

SEVENTY-FIFTH YEAR

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Pioneer Day Execution Is Declared To Be Holiday and Schools Closed

Trial of Beale and Baker Provides Entertainment for All Settlers Within Salem District; Hanging on May 17, 1865

The article in The Statesman of Sunday, May 17, by "Old Timer," relative to the trial and execution of Beale and Baker, was interesting and quite accurate. A few more details concerning this remarkable trial and matters correlative thereto might prove of interest.

What became of all the gold old man Delaney was known to possess at his farm home remains still a mystery. N. T. Caton, the principal lawyer for the defense, suffered so much obloquy for his connection with the case that he subsequently moved to Walla Walla, and died there at the age of over 90 years.

David Logan, however, one of the lawyers for the defense, received the republican nomination for congress three years after, but was unsuccessful, being defeated by Jos. S. Smith, democratic nominee by 1200. W. L. Adams, a leader in the pioneer days of republicanism for Oregon, bitterly assailed the candidacy of Logan in 1868. Logan refused to support the republican ticket in 1870 and was characterized by H. W. Scott of the Oregonian as the "prince of ingrates." Logan had been the candidate at three different times on the Republican ticket and was unsuccessful in every instance.

The old wooden court house was entirely too small to accommodate the throng that clamored for admission to the trial of Beale and Baker, and the court was adjourned to meet in Griswold's theatre in Griswold's block, now known as the Murphy building or Capitol hotel. During the proceedings a small size panic took place in the theatre owing to the false cry that the building was collapsing, and subsequent proceedings were held in the legislative hall in what then was known as the Holman building. The criminals, however, were sentenced to the gallows by Judge Boise in the court house building. Beale and his companion were convicted on purely circumstantial evidence, not a link, however, was missing in the chain of evidence. No appeal was taken from the verdict and the prisoners were executed on May 17, 1865. The crime was committed January 9 previously.

An enormous crowd was present in Salem on the day of the execution. I was then a pupil in the Salem district school, and the principal, D. C. Pearson, declared a holiday for the occasion. Dr. J. W. Meredith, then a drayman and truckman, drove the "death bus" containing the condemned men to the place of execution. When all hope was gone, Beale and Baker both confessed that they were guilty of the crime of murder, and their printed confessions in pamphlet form were sold on the streets of Salem on the morning of the execution by Frederick Schwatka and Miles M. Miller, two youths announcing that the proceedings would go to the widows, although Mrs. Beale and Mrs. Baker did not become widows until later in the day. Theodore Geer, afterwards governor of Oregon, was living with the Beale family at the time of the murder, working for his board while attending Willamette university. This incident, of course, ended Geer's school days at Willamette.

I do not think that the old politicians entirely agreed with the statement that the result of the trial was altogether the cause of sending the prosecuting attorney, Rufus Mallory to congress. It is true that Mallory received quite a reputation for his skill in handling the case, but there was something else which led to his political distinction in 1866. The republican convention met in Corvallis in the spring of the latter year. The majority of the delegates really intended to confer the nomination for congress upon Dr. Wilson Bowby of Forest Grove and to nominate I. R. Moores of Salem for governor, but some of Mallory's friends earnestly pleaded for a complimentary vote for their man, with the result that so many "complimentaries" were cast for Mallory that he obtained a majority vote. This surprising result automatically removed Moores from consideration for the gubernatorial office, and his name was not brought before the convention, although the majority of the delegates were favorable to him.

A. C. Gibbs, then governor, was not seeking a renomination, as he was at that time an avowed candidate for the United States senatorship.

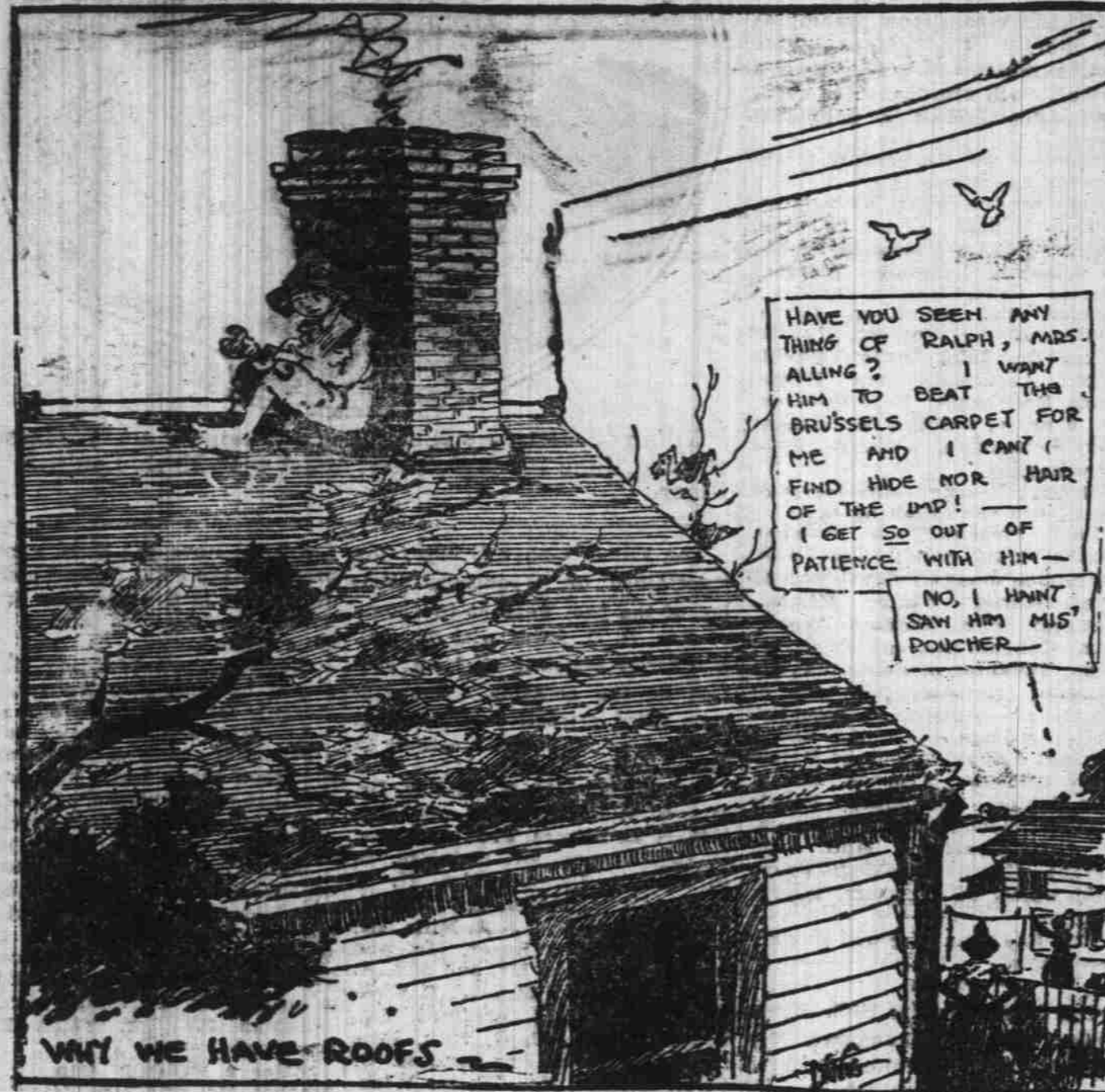
Samuel E. May and E. N. Cooke, both from Salem, were candidates for the renomination, respectively for secretary of state and state treasurer, and it was conceded to them unanimously. To have given the nomination for governor to a Salem man, thus placing on the ticket four nominees for the principal offices from Marion county, would have proven bad politics and was entirely out of the question. We surely would have then heard the cry of "The Salem Hog."

George L. Woods came as delegate to the convention from The Dalles with no thought of becoming a candidate for any office, but the nomination for governor was unexpectedly bestowed upon him and he was elected by a narrow margin, although some of the leading democrats of the state contended that the candidate, James K. Kelly, was counted out, and at the session of the legislature of 1868, when they controlled both branches, they endeavored to have the matter reopened and a recount made, but the republican members thwarted this movement by resigning in a body and leaving no quorum to transact business. Dr. Bowby and H. W. Scott in after years had bitter newspaper controversy, the inception of which quarrel was a failure for Dr. Bowby to receive the nomination for congress in 1866. Governor Woods was impetuous to call a session of legislature to pass the urgent appropriation bills, but resolutely refused to do so. The taxes from the different counties, in the meantime, kept rolling into the state treasury and an enormous surplus was accumulated by E. N. Cooke, the state treasurer. The situation was not relieved until the legislature met in 1870, when the democratic party assumed full sway.

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SCHOOL DAYS By DWIG



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More are Added Every Few Months; Attention Is Called to Fine Service

The local office of the Western Union Telegraph office has over 50 different kinds of stickers, which are used on different instruments of communication. So successful have the stickers been that special mention was made in

a recent number of the "Mailbag." Every few months the Western Union introduces new stickers to the number although at Christmas time four colors were considered necessary.

The stickers are used primarily to tell a sales story, which they usually do with force. One sticker calls attention to the speed of transmission of that particular telegram, another suggests the sending or collecting of money by telegraph; another urges the recording of supplies by wire between the salesman's calls; whatever the message, it is a repetition of the

basic thought that time is money and the way to save time is to telegraph. The stickers are now a permanent part of modern business-getting plans.

CONCLUDE HEARINGS

WASHINGTON, May 27 —(By The Associated Press)—The special senate committee which has been investigating the internal revenue bureau with particular attention to its administration of income tax matters and prohibition enforcement plans to conclude its hearings Friday.

McKINLEY BRIEFS

By BERTHA BABCOCK

The Latin club picknicked in Bush's pasture Monday evening. Miss May Hale head of the department chaperoned this most enjoyable affair. The next meeting, which will be the last one for this year will be held next Monday.

A high percentage of the pupils responded to the privilege of examinations offered by the Marion County Health Demonstration.

The following pupils at McKinley have been neither absent nor tardy for two years: Ina Adams, Roy Lafkey, Austin Gardner, Russell Gardner, Frederick Edmondson and Esther Heckart. They will receive the school monogram. Others who have been neither tardy nor absent during the present year will receive the school letter.

Pupils showing a weakness in a subject may be transferred to the study coach class at any time and so in nearly all cases avoid non-promotion at the close of the term.

Mr. James Smart, the Harry Lauder of the Apollo club, has promised to appear soon before the joint nine-A classes in connection with the study of Scott's Lady of the Lake.

The nine-A classes will give "His Waterloo," a short one act play, for one number and their closing program Tuesday evening, June 9.

The girls' gym classes are learning several new dances for the annual Field Day. The boys are practicing pole vaulting, the broad jump and many other athletic stunts that look quite wonderful to the girls.

The nine-A shop boys, accompanied by Mr. Foster, visited the shops at the Oregon Agricultural college Wednesday, and report a most wonderful and enjoyable time. They were invited to lunch at the school cafeteria, and had a fine swim in the tank.

A fine frame steel engraving of the Horse Fair by Rosa Bonheur was presented to the school this week by Mrs. Dan Fay, Sr.

A paper weight containing the picture of President McKinley and an unmounted picture of our martyr president was presented by Mrs. Laughenridge, whose husband served with McKinley in the Civil War.

Salem residential property is in one of the greatest booms ever known in the district. Prosperity is rapidly becoming evidenced. Boost for Salem.

Idaho Votes for Bible Reading in Its School

Boise, Idaho.—Daily reading of passages from the Bible in the public schools of Idaho is provided for in a bill which recently passed the Idaho legislature and was signed by the governor. The law requires the teacher to read daily from twelve to twenty verses from the standard American version of the Bible, such verses to be selected from a list of passages designated from time to time by the state board of education. No comment by the teacher is allowed. If children ask question on the verses they must be referred to their parents. A bill providing for the release of pupils from school to receive religious instruction was defeated.

Idaho thus follows closely on the heels of Florida, who recently enacted a similar law. The movement failed in Ohio, however, when Governor Donahey vetoed the bill.

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- Holmes and Edwards Plate, 26 Pieces for \$32.10; delivered for \$1.
- Community Silver Plate 26 Piece Sets for \$30.50; pay \$1 down and \$1 week.
- Mantel Clocks with Candlesticks featured at \$12.45; pay \$1 down.
- Westminster Chime Clocks featured at \$49.50; pay \$1 down, \$1 week.
- Electric Percolators featured at \$22.50; pay \$1 down, \$1 week.

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In the Famous City of Nancy
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Photo Courtesy Maxwell and Chrysler Motor Corporations

A Famous Triumphal Arch

IN the City of Nancy, 219 miles east of Paris, American motorists are always attracted to the famous triumphal arch erected by Stanislas in honor of Louis XV. This arch leads from the Place Stanislas to the Place Carriere. It is in Nancy that one may see

the famous group of Palaces built by the King of Poland in the year 1000. It was there that Marie Antoinette lived in 1791 and Marie Louise in 1810.

Nancy attracts many motorists. It is a city encircled by vineyards and entered by seven gates.

Ye towne crier

THE picturesque town crier in knickerbockers, three-cornered hat and with insistent bell has passed into history. The daily newspaper has taken his place. Multiplied him. Amplified him. It is the great broadcaster of news today—vital, irreplaceable.

Where the town crier told dozens, the modern newspaper tells thousands. Tells them more. Tells them in the quiet of their homes, offices and shops. Not only news of current events, but news of merchandise to be had at the stores.

Get that enlarged meaning of the word "news." Advertisements are news. They keep you abreast of the newest developments in science and manufacture. They are trail-blazers of progress. They are confidential secretaries to the family exchequer.

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