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it seems that the foundation of the movement is the outgrowth of a small disagreement between the town-board and some of the residents of the disaffected district and personal matters however important they may seem to the ones interested should not be allowed to influence our actions when subjects of such vital moment to the whole people are under consideration and we hope that every voter will consider the matter impartially, as a citizen of one of the best small towns on the coast, laying aside all prejudice and personal feeling in the matter and on election day cast his vote for that which he believes best for the general good.

## THE BOY SCOUTS

Report of Rev. C. H. Johnston  
Showing Progress Made.

During the winter months a movement known as the Boy Scout movement was originated in this town amongst the boys themselves. 29 signed the roll signifying their willingness to join. The nature and scope of the movement being explained and the requirements being made known, 22 qualified as tenderfeet. Out of this 22 seven have qualified as Second Class Scouts and will receive the certificates and badges as such as soon as they come to hand. The names of the seven are Noble Caughtheran, Charlie Ellis, Ivan Collins, Dar Bagshaw, Herbert Mitchell, Glenn Collins, Albert Mitchell.

Mr. Editor, I wish to take off my hat to these seven boys, because without the usual inducements of candy suppers and social attractions and in the face of a good deal that was discouraging, they have accomplished so much. This true more than seven might have been induced to qualify by introducing a spirit of competition or rivalry, but this is contrary to the spirit of the movement.

The following is the substance of what has been done and ought to encourage others to make better time.

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### THE AMENDMENTS TO THE CHARTER.

The amendments to our charter as published last week comprise practically an entire new charter. The charter as provided in 1860, by acts of the state of Oregon and subsequently amended by the same body has become obsolete and in order to meet the requirements of the conditions existing at the present time it is absolutely necessary that it be thoroughly overhauled and revised, many new provisions, regulations, etc. being added and many of those contained in the old charter altered or amended in order to adapt them to the conditions and requirements of the present time.

The charter proposed by the council, and which will be submitted to a vote of the people on June 21, is in many respects similar to that one voted on and adopted two years ago, but has undergone a careful revision by the city attorney, the mayor and the council and has been pronounced "good," and sufficient for the present needs. Municipal corporations are in many respects similar to constitutions of states or countries: being the organic law upon which other later and more particular and definite laws or ordinances are based; in regard to the manner of their formation and amendment they are also similar to constitutions, in this, that they are largely a product or result of evolution being changed, altered and added to in order to meet the changing conditions within and surrounding their corporate limits. In a city, likewise as in a more extensive field, conditions are constantly changing, improvement and advancement is constantly being made in trade, science, art, education, transportation and in fact in the whole field and scope of human endeavor, and in consequence thereof the charter which was sufficient in 1860, is sadly deficient in 1911, hence the need for the revision and amendment.

The charter submitted to the people for their approval or rejection has been published in the two last preceding issues of The Post, and should be carefully read by every property owner in the city as well as by all those who have the best interests of the town at heart. Each section has been carefully studied and discussed by those who prepared it and the whole has been approved by the mayor and council and by them deemed just and proper as well as necessary for the well-being and prosperity of our city.

It is up to you Mr. Voter, Shall we advance or stand still?

### The Initiative Measure.

The initiative petition, mentioned elsewhere in this paper, proposes amending the charter by changing the present boundaries of the municipality by cutting off about 600 acres on the east end of the city, and if adopted will take off almost one-half of the territory now within the corporate limits.

It can be readily seen that if this amendment carries the income for city purposes will be greatly reduced and the taxes on the property remaining within the corporation will be greatly increased; in other words 50% of the property will have to pay as large a sum as the whole is now paying.

The council have commenced the construction of waterworks and have made arrangements to raise money by selling bonds but if this territory is stricken off the bond buyers will no doubt refuse to take the bonds, for the reason that almost one-half the security is gone.

The promoters of this scheme for dividing the town allege that it is a matter of business with them; that they are trying to get out in order to save paying city taxes, etc. If this is so, it is much more a matter of business with the rest of the property owners to see that this territory is not stricken out; every acre that is cut off from the town will make the other taxpayers pay an additional sum equal to that which the property stricken out would have paid. Yes, it is business pure and simple, the interests of the taxpayers, the residents, and of the town itself, in fact the very existence of the town demand that all property now within the corporate limits be kept therein. The usual custom of municipal corporations as well as the dictates of reason and sound business policy, is to increase rather than decrease the territory within the corporation, and the territory within such corporate limits is very seldom if ever, diminished and then only for good and sufficient reasons which in the present case do not exist.

Some persons inclined to be sentimental say: "A person should be allowed to choose his own company;" that therefore a property owner should have the right to withdraw from the corporation whenever he chooses. If this premise was true, the owners of property could withdraw one by one until only the lot occupied by the city hall was left, such premises are both foolish and erroneous. The question of withdrawing was settled in a national matter about fifty-six years ago and it has become a settled doctrine that in matters of government, "Once in, always in," is the rule.

Again; it has been stated that property should not be annexed or taken into a municipality without first submitting the question to a popular vote. The boundaries as set out in the charter proposed by the council are identical with those described in the charter voted on and adopted by an almost unanimous vote of the people within the said boundaries, on June 24, 1909, so you will notice that objection is without any force whatever. Summing up the whole matter