

EUGENE WATER & ELECTRIC BOARD CORDIALLY INVITES YOU TO ATTEND 'OPEN HOUSE' SATURDAY & SUNDAY AFTERNOONS

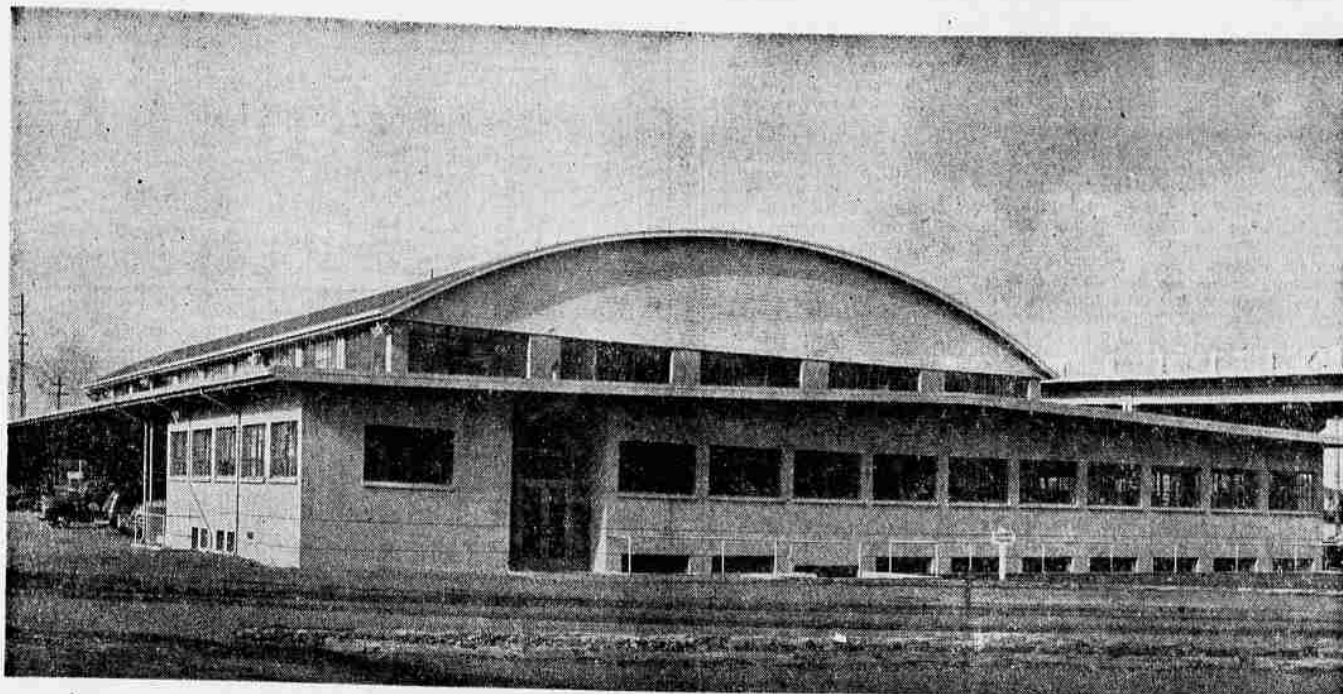


Photo by Carroll C. Calkins

Situated just east of the Ferry Street overpass is this new office headquarters and warehouse of the Eugene Water & Electric Board. The entrance and office portion of the spacious new building are shown here. The structure contains 40,000 square feet of space on the main floor.

There is an additional basement area 53 feet wide and 136 feet long. The building contains warehouse facilities, offices for management, clerical workers, accounting, engineering, drafting, billing, collections, large storage vaults, a basement auditorium and lunchroom.

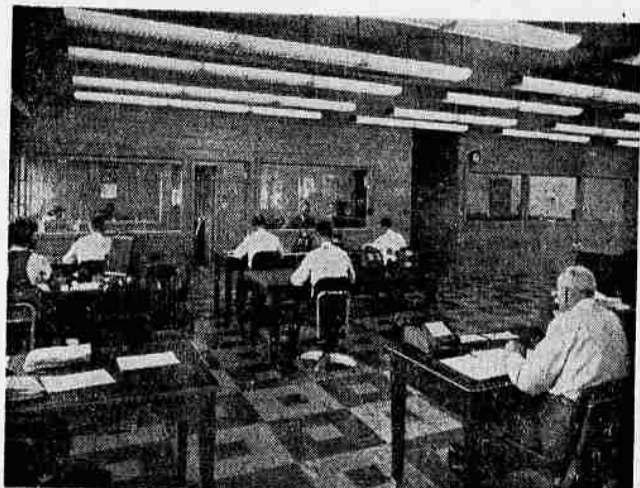


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A corner of the accounting department's quarters is shown here. Generous window space and ample fluorescent lighting make work in this spacious room a pleasure. Glased-in offices are provided for the office manager, the paymaster, the superintendent-secretary, and for a Board conference room.



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Here is the warehouse portion of the new EWEB home, taken as supplies were being moved into place. The large storage quarters will step up efficiency in handling of construction materials and supplies, which had been spilling over from the old warehouse quarters for several years, as a result of the utilities' rapid growth. A stockroom system and inventory control have been set up.



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In this new \$109,000 repair shop structure, approximately 100 trucks, construction vehicles and passenger cars are serviced and repaired. The main building is 60 feet wide and 113 feet long. Long needed, the new building houses modern equipment which makes it possible for the EWEB to do practically all its own service, maintenance and repair work.



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Adequate lighting is a first requirement for modern drafting rooms. Here is the EWEB's daylight-saturated drafting room in the new office-warehouse structure. New equipment includes matched modern drafting tables.

Warehouse-Shop And Office Ready For Inspection

Visiting Hours to Be From 2 to 8 p. m. Saturday and From 2 to 6 P. M. Sunday; All Customers and Friends Invited.

Settled at last in their new home by the Willamette River, at the east end of Fourth Avenue, employees and members of the Eugene Water and Electric Board have planned an "open house" celebration Saturday and Sunday, June 21 and 22.

Everyone is invited to visit and inspect the new office-warehouse structure, and the new repair and maintenance shop. Hours will be from 2 until 8 p.m. on Saturday, and from 2 to 6 p.m. on Sunday.

The new buildings are the culmination of several years of planning. Their construction was made imperative by the greatest ex-

How to Get There . . .

There are two ways to reach the Water & Electric Board's new buildings.

1. Go over the Ferry Street overpass and turn right at the north end of the overpass.
2. Go northward on High Street and turn right at Fourth Ave. East. Ample parking space will be found in front of the office-warehouse building (see picture of it, top, left).

pansion era in Eugene history. (The growth of Eugene and surrounding area since the close of World War II has resulted in an approximate tripling of the municipal utilities facilities and services).

As early as 1946, it became apparent that the Eugene Water & Electric Board would have to undertake a tremendous construction program in order to catch up a program delayed by war shortages, along with the necessity of satisfying the multiplying demands for electric and water services in the immediate-post-war years.

First things came first. Expansion of the lumber industry and the subsequent influx of thousands of new Eugene-area citizens tremendously stimulated construction of homes, service industries and stores. All needed water and electricity. As a result, electric generating facilities were more than doubled, as was the distribution system of power lines, substations and transformers. A completely new water supply plant was built, and miles and miles of new water mains were laid.

As these facilities provided for the utilities' customer-owners multiplied, the old headquarters at the City Hall became so crowded that efficient operation was endangered. Employees were walking on each others' toes. Desks were crowded into tiny offices like sardines. Parking became a problem of major proportions.

Likewise the old warehouse structure near the steam plant, and the shop in the steam plant became entirely inadequate for efficient operations.

Thus it was a "great day" for customers, employees and the managerial staff when in March of this year, the move to the new quarters was begun. More efficient routines have been established. Comforts for customers and employees have been much improved.

And now that employees are firmly settled in their new home, the EWEB organization is inviting customers and friends to an informal open house and inspection tour.

In behalf of members of the Board and the entire organization, R. B. Bools, general superintendent-secretary, has issued a cordial invitation to everyone in the Eugene region to attend.

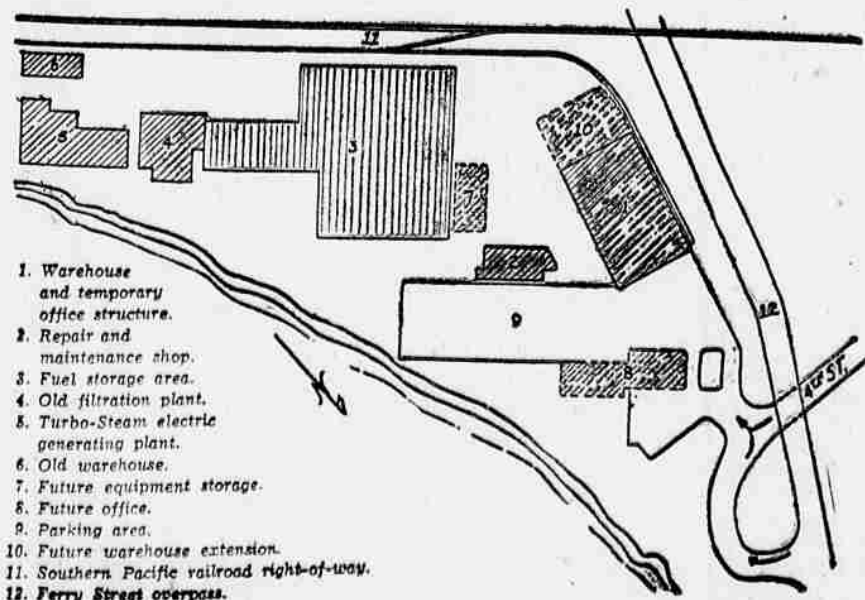
Buildings Fit Into Long-Term Plans

The new warehouse-office structure is designed primarily as a warehouse. The offices installed in the building will be removed in future years, when demands for additional warehouse space becomes greater. Plans have been made to erect a separate office building when all the space in the building is required for warehouse purposes.

The warehouse-office and the new shop were designed by Architect Ralph C. Beardsworth of Eugene.

FACTS ABOUT YOUR UTILITY SYSTEMS

- ★ Total assets of the two municipally owned utilities are computed at \$20,499,361; long term bonded debt amounts to \$3,150,000.
- ★ Electric department total revenue in 1951 was \$2,373,515.58, as compared with \$2,059,270.49 in 1950.
- ★ The average rate for residential electricity remains at 1.14 cents per kilowatt-hour—one of the lowest average rates in the entire U. S.
- ★ Electric customers totaled 20,518 (average) in 1951, compared with 19,270 in 1950.
- ★ Water department sales increased from \$380,465.99 in 1950 to \$505,784.41 in 1951.
- ★ The utilities have a total of approximately 300 employees.
- ★ The five members of the Eugene Water & Electric Board (who are chosen by ballot, and who serve without pay) are W. R. Robertson, Dr. Howard R. Taylor, L. W. Trommlitz, Stanley R. Darling and Olaf A. Houglum.



1. Warehouse and temporary office structure.
2. Repair and maintenance shop.
3. Fuel storage area.
4. Old filtration plant.
5. Turbo-steam electric generating plant.
6. Old warehouse.
7. Future equipment storage.
8. Future office.
9. Parking area.
10. Future warehouse extension.
11. Southern Pacific railroad right-of-way.
12. Ferry Street overpass.

