Consolidation Is Not Favored charge of \$1.15 for 300 cubic feet and Turners on Trip Mr. and Mrs. G. Birthday Dinner Given A birthday dinner honoring Mr. M cent, Blue River resident, spent Mon-

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than a means of creating it. For, without complete understanding and harmony in the first place, the neces sary vote could not be mustered, even if all economic and practical factors were found favorable to the consolidation.

Increase Population Figures for Eugene

The merging of the two cities under the name of Eugene would increase the population of Eugene by 1800 to 2250 persons. This means that the 1930 census would show Eugene to have from 8 to 10 per cent more people than without the consolidation.

On the face of it, this would seem desirable. The prestige of a sizable population total, even though puffed by the absorption of another incorporated town, doubtless would attract favorable attention of those who did sus figure.

Those persons or agencies who did determine that the absorbed city of Springfield was a factor in the new population figure for Eugene, might minimize Eugene's phenominal natunal growth of the past ten years, and over-estimate the part played by the merger.

Possibility of More Prestige Without Combined Population Figures.

Population figures in themselves do not give a community prestige. While more numbers as represented on the census roll are prima facia evidence of certain parallel business and community conditions in the city. they are not conclusive proof.

For example, Eugene's retail and wholesale volume has been out of all proportion to its size. Instead of being bound by the extent of its city limits, its trade has been determined by the size and population of its .large trading area. Eugene merchants are receiving practically all of the retail business of Springfield citizens, with the possible exception of groceries, meats, confections, drugs, some furniture and hardware, and a few other lines. This is due isting in spite of city boundaries.

In other words, Eugene with its getting the retail business of the citizens of Springfield for natural economic reasons. Eugene, then, enjoys a retail volume out of proportion to its actual populationn nbecause of the proximity of a neighboring town. The physical merging of the two cities would not be likely to increase the retail business done. It would seem that there would be more prestige in having general business and retail conditions actually better that the population seems to warrant, instead of tending toward an ordinary percarita volume, as would be the case sulting from the merger.

Extrasion of Eugene's Municipal Water and Light System to Springfild.

The proposed merger, if followed to its logical conclusion, would mean the extension of Eugene's municipal water and light system to serve the residents of Springfield.

As Eugene's municipal system is able to produce electricity and furnish water at rates below any city on the Pacific Coast, with the exception of Tacoma, it would seem that the extension of such low rates would benefit the citizens of Springfield.

It is realized, of course, that there are technical and legal difficulties to overcome. There is the matter of the existing franchise which has some years yet to run. There is the matter of the condemnation and purchase of the utility's property by the Eugene Water Board.

There is one very serious objection total levy for the city.

Of course, some of this property is part of the company's interconnection system and might not be transferred to the Eugene Board, but the major part would be and would remove over

duction in electricity and water rates dicates that Eugene had 4481 homes property thereof, being an undivided would offset this material tax loss.

Electric Power and Water. The cost of 50 KWH in Eugene for ownership was 46.2%. While it is Amended Plat of Fairmont, now a lighting is \$2.60 and in Springfield 34.00 (Ed. note—The average used slightly lower, no more reliable esin Springfield is about 20 KWH per timate is now available. The appli-the law office of Alta King, in the month. This costs \$1.60 while it cation of that percentage to the numwould be \$1.40 in Eugene. The long ber of homes, indicates that there Oregon. complicated tables in the original re- were 2070 homes owned by occupants This notice is published in the port are not reprinted here).

The cooking rate is \$2.50 minimum both in Eugene and Springfield with 50 KWH in Eugene costing \$2.60 and

On water Eugene has a minimum a season for irrigation.

EFFECT OF TAXES

*COMPARISON OF TAX LEVIES FOR ALL PURPOSES

City	Assessed	Amount	Ra	te in Milis
	Valuation	of Levy	Actual	Equalized
Eugene	\$14,467,899.00	\$846,372.00	58.5	54.6
Springfield	1,202,791.00	86,000.00	71.5	66.7
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*COMPARISON OF TAX LEVIES FOR CITY PURPOSES ONLY

City	Amount		Rate in Mills		
	of Levy	Actual	Equalized		
Eugene	\$245,635.02	17.6	16.4		
Springfield	28,506.15	23.7	22.1		

TABLE 9 *Oregon Voter, May 11, 1929.

The above tables reveal an apparent advantage in favor of the Eugene tax payer. The tax rate in mills is lower for Eugene.

What the tables do not reveal, however, are the differences in assessed valuation of properties in the two communities. According to the county not take the pains to inquire into all assessor's office and other sources, Springfield is assessed at a lower figure the factors represented in the cen- than in Eugene. That being the case, the actual present tax burden for the Springfield tax payer approximates that for the citizen of Eugene and the consolidation would make little change.

SUMMARY OF INDEBTEDNESS JULY 1, 1928 (Report of State Treasurer)

EUGENE		
Bonds Issued	\$3,522,871.24	Per
Bonds Outstanding	\$3,386,755.90	et e
Warrants Outstanding	254,842.83	
TOTAL DEBT		\$3,641,598.73
Less: Sinking Fund		666,371.65
NET DEBT		\$2,915,227.08
SPRINGFIELD		
Bonds Issued	\$221,931.56	
Bonds Outstanding	185,931.56	
Warrants Outstanding	12,694.77	
TOTAL DEBT		\$198,626.33
Less: Sinking Funds		17,035.00
NET DEBT		\$181,591,33

TABLE 10

This table reveals the comparative net indebtedness of the two cities as to an economic condition purely, ex. of July 1, 1828. The figures were taken from those compiled by the State Treasurer for each incorporated city of the state.

Per capita figures are not shown because of the difficulty of accurately present city limits and population is estimating the present populations of the two cities.

. . . SCHOOL SYSTEMS AND COSTS

RATIO OF NET SCHOOL DEBT TO ASSESSED VALUATION PER STUDENT IN AVERAGE DAILY ATTENDANCE

District District Assessed Assessed school dist.	dept	Students Oattending	Assessed val.	Net debt 9 per student	se Percent debt ts to assessed Valuation
19 (Springfield 1,598,878.00	98,666.95	724	2208.39	122.47	5.581/2
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This table reveals that the assessed valuation per school child in average under the new population figures re. daily atendance in Eugene is nearly twice that for Springfield. The net debt per student is 40% greater in Eugene than Springfield, yet the percent debt to assessed value is less. The territory contained in districts 4 and 19 are slightly greater than the corporate limits in each case.

SCHOOL TAXES

AMOUNT OF LEVY, AND RATE IN MILLS, 1928 TAX LEVY (Spring, 1929)

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District	Asses	ssed	Val.	Amount of-Levy	Rate	in	Mills
No. 4	(Eugene)\$1	4,749	,339.00	\$200,591.01		1	3.6
No. 19	Springfield)	1,598	,878.00	32,777.00		2	0.5
	*C	ount	y Assessa	r.			

TABLE 12

SCHOOL TAXES

*TAX RATE IN MILLS AND TAX PER CENSUS PUPIL—CITIES OF EUGENE AND SPRINGFIELD

1928 TAX LEVY-(Spring 1929

Total Title Day I (Dpling 1929)						
	Tax	Rate in Mills	No. of	Tax per		
City	Actual	Equalized	Census pupils	Census pupil		
Eugene	20.72	19.33	4591	\$66.57		
Springfield	27.62	25.71	731	56.55		

*Oregon Voter, May 18, 1929.

ferring of the present utility property of Table 13 is slightly different. It Eugene. from private to public ownership was prepared by the Oregon Voted, means removing it from the tax rolls. together with tables for every city in NOTICE FOR SALE OF REAL For 1928, the Mountain States Com- thte State, and reveals the tax cost pany paid \$22,710.91 on its Spring-per census pupil for the two cities in field property. The total tax levy for question. It will be noted that Springfield approximated \$86,000. Springfield's pre-census pupil cost is date July 13, 1929, in thte matterof This company, then, paid 26.4% of the approximately \$10.00 less than the the guardianship of Julian F. Miller, cost for Eugene.

HOUSING

EUGENE-HOUSING (Lane Industrial Survey)

An estimate based upon the 1920 and sell at private sale for cash, census and residence building per- bidder in Eugene, \$20,000 in tax payments from the rolls. mits since, checked by the number Oregon, all the right, title and inter There is serious doubt that the re- of residence water connections, in- est of said minor in and to the rea in January, 1928.

probable that the percentage is now part of the City of Eugene, in Lane

in January, 1928. SPRINGFIELD-HOUSING

Table 12 shows the tax levies to- has about 655 houses. The percentto the plan, assuming that the above gether with the rate in mills for dis- age of home ownership approximates technicalities can be overcome. Trans. tricts No. 4 and No. 19. The purpose 63%, in contrast to about 46% for

a minor, the undersigned, the duly appointed, qualified and guardian of said minor and the estate of said minor, will, on and after the 23rd day of September, 1929, offer for cash and credit, to the highest one-half interest therein, to-wit:

In 1920 the percentage of home Block No. Thirty-three (33) in the

Springfield News, first publication being August 22nd, 1929.

ALICE McC. MILLER, A comparison of several reliable Guardian of the person and estate estimates indicates that Springfield of Julian F. Miller, a minor.

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flat rate with 75c minimum and \$3.00 mountains. They left the latter part home by Mrs. Malo. Present at the of last week, specting to visit many function were Mr. and Mrs. Ivan of the lakes to the mountains. Mrs. Male and Miss Grace, Male, who is Charles Myers is running the Novelty here from Portland visiting with her store in their absence.

EIGHTH GRADE EXAMINATIONS

Uniform Eighth Grade examinations will ge given in districts where been made, on Thursday and Fridty, County, Oregon, will pay

E. J. MOORE, Supt.

parents.

CALL FOR WARRANTS

Springfield, Oregon,

August 22, 1929. pupils are entitled to take them and Notice is hereby given that School Lane County, Oregon, has been fixed where application for questions has District No. 19, in Springfield, Lane by said court as the time and place at the of-September 5-6, 1929, according to fice of the Clerk of said District all schedule. A limited number can take warrants to and including No. 525.

W. G. Hughes, Clerk District No. 19.

Here From Blue River-Bert Vinmeters. Nearly all Springfield is on and camping trip in the Cascade M. Male was given Sunday at his day on a business trip to Springfield.

NOTICE OF FINAL HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, Oren C. Davis, administrator with the will annexed of the estate of Fanny E. Ware, deceased has filed his final account in the County Court of Lane County, gon, and that September 23rd, 1929. at ten o'clock in the forenoon there of at the court house in Eugene, for hearing said account and settdement thereof, and for any order that may be proper in the premises. Date them at my office, by letting me Interest ceases after August 22, of first publication August 22nd, 1929.

OREN C. DAVIS, Administrator. ALTA KING, Attorney

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August Sale

Continues

Reductions Ranging from 15% to 50%

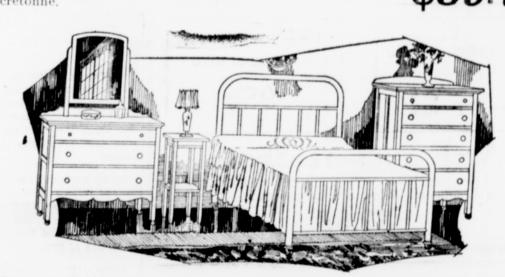
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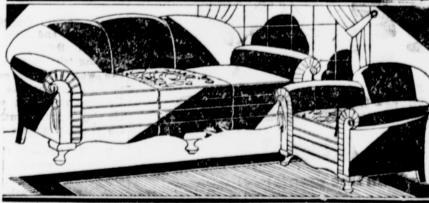
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