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THE FARMERS AND THE LIBERTY LOAN.

One aspect of the \$5,000,000,000 loan, the Liberty Loan of 1917, that the farmers of America may well consider is that a very great portion of the money raised by the bond issue will come directly into the pockets of the farmers of the Nation.

All of the money advanced to our allies will be expended in the United States and as they are making all of their own munitions practically all of the money advanced them will be spent for products of the farms—for cotton for clothing and high explosives, wool for clothing and leather for shoes; but by far the greater part of the money loaned our allies will be expended here for food products.

In a few months the United States will have under arms 1,200,000 men and 500,000 reserves in training; so including the navy there will be 2,000,000 men that our government will feed and clothe. This will make the United States Government by far the largest single customer the farmers of America have.

The secretary of the treasury is employing such methods in handling the loan that no community will be denuded of money by reason of Liberty Loan Bond purchases. The money will be left in local banks and as the government purchases food and supplies the money raised by the bond issue will pass back into the pockets of the people.

The farmers of the country should subscribe liberally to the Liberty Loan Bonds. They get the safest investment in the world and their money supplies their best customer the funds to purchase their products. This is political economy the wisdom of which is plain to everyone.

Baker voted No 2848 to 1254 Yes on the road bonds. Evidently Baker County doesn't want to be on a through state highway.

THE STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION.

What opportunities there are these days for service, and how well many men are grasping them. Take for instance the members of the state highway commission. What a great opportunity these three men have! The state has voted that it wants a complete, harmonious state highway system. Many of the voters opposed this plan.

Support The Government!

At this critical period in our history our manufacturers are offering their mills, and our young men are offering their services to the United States Government.

Do your bit by subscribing to the Liberty Loan. This bank can furnish Bonds in denominations of \$50, \$100, \$500 or \$1000. You can pay for bonds in installments.

Come In and Talk It Over

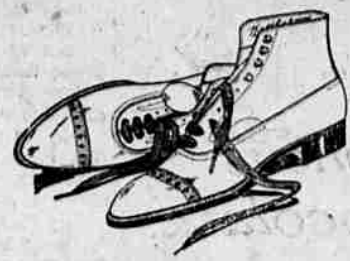
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EDITORIAL COMMENT.

Salem's Official Flower.

Salem recently adopted the gladiolus as her official flower, but judging from the parkings and back yards, the lowly potato has jumped the job for this season. It is the popular plant though not in bloom yet, and besides being pleasing to eyes and nose, its tubers are a delight to the palate and also filling to the stomach. That is where it has Miss Gladiolus backed off the city map, to stay off "for three years, or during the war."—Salem Capital Journal.

U. S. MARINES MERIT THE ADMIRATION AND CONFIDENCE OF THE AMERICAN PEOPLE.

Washington, D. C., June 9.—(To Editor Clarke Leiter, Observer, La Grande, Ore.)—Copy of statement by the Secretary of the Navy: "There are no better soldiers in the world than those in the United States Marine Corps. Famously known as 'Soldiers of the Sea' they have won their place by their splendid bearing courage and bravery. Always among the first and often the first to land whenever the country needs trained, armed men. They have borne themselves in such a manner as to win complete admiration and fullest confidence of the American people. Service in the Marine Corps is a badge of honor and promotion in the Corps can be attained only by merit. In no other military service is promotion more certain to a man who demonstrates his capacity. June 10th to June 16th has been designated by the Marine Corps recruiting service as 'Marine Corps Week' and a special effort will be made during those days to add four thousand recruits to the Marine Corps, the number desired to bring the Corps up to the strength lately authorized by Congress. Young men with real American stuff, ready to serve in all parts of the world on land and sea, will find in it a place where they can serve their country in a way to win its gratitude, with the opportunity of winning distinction for themselves.

JOSEPHUS DANIELS.

I bespeak your generous cooperation and support by patriotic organizations, business houses and influential citizens in making successful this extraordinary recruiting effort.

GEORGE BARNETT.

Major General Commandant
 U. S. Marine Corps.

VALIDITY OF AUTO LICENSE TAX IS NOW CONCEDED

Salem, Or., June 9.—(Special)—Whatever question may have existed as to the validity of the bill passed by the recent legislature, increasing the automobile license, was removed when the people, at the recent election, passed the uniform tax classification amendment, according to lawyers here. The amendment strikes a body blow at the old property tax, and allows a classification of property for taxation purposes.

Our Wants Ads bring results.

Marine Corps in Film.

Washington, June 9.—(Special)—To further augment the recruiting of four thousand sea-soldiers during National Marine Corps recruiting week June 10 to 16, a three reel Edison moving picture entitled "The Star-Spangled Banner," dealing with a story of life in the U. S. Marine Corps, will be released on June 10. A regiment of U. S. Marines helped make this picture and are seen in action on land and water. The production has the approval of Marine Corps authorities.

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