted Sunday afternoon meetings on Boston Common. He spoke there several times last summer. He was a native of Maine, and at least 60 years old. He is survived by a widow who enthusiastically shares his views on the land question. Some years ago he became a member of the Socialist Party and was a nominee in Quincy for elective offices on the party ticket. He ceased active participation as a Socialist and again became a propagandist in the Single Tax movement, believing that the land question must be settled first before any advance can be made along socialistic lines.

MISS RUTH PATERSON, winner of one of the minor cash prizes in the N. Y. High School Essay Contest received it from Dr. Geo. R. Lunn, of the Schenectady *Citizen*, who stated that he considered the winner of the prize had brought honor not only to herself but also to the high school as well as the city of Schenectady.

A GROUND Hog Day Conference was held in Columbus, Ohio, on Feb. 2. The Ground Hog is a new weekly Single Tax paper of a snappy character published by David Gibson, Caxton building, Cleveland, Ohio. The house of which Mr. Gibson is the head publishes a number of business periodicals.

IN December of last year Fairhope celebrated its twentieth anniversary, on which occasion E. B. Gaston reviewed the progress of the colony. Rev. G. C. Simpson spoke on Fairhope, Present and Future. Other speakers were C. E. Littlefield, Mrs. M. L. Johnson, E. G. Dougherty, C. A. Brothers and Judge W. A. Foster.

GEORGE FOSTER PEABODY has declined appointment to the Federal Trade Commission.

THE death of Miss Lily A. Ross, for several years teacher in the Business High School of Washington, D. C., is announced. Miss Ross was born in Forest City, Arkansas, thirty-eight years ago, and was a sister of Mrs. Walter I. Swanton, at whose home she died. She was a well informed and ardent Single Taxer. Last year she visited all the Single Tax colonies in Maine, Mass., New Jersey and Delaware and gave an interesting address concerning them at the opening meeting of the Women's Single Tax Club of Washington, D. C.

THE Cleveland (Ohio) *News* gives an account of a lady in that city, Mrs. Ella B. Clement, who at the advanced age of 65 is studying taxation. Evidently she is doing so to some purpose for she says:

"Tax on personal property is a farce because it can so easily be hidden. Land cannot be put into a trunk and lied about. Single Tax would force stricter honesty. But it cannot cure all modern business ills, as some seem to think. But we ought, to give it a trial, and if it is not efficient we might repeal the statutes creating it."

"You and I may not live to see it, but the truths which Henry George made so clear will not only live, but that they will be generally accepted is certain." This is the conviction expressed by the Right Rev. Monsignor Barry, Catholic Vicar General of the Diocese of Sandhurst, Victoria, Australia, who for fifty years has been a devoted servant of the church.

THREE high school boys of Elgin, Ill., spoke in advocacy of the Single Tax in the old council chamber of that city. Each boy presented some phase of the question and so close was the contest that the judges announced that they were unable to reach a decision. The prizes therefore were equally distributed among the three.

"WE will never solve the question of Unemployment until we settle the Land Question," said Congressman John I. Nolan, one of the pioneers in the Home Rule in Taxation movement in California.