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The declaration has been made in a public gathering in Eugene, perhaps frequently that if \$10,000 were needed to "put over" this proposition to annex Springfield, it could be raised. Who is a candidate for a slice of this fund? This is not a paid advertisement.

If any church in this town or any one of its auxiliary societies allows itself, even passively, to be made a vehicle for the carrying forward of this annexation propaganda, it must be expected that it will soon cease to be an agency for the advancement or even the conservation of the spiritual interests it was set to serve.

If these few men who are spouting annexation succeed in forcing this matter to a vote, as we do not think they will, it will bring on one of the bitterest fights this town has ever seen. Let no one doubt that the town will fight for its life to the last. Every religious and moral interest will be sure to suffer by it. Those who have precipitated this contest, without any excuse will be responsible for this damage. Those who feel themselves charged with the preservation of these interests should be aroused to the danger in time, and govern themselves accordingly.

A number of negroes, in a Florida town, who had come to be often called on to act as pall bearers at the funerals of members of their own race, finally organized a union, and struck for wages. It has been commonly thought that when a man "shuffled off this mortal coil" he was out of reach of the industrial strife and all the other turmoil of this feverish life. But if this strike business—for it is coming to be more of a business than anything else—is to follow a man after death, the undertakers will have to quit putting the legend "at rest" on the lid of his coffin. The fact has been quite generally questioned in the majority of cases anyhow.

Some figures on electric light, which were presented at the annexation debate, were hastily gathered, under circumstances which would make them of no value to do business on; but they probably served the purpose of the hour, and ministered to the self-satisfaction of the debaters. Figures furnished from the office on the two principal points are these: Meters in Springfield, 570; average cost per month, \$1.50.

### ON THE MAP

One of the things thrown up to the discredit of Springfield in the annexation debate (and by Springfielders, too; "what do you know about that?") was that places had been found where the people knew where Eugene was and did not know where Springfield was. Nothing surprising about that. Springfield is the smaller town, and is three-quarters of a mile off the main line of the Southern

Pacific railroad. But movements that are now in their inception will change all that. Springfield will be on the main line, and Eugene will not. It will be no trouble to find Springfield by 1925. That is why this propaganda has been started just now. It would be too late by 1923. By the way, if that counts for anything, here is a man who has been in several places in the northwestern states where, for reasons he does not care to mention, the people knew where Springfield was, and did not know where Eugene was.

### Need a Division of Labor

The same advocate of the attachment of Springfield to the Eugene kite is making these two pleas in support of the propaganda:

Plea No. 1. Springfield is such a ridiculously small town that it ought to be attached to Eugene, in order that it might become a part of the large town that Eugene will be when it swallows Springfield.

Plea No. 2. When Springfield becomes a great town by reason of the location of the railroad shops, with thousands of shop workmen and their families, some of them probably foreigners, we will need the motherly assistance of Eugene to care for them.

If the time comes when the annexationists can muster a sufficient force of spouters to cover all the phases of their variegated platform, it would be better to assign one man to the "little town" plea, a different man to the "big town" plea, and so on. It is too hard on one man to spread himself over two such tasks so radically antagonistic to each other. And then it does not look so well; and that ought to count for something, even to an annexationist.

### LIFELESS FACTS

The boast has been made on the affirmative side of the recent annexation debate that they presented all the facts and arguments. Let us put one line of their boasted facts into the scales. A jumble of figures was recited concerning certain classes of city expenses. Take the figures on taxation, for example. What were they read off for? What bearing did they have on the question under debate? A mere recitation of a lot of figures—class them as facts, if you please—would not be entitled to any weight with a judge of debate until they were carried two steps farther than these were carried.

First, it must have been shown—not merely asserted; this was a necessary part of the required proof—that these conditions would be changed by the surrender of Springfield's corporate existence. Second, it must have been shown how it would be changed. Not the slightest attempt to show either of these things was made by these speakers in the debate or has been made by the propagandists at any time.

All the figures or other statements that can be piled up, with



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this necessary support entirely absent, are absolutely worthless. These propagandists are some on show, but not much on showing; and some of the people about Springfield are from Missouri.

### THE RIGHT OF WAY

There is a right of way in every such question as this of taking away the corporate life of Springfield. In this case, the right of way is with the town and with those persons who would defend its life and with those who wish to be left free to share in the opportunities that are opening or may open before it and in the benefits they may bring. The town has an individuality of its own, and it has a right to it and to all the privileges that go with it.

Anyone who assails these rights, even though he may be a citizen of the town, is off his proper ground. He is making the venture at his own risk; and must expect nothing but take the natural consequences. He has no rights in the matter that will hold against the superior rights of the town. Such action does not rest on the same ground as questions concerning public improvements, sewerage, water, lights, schools and taxation, on which the citizens of a town may divide without wronging each other.

To wantonly take away the life of a town, as threatened in this case, is not an offense on the same moral plane as to take away the life of a man, but it involves, in a lower degree, the same privilege. If a man assails the life of a town, the burden of justification of his act all rests upon him. He must expect the town and those who stand for the maintenance of its life to resist. He has no right to expect anything else. If he is worsted, even wounded in the resistance, he is not wronged. He has no rights in the matter as against the town. He took his own chances.

### The "Moral Plea a Humbug

The attempt to trick out this scheme for the surrender of Springfield's independent life to Eugene in the garb of a high moral purpose is too grotesque to bear close inspection. For years certain influences emanating from the life and teachings

## In Society

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry M. Stewart was the scene of a surprise on their daughter Charlotte, Saturday night, it being her sixteenth birthday. The guests were in mask costumes.

The guests were entertained with field meet stunts, target shooting and guessing who was who. Eileen Killeen entertained with a Gipsy dance which was greatly appreciated. Al Killeen, dressed as a Turkish dancer, took the crowd by surprise when he performed with fancy dancing which was extremely oriental.

The birthday cake was a large angel food with pink frosting covered with dainty candies and sixteen candles in hand-made holders. A large pink mo-line bow was tied on one side. Mrs. Killeen and Mrs. S. Ralph Dippel assisted the hostess in serving.

The guests were: Misses Aline Larimer, Dorothy Ditto, Emma Travis, Ver-nita Morrison, Eileen Killeen, Alice Mortensen, Crystal Bryan, Rebecca Wertman, Pauline Driscoll, Winifred Long, Marion Spencer, Audrey McPherson, Charlotte Stewart, Miss Williamson, Messrs. Merrit McPherson, Bob Driscoll, Charley Davis, Joe Bally, Of Eugene, Al Killeen, Tom Brattain, Charley Hutchins, Ralph Cline.

Mrs. R. J. Reynolds, assisted by her sister, Mrs. Grace Posle entertained the Pine Needle club at her home last Thursday afternoon. Needlework and conversation were in order.

Members present were: Mesdames, Rhoda Lloyd, Phoebe Neilson, Osha Webb, Sadie Neilson, Lilly Kizer, Mamie Van Valzah, Bernice Van Valzah, Lottie Bowman, Hattie Casteen, Nina McPherson and Miss Mary Roberts. Mrs. Ralph Jack was the guest of the afternoon.

The club meets next Thursday at the home of Mrs. Bernice Van Valzah.

of the university have been the bugbear and grief of he real leaders of the religious and moral forces of Eugene.

People who were here then will remember the "clean city" campaign which was carried on in Eugene a few years ago, with a considerable measure of success. They were attacking one evil, which in those years nearly all the better elements in the country were attacking. That made their task much easier. Those forces were well united, and under masterly leadership. Yet those same individuals, in their caucuses among themselves, as the writer of these lines personally knows, confessed their pitiable helplessness in dealing with influences referred to. Because they were entrenched in a state institution, and all manner of interests were enlisted in their support, these men did not dare to "cheep" and they said so.

There is no reason to believe that these conditions are any better now than they were then. On the other hand, the moral forces of Eugene do not seem to have strength of leadership or to have anything like the grip on the community they had then.

The social influences of Eugene, take them all in all, are very far from helpful to the young life of Springfield, as things are now. The parents of Springfield who are as much concerned about the moral welfare of their young as they ought to be, have no resan to court any closer connection.

## Your Teeth

(By Rea Procter McGee, M.D., D.D.S.)

### PREPAREDNESS

Only a fool would want another war. The greatest tragedy of war is that it kills the wrong people.

When the day does come, though, we must have the vigor and energy to do our part. No less must we have the energy and vigor to do our part in times of peace. Peace is a war of commercial competition for the markets of the world.

If we are to do our part, every citizen must be able to do his share of the work no matter what that share may be. We must have nourishment. How can any one be properly nourished on soup?

Whenever you lose your power to masticate you become a "souper." The earlier you lose your power to masticate your food, the sooner your physical and mental development will stop. With all of our high ideals, all of our advancement, all of our science we still face the stern necessity of eating three meals each day.

All of the millions of people in this world must think first of their foot

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In the last analysis a war is just a fight between two sets of people; one set wishes to take the others food away from them.

When we neglect our teeth we bring down on our own heads the penalty that a victorious enemy would inflict; we deprive ourselves of the full benefit of our food.

### INDUSTRIAL REVIEW

Prairie Centre—Development work progressing satisfactorily at Ophir mine with possibility that this property will develop into one of the largest gold producers in the west.

Warrenton—Work begins on the buildings for the Prouty Lumber and Box company.

Oregon City—Southern Pacific depot to be rebuilt.

Wallowa is to have a new high school building.

North Bend—New hotel here nearing completion.

Portland—Contract awarded for a \$27,000 Women's club building.

Salem—Plans complete for the erection of an old folks' home to cost \$55,000.

Newberg—High school building to be remodeled.

Oregon City to have extensive street improvement program for 1922.

Lebanon cannery to run full capacity during the coming season.

Lacey is to have a new school house.

Warrenton to have an auditorium and ball.

La Pine to have a new hotel building.

Marshfield—Main mill of the Pacific States Lumber Co. resumes operations.

Banks—Contract let for the erection of a postoffice building.

Cottage Grove—\$75,000 flume completed at Woodard sawmill.

Kenton to have \$75,000 extension of lumber plant here.

Wheeler sawmill plant idle a year starts up with 200 hands.

Gervels to have a \$15,000 hospital.

Creswell public schools to have a gymnasium.

Sheridan to have a furniture factory.

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### The Pneumonia Month

March is a typical pneumonia month and usually gives a high rate of mortality for the disease. After a long and hard winter, the system loses much of its resistance and people grow careless. When every cold, no matter how slight, is given prompt and intelligent attention, there is much less danger of pneumonia. It should be borne in mind that pneumonia is a germ disease and breeds in the throat. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is an expectorant and cleans out the germ laden mucus and not only cures a cold but prevents its resulting in pneumonia. Children take it willingly.

### YOU ALWAYS HAVE TO PAY

Whether you get your business education at some regular institution, or through the school of experience and hard knocks, you have to pay for it. The latter is mighty expensive both as to time and money, often being at the sacrifice of health and happiness. All the time that you are learning in this way you are working under a great handicap, and often you have to pass up splendid opportunities because of the lack of the necessary business education. Our school year is divided into four terms of three months each. Spring, Summer, Autumn, Winter.

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