

NOTICE OF ELECTION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, That on Monday, the 5th day of April, 1915, in the city of Falls City, Polk County, State of Oregon, the ANNUAL GENERAL CITY ELECTION will be held for the purpose of electing the following officers and voting upon the following measures (herein designated by their ballot titles) referred to a vote of the people by the city Council of Falls City, Oregon, to wit:

OFFICERS TO BE ELECTED

1. Mayor
2. Marshal
3. Auditor and Police Judge
4. Councilman-at-large
5. Three Councilmen

MEASURES TO BE VOTED UPON

FOR AN AMENDMENT to Section 5 of the charter of Falls City, changing the date of the general city election from the first Monday in April of each year to the First Monday in December of each year, providing for the expiration of the term of office of certain officials of said city, and providing an annual meeting of the city council on the first Monday in January of each year; and repealing Sections 16 and 23 of the Charter of said city.

Vote Yes or No.

300 YES

301 NO

FOR AN AMENDMENT to the charter of Falls City, Oregon, amending Section 30 of said charter, and providing the time and manner in which ordinances, resolutions, and franchises shall go into effect and become operative, and providing further for the exercise of the initiative and referendum powers within said city.

Vote Yes or No.

302 YES

303 NO

FOR AN AMENDMENT to Section 51 of the Charter of Falls City, giving the city the right to improve streets, alleys and public squares, and providing for the filing of written remonstrances against the making of proposed improvements, and providing for the construction of bridges, and the repair thereof, out of the general fund of said city, and authorizing a tax for that purpose.

Vote Yes or No.

304 YES

305 NO

FOR AN AMENDMENT to Section 63 of the Charter of Falls City, providing for the collection of improvement assessments, and incorporating into the charter of Falls City provisions permitting the payment of improvement assessments, and assessments for laying of sewers, under a bonding act in said amendment provided, and authorizing the issuance of such improvement bonds, such bonding act being patterned after that certain Act of the Legislative Assembly of the State of Oregon commonly known as the "Baneroff Bonding Act".

Vote Yes or No.

306 YES

307 NO

FOR AN AMENDMENT to Section 64 of the Charter of Falls City providing for the collection of delinquent improvement assessments, defining the duties of certain officers, and providing for the manner of executing a warrant issued for the purpose of collecting such delinquent assessments.

Vote Yes or No.

308 YES

309 NO

FOR AN AMENDMENT to sub-division 28 of Section 26 of the Charter of Falls City providing a method for opening, laying out, extending, widening, and straightening, wholly or in part, any street, square or alley within Falls City, and for vacating the same; and providing a method for the appropriation, purchase, and condemnation by said city of real property for street and other public purposes.

Vote Yes or No.

310 YES

311 NO

DIRECTION TO VOTERS: Mark your ballots by placing a cross (X) in the space at the right of the number of the proposition for which you wish to vote.

Said ELECTION will commence at Nine (9:00) O'clock in the morning, of said Monday, the 5th day of April, 1915, and will run until six (6:00) o'clock in the evening of said day, the polls being closed, however, between the hours of one (1:00)

o'clock in the afternoon of said day and two (2:00) o'clock in the afternoon of said day.

The City Council of Falls City, Oregon, has appointed the following Judges and Clerks of Election, and designated the following place within said city of Falls City as polling place for said election, to wit:

JUDGES OF ELECTION:—J. R. Moyer, D. L. Wood, Mrs. A. E. Seymour.

CLERKS OF ELECTION:—G. D. Treat, Mrs. Wm. Hinshaw.
POLLING PLACE:—Council Chambers, (Office of Falls City News.)

Dated at Falls City, Polk County, Oregon, this 24th day of March A. D. 1915.

[L. S.]

G. O. CLEMENT,
Auditor and Police Judge
of Falls City, Oregon.

The Claimant
By EUNICE BLAKE

On the estate of Lucien Marivaud, in France, lived a poor man named Soubise and his wife, Marie, the couple having a little son, Francois. M. Marivaud had extensive vineyards, from the product of which he manufactured wine. Soubise had charge of the grape growing, and Marivaud not only valued his services highly, but was very fond of him. Soubise's wife died, and he soon followed her, leaving little Francois without a home.

M. Marivaud had a son, Victor, about Francois' age. When the latter was left an orphan he was taken to the chateau and became a playmate of Victor. There was a brother of Victor, Louis, much younger than either of these two boys.

When Victor was eighteen he entered the military school and became an army officer. Upon graduating he was ordered to join his regiment in Tonkin. Francois was anxious to see service and, enlisting in the same regiment, went out with Victor, who agreed to interest himself in his promotion that he might become an officer.

A year later after a fight Lieutenant Marivaud was reported missing. This meant that he had fallen into the hands of the Chinese, in which case it was quite likely that he had been murdered. When nothing was heard from him for several years he was given up by his family, and when his brother, Louis, came of age he inherited the family patrimony, his father having died without a will. M. Marivaud had purposely omitted to make one because he never ceased to hope that his son would one day turn out to be among the living.

Ten years after the departure of Victor Marivaud, when there was no member of the family living, Louis, who had for some time possessed and managed the wine business, became engaged to Hortense Villaret, the daughter of a neighbor. Mlle. Villaret belonged to an aristocratic family, but the estate had been confiscated during one of the many changes in the sovereignty of France, and she was very poor. She and Louis were much in love with each other, and her father favored the match because Louis was wealthy and could enable Hortense to return to the style of living to which the family had formerly been accustomed.

All went happily for the lovers till a few weeks before the day set for the wedding. Then one day a man appeared at the chateau claiming to be Victor Marivaud. Louis was but twelve years old when his brother left home, and, granting that this man was Victor, he would not have remembered him. There was no other person at hand who had been familiar with Victor to identify him.

But the claimant was able to tell of many incidents that had happened on the estate, which went far to prove that he was what he claimed to be. He explained his long absence in this wise: During the fight in which he was reported missing he was knocked on the head by the butt of a musket in the hands of a Chinaman and stunned. When he came to himself he remembered nothing of the past, not even his name. The dead were lying about him; the wounded had been removed. He arose and walked till he came to a city, where he eventually entered the service of a French merchant. After passing through various vicissitudes he was taken suddenly ill and was removed to a hospital. After having been delirious on returning to his former condition he had exclaimed, "You rascally Chinaman, take that for yours!" But seeing a nurse before him instead of a Chinaman he appeared much surprised. He had returned to a normal state, remembering that he was Victor Marivaud.

His appearance was a terrible blow to the lovers, for, according to the French law of inheritance, Victor Marivaud was the owner of the estate, including the wine business. He told Louis so many things that had occurred during the latter's childhood that

Louis became convinced that the stranger was his brother. Nevertheless it was not to be expected that he would be pleased to see a brother of whom he had no remembrance and who would dispossess him of his property. But the severest blow was that M. Villaret immediately withdrew his consent to his daughter's marriage unless it could be proved that the claimant was an impostor.

There was an old blind woman living on the place, who, on hearing of the claimant, desired that he be brought to her. She asked him a few questions, which seemed to trouble him, though he answered them correctly. Then the old woman directed that he be uncovered to the waist. This was done, and her hand was guided to his chest. She slid her hand around to his side under his right arm, and it rested on a small lump the size of a pea.

"This is Francois Soubise," she said. "I lived with his mother when he was a little boy and often dressed and undressed him. I know him by this lump."

That ended the pretense. Louis Marivaud after this attempt to impose on him went to Tonkin and made a search for his brother, Victor. But, although he spent much time on the matter, he failed to obtain any information whatever. Victor never returned.

Good house for sale in Falls City, part time. Enquire at News office.

Correspondents wanted in every neighborhood in this section of the country.

REAL ESTATE FOR SALE

No. 1. 7 1/2 acres adjoining Falls City on County road. Good 7-room house, city water; barn and chicken park; young orchard in bearing, small fruit. All fenced and 3 1/2 acres in cultivation. No waste land. Time on part.

No. 2. 80 acres mountain land, 1 1/4 miles out on County road. 25 acres in cultivation, 20 acres big second-growth fir. Good 5-room house, barn, outbuildings. Fruit, and berries; 125 prune trees. Also, good team, wagon, harness and some household goods. Will give time on part.

No. 3. 35 acres near town. 15 in cultivation. Good 8-room house barn and henhouse. Bearing orchard. Some good second-growth fir. Time on part.

No. 4. 10 acres 1/2 mile from town; all fenced, 8 1/2 in cultivation, 6-room house partly finished, good barn. Can be bought at a bargain.

No. 5. 160 acres in Lincoln Co., 5 miles from railroad, on County road. Small cabin and barn; 4 acres in cultivation and 60 more can be cultivated. 350 3-year old English walnut trees. Good spring that would furnish fine water power. School 1/2 mile, 8 month term with contract for two more years. This will make an ideal stock and dairy ranch and can be bought at a bargain. Terms.

No. 6. 153 acres near town. Good house and barn. Will sell all or divide to suit buyer.

No. 8. Two good 8-room houses and lots. some fruit trees with

CITY TICKET FOR FALLS CITY

For Mayor Vote for ONE

12 H. J. GRIFFIN

13 J. C. TALBOTT

14 ALBERT TEAL

15 R. VANDENBOSCH

For Councilman-at-Large Vote for ONE

16 R. M. WONDERLY

For Auditor & Police Judge Vote for ONE

17 G. O. CLEMENT

18 C. E. McPHERREN

19 S. R. SKEELS

For Marshal Vote for ONE

20 O. AURLAND

21 F. L. MARTIN

22 L. T. MURPHY

For Councilmen Vote for THREE

23 C. J. BRADLEY

24 F. DROEGE

25 C. L. HOPKINS

26 I. G. SINGLETON

27 W. B. STEVENS

one. These are among the most desirable residences in the city. They are of modern construction and desirably located. Reasonable terms on part if desired. Will sell one or both.

No. 9. 20 acres 1/4 miles from town. Good 6-room house and outbuildings. 15 acres in cultivation; 1 1/2 acres in apples, 2 1/2 acres in peaches, cherries, pears and strawberries. Plenty of wood for fuel.

No. 10. Six lots 50x150, three room house, hen house, some fruit and strawberries. Cash and terms.

No. 11. 130 acre ranch, 60 acres in cultivation, 25 in timber balance slashed. 12 acres in hops. Good house and hop house, barn and other outbuildings.

No. 12. 17 acres, 10 in cultivation, 5 room house, barn and chicken house. Two springs, water piped to house, hot and cold water and bath. 6 acres in young orchard. 2 acres big second growth fir. Spring affords water sufficient to irrigate one-half of the land. This land lays just outside of the city limits of Falls City. A bargain.

No. 13. 12 acres 1 1/4 miles from town, all under fence and in cultivation; 8-room house and barn. This place can be sold one-third cash, purchaser to assume mortgage now on the place. Can give you a bargain.

For further information, call on or write to

D. L. Wood,
Falls City, Oreg.