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TWO-CENT POSTAGE
 The war rates on first class mail matter have now been lowered, and letters may be mailed for two cents an ounce, as formerly. Postal cards are likewise reduced from two cents to the old one-cent rate.
 It may seem a trivial thing. Many people say they care little what the letter rate is—they spend so small a part of their income on postage. But it is no trifle to the government. That extra cent on letters and postal cards increased the postoffice revenues \$126,000,000 in less than two years.
 You paid it. Everybody paid it, though some naturally paid more than others. It bore with special weight on business concerns that use the mails freely for correspondence and advertising.
 It resulted in some useful improvements and reforms, such as stopping the wasteful old practice of always sending receipts for small payments, even when they are made by checks, which, when endorsed, are good enough receipts for anybody. It also stopped the cluttering of the mail boxes with some useless correspondence. But in the main, it was a tax on useful communication and thus a tax on intelligence and constructive business. So it is well abolished.
 The government still needs money, but it can raise it better in some other way—for example, in the form of taxes accruing from the profits on increased business due to lower postage.

FACTS AND PRICES
 Food riots are taking place in many countries. So far, they have not been long-continued or of great magnitude. But the mere fact that in any place people can be hungry to the rebellious point indicates that something is wrong with the world.
 There is just one remedy for this state of things. The world, sobered down, must turn to and work overtime until the deficits of the five years of war is made up. There is only one way in which a deficit of work can be made up. That is by working.
 To disdain one job after another because it does not offer all the advantages one might desire does not help out the deficit. Taking a job and working hard at it while keeping a weather eye out for something better does help.
 It is not wise that any person should work so long or so hard at his regular job that he grows overtired, or stale. But it is necessary that everyone should work a just and sensible number of hours per day at some creative task. That is what keeps the world from getting further behind. Every bit of work done beyond that helps fill the hole.
 Growing something in a garden no bigger than a window box helps. An hour or two a week of study along some useful line helps. No time spent in study or research is ever lost. Study produces the power to produce.
 The woman who puts the new washers on her own kitchen faucet helps. She releases the plumber for work on the new house down the street. The man who puts in the needed shelf or tool rack gives the carpenter that much more time for the new house.
 Keeping well helps the world. Keeping sane and happy helps the world.
 Prices will not go down—nor will we have enough extra dollars to meet them—until production has filled the hole. Kicking about prices does no good. Nothing does any good, but putting one's shoulder to the wheel.

Senator Harding's hidebound Republican newspaper at Marion probably approves the senator's stunt of financing propaganda against the Lane land for soldiers plan. But can you imagine the indignation of the said newspaper if Secretary Lane had used similar methods in support of this splendid legislation?
 We are somewhat anxious to see how Senator Harding will alibi himself for taking a position directly contrary to the league of nations plank and will Hays placed in the Ohio Republican platform. Warren Gamaliel, get out your slicker for there's a storm coming.
 Consistent little Will Hays, co-author with Senator Harding of the Republican platform in Ohio demanding a league of nations, is now openly taking the leadership of his party in the fight against the league.
 Will Hays is to plan the obstructionist campaign to prevent President Wilson from taking the country by storm when he returns.
 While Lodge, Knox, Borah and others vent their spleen against the treaty and league, the important measures can wait.
 With Hays in Washington there will be a renewal of the bitter, partisan attacks on the president. This is the Hays pet form of campaign.

LOOKING BACKWARD
 Somebody has dug up a letter written to a man in Hartford, Conn., in 1820, by a pioneering brother who had settled in Ohio. It contains this interesting reference to the liquor situation of that period:
 "Whisky is the principal drink used in all this western country, and is drunk in great abundance. The principal reason of this, probably, is the want of a market for their surplus quantity of grain, which induces the inhabitants to convert it into whisky, which is very cheap in consequence."
 There seems to have been little "problem" about it in those days. It was evidently not thought of as a moral problem or efficiency problem. They wanted something to drink; they had more grain than they could eat or sell, so they made their surplus into whiskey and drank the whiskey.
 This experience was duplicated in many parts of the United States in the early days—and to some extent in days not so early.
 The whiskey of that time was evidently not the potent stuff to which the present generation has been accustomed. It was probably more like the southern "moonshine," which is commonly said to be drunk "by the tumbler," without the consequences that would result from such consumption of the usual high-proof whiskey of commerce. Still, it had its effect.
 With all the virtues possessed by those pioneering ancestors, sobriety hardly ranked as high among them as it has among their descendants of recent decades. And they would have been amazed at the prophetic suggestion that their grandchildren and great-grandchildren would pronounce alcohol an intolerable evil.
 With the center of the stage all their own for many weeks the obstructionist senators, using misrepresentation of fact, appealing to every prejudice and passion, resorting to rife and insinuation, have not only failed to move the country at large from its firm adhesion to the league and treaty, but they have made themselves ridiculous in the eyes of the nation and the world. Now, how much chance will they and their cause stand when the president turns his guns upon them—the guns of truth, of logic and reason as only Woodrow Wilson can?

Mr. Rodney Morrison, Jr., of Philadelphia, Pa., spoke at the noon luncheon of the Chamber of Commerce Wednesday.
 His topic was "Hog Island and Its Problems." Mr. Morrison said that he was a "representative hog" from Hog Island. He referred to the scurrilous attacks made on Hog Island authorities and regretted that when the investigation was over, the whitewash was not made as public as the attack.
 The contract with the U. S. Shipbuilding Corporation was signed Sept. 17, 1917. The island comprises 900 acres, is seven miles from the city hall, Philadelphia and has two miles of waterfront.
 When work began at Hog Island, the ground was very swampy, a marsh, and unfit. It was located two miles from a railroad and one mile from a trolley line. On account of the cold winter of 1917, work was exceedingly difficult.
 The government, however, was not very long in placing the island in the proper condition for human habitation. Hog Island is an assembling yard for the fabricated ship. Parts are made in various cities throughout the United States and shipped to Hog Island, where they are assembled. Two types of ships are constructed, the A type, which is a cargo ship, and the B type, which is a troop ship.
 To date, forty-four ships have been launched. Twenty-two have been delivered. The speaker then referred to the effect that the Hog Island yards had upon the morale of the men in the army. He said the speed shown at Hog Island had a tendency to show the men who were in the war to win that the government was doing all in its power to speed along the building of ships.
 At the start, 300,000 additional men were needed for work in the yards. These were quickly secured. Training schools were established. Many of the men were from Ohio and Indiana, who, the speaker said, were above the average workmen, and they are still on the job. The Hog Island yards will be discontinued in February, 1920. It is not known what will become of them. They are too large for a private industrial enterprise, but could be turned into a shipping and railroad center.
 Speaking of labor conditions, Mr. Morrison, who was connected with the industrial development division at Hog Island, declared that wages would not come down to a pre-war basis.

RINGLING BROS. AND BARNUM & BAILEY
Mammoth Shows Are Now Combined and Announce Exhibitions At Columbus At Early Date.
 The World's biggest amusement institution, Ringling Brothers and Barnum & Bailey Shows Combined, is to exhibit afternoon and night at Columbus, Thursday, July 24.
 The consolidation of the "World's Greatest Shows" and the "Greatest Show on Earth" in one circus of colossal size, constitutes the amusement surprise of the country. Nothing to approach this gigantic, new circus has ever before toured America. It has been formed by merging the pick and the cream of all that was biggest and best in the two famous shows. It would be folly to attempt to enumerate its many wonders. Some idea of the enormous scale upon which features are presented may be had when it is stated that a quarter of a million pounds of elephants take part in a single act. In other words—six times as many of the big-eared giants than have ever before been seen in one main-tent exhibition. All else to be seen is in proportion. The arena stars embrace all the world's foremost circus performers. There are three hours of novelties and big sensational acts. The management is far and away the most colossal ever traveled. For instance—a herd of eight giraffes are exhibited in place of the two or three shown in the past. The great tournament which opens the main-tent program, is the most magnificent thing in pageantry yet produced in America. Hundreds upon hundreds of gorgeously costumed characters and beautiful horses take part in it. The morning street parade is the longest and most brilliant ever given anywhere. It is a stupendous, super-circus that baffles description.

MORRISON TALKS ON HOG ISLAND AND BIG SHIPS

Gives Fine Address Before Chamber of Commerce Wednesday Noon

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ADVANCE MAN HERE FOR CHAUTAUQUA

Season Tickets Delivered To Local Committee And Are On Sale Now

With the arrival of Mr. R. C. Peale, 28-day advance man of the Redpath chautauqua, comes word that in addition to attractions previously announced there will be presented on the local program the popular light opera, "The Chocolate Soldier." The cast is to include 30 people, with orchestra, stage settings and costuming complete.
 Mr. Peale has delivered to the local chautauqua committee season tickets which are to be on sale at various central locations. This year, as in the past, the season ticket price is \$2.20, including war tax.
 With the chautauqua less than four weeks distant, community effort will be centered on putting over one of the real big events of the year. The seven-day program this season has every appearance of being by all odds the most interesting ever prepared for local people. It includes features that are timely and constructive, as well as entertainment features that are sure to be extremely popular.
 It would be difficult to imagine a more enjoyable evening than one at the chautauqua tent listening to the Althea Violin Chorus and Colonel Beauchamp; Knight MacGregor, the Scottish baritone; Captain Paul Bewsher of the British Royal Air Force; Katharine Ridgeway, reader; "The Chocolate Soldier," or any of the numerous other attractions offered this season by the Redpath management. It looks as though chautauqua patrons are in for a rare seven-day treat.

SURVEY IS STARTED FOR RUBBER PLANT

Spur Track To Be Constructed By B. & O. Railroad Company At Early Date.

The surveying and leveling of the ground on which the new rubber tire plant will be located was started today.
 Mr. Kahrl, head of the industrial committee of the Chamber of Commerce, together with Secretary Leroy Mayer, met with officials of the Baltimore and Ohio railroad yesterday and held a conference, relative to the laying of a railroad spur and other matters of transportation.
 The officials of the rubber company were communicated with over the long distance telephone this morning and notified that the work of surveying the property had been started.

AKRON BALL TEAM WILL PLAY HERE

The local ball club will play Akron, Sunday afternoon at the local ball park. Pitcher Bond, formerly of Mt. Vernon, will be on the mound for the visitors, while Lefty Beck, who cavorted at short for the local club, will be seen in the same position for Akron.
 Both of the former local players are now working in the factory of the General Rubber Company, in Akron.

CENTERBURG

Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Thomas spent Sunday at Kirkersville.
 Mr. and Mrs. Charles Williams of Columbus were Sunday guests of the former's mother, Mrs. M. H. Williams.
 Mr. and Mrs. Reed Clause of Akron were week-end visitors here.
 Miss Norma Baker is spending a week with relatives at Sunbury.
 Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Tarbutton spent several days last week at Springfield.
 Mrs. O. S. Adams of Washington, D. C., is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George S. Fuller.
 Mr. Marlon Welsh of Westerville was a visitor in town Saturday.
 B. C. Ramey and wife attended the Willard-Dempsey fight at Toledo on Friday.

DARLING'S OPINION

Nin Darling, an old miller of this city, stated to The Banner Wednesday morning that there will not be the flour in the new wheat crop, owing to the fact that the berry is very small.

CITY TO ISSUE BONDS TO CARE FOR DEFICIENCY

Council Adopts Resolution Monday Night After A Wobbly Session

LIGHT COMPANY IS ASKING FOR MONEY

Police Committee And Mayor To Stop Practice of Auto Speeding

After a rather wobbly session Monday night, the city council passed an ordinance authorizing the city auditor to issue bonds to the extent of \$12,770.81, which is the amount of the deficiency that now exists in the city treasury.
 More or less pressure was brought to bear upon the passing of the deficiency bill, when Mr. William Wilkinson of the Central Light & Power Co. made his appearance and announced that the company would appreciate it if the city would pay its light bill.
 The meeting began with only five councilmen present, including Councilman Hookway, who acted as president in the absence of President Weaver.
 After several resolutions were given their third reading someone discovered that they could not be passed because there were not two-thirds of the councilmen present.
 A short delay was then caused while one of the members called Councilman Williams on the 'phone and informed him of the meeting. Upon his arrival, the ordinance was again read and duly passed.
 Eight bonds will be issued, which will cover the deficiency up to January 1, 1920. The bonds will be in the denomination of \$227.81 and \$1500.
 The question of automobile speeders again came up at the meeting and was the subject of much discussion. A clipping from a Columbus newspaper was read by Mr. Hookway which told how Columbus was handling the case of speeders and that they had already reduced the number of them.
 Some of the councilmen were in favor of having the speed demons \$20 and costs, thus hoping to replenish the city's funds and also reduce the number of speeders.
 It was decided to let the police committee meet with the mayor, in order to arrive at some decision.
 An ordinance for the improvement of Pleasant street and Division street by placing sanitary sewers therein, was also passed. It was given its second and third readings and the rules were suspended for its final passage.
 The semi-annual budget, as prepared by City Auditor Gates for the coming six months calls for \$75,686.57 and was duly passed by the council. The budget is as follows: General fund \$4997.21, public health fund \$4534.72, safety fund \$18,420, public service fund \$35,018.88, public library \$2232.63, sinking fund \$18,473.23.
 According to Mayor Bair's report for the month of June \$45 for fines was collected, \$30 for in and out fees, and \$242 for city licenses.

MONROE CENTER

Mrs. Chester Johnson and children of Cleveland were guests of Frank Johnson and family last week.
 Len Scott and family were guests of Deo Dowds and family Sunday.
 Clarence Grubb and family visited with John Dowds and family Sunday.
 Albert Wolfard and family and Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hoar visited Mt. Vernon friends one day last week.
 Mr. Lyman Robinson and family of Mt. Vernon were the guests of William Metcalf and family Saturday night and Sunday.
 Mr. and Mrs. John Zuccaro were here Sunday afternoon.
 Mrs. Ottinger and her two daughters, of Mansfield, were the guests of Miss Celestia Grubb last week.
 A. W. Hoar was in Columbus one day last week.
 Earl Rinehart of Dawson City was in this place one day last week.
 S. R. Weaver and daughter and Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Weaver were in Newark Tuesday.
 Mr. Ross Scott and family of Mt.

OFFICERS INSTALLED BY REBEKAH LODGE

The following officers were installed by Knox Rebekah lodge, Monday evening, by the deputy president, Addie Rine:
 Noble Grand—Sadie Scottie.
 Vice Grand—Grace Unroe.
 R. S. to Noble Grand—Emma Ward.
 L. S. to Noble Grand—Tiezza Gates.
 R. S. to Vice Grand—Minnie Shaffer.
 L. S. to Vice Grand—Myrtle Caine.
 Conductor—Alice Pharis.
 Chaplain—Ida Dowds.
 Inside Guardian—Stella Atherton.

MRS. NETTIE HOSACK DIES IN HOSPITAL

Mrs. Nettie Hosack, aged 40 years, of Fredericktown, died at 5 o'clock Monday afternoon at the Mt. Vernon hospital, following an operation for cancer.
 She leaves her husband, Lee Hosack, and four sons. The body was taken to the home in Fredericktown. Funeral Wednesday at 2 o'clock in Fredericktown. Burial in Forest cemetery.

SQUIRREL SEASON IS SEPTEMBER 3 TO 20

New Law Goes Into Effect This Year; Ruling Received From State Department

The open season on squirrel this year is September 3 to September 20, inclusive.
 Clerk of Court Taylor received word Wednesday morning from the chief game warden, Columbus, giving information in reply to a letter sent to the department several days ago.
 The law this year was changed, so that the squirrel season is from August 20, to September 20. However, the new law does not go into effect until September 3, consequently the state department rules that the hunting season for squirrel this year is both dates included.
 The dates for hunting squirrel in the from September 3, to September 20, past was from September 15 to October 20.
 The clerk's office is now ready to issue 1919 hunters' licenses.

AUTO THIEVES BUSY OVER THE COUNTRY

According to the number of notices Acting Chief of Police McElroy has received, automobile thieves are busy throughout the country.
 The acting chief received nine notices this morning from all parts of the state, notifying him of machines that had been stolen.
 While a number of the machines stolen have been large ones, the majority of them have been Fords.
 We are offering a strictly first-class 30x3 1/2 Firestone non-skid tire, factory guarantee 6,000 miles, at a special price of \$17. Max Meyers Stove Store, West Gambier street.
 W&F-P-11

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Vernon were guests of William Rinehart Saturday and Sunday.
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 Mr. Howard Grubb of Newark is the guest of Jay Scott and family.
 M. B. Hurley was in Howard Monday night.
 J. H. Needs and family were guests of Ray McNutt and family Sunday.

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