

Albany, Feb. 27th '56

Dear Bush:-

I have only time to say, that I read your letter. A thousand thanks for your kindness. I will pay you- it shall be "convenient".

The President's message is all "O.K." Nay, 'tis glorious- so glorious that it atones for a hundred bad appointments and the retaining in office an other hundred wretched appointees!

I deeply regret your forgetfulness as to the publication of the fact that I would address the people in Albany on the 8th proximo. But the word has gone out and I must talk.

I have received, and am daily receiving, numerous invitations to address the people on the subject of "Convention." Instead of--as a retired Legislator- enjoying otium cum dignitate, I am plowing, sowing, making fence, &c, &c.

Will you announce in the next Statesman the following:-?  
Discussion of the Convention Question.

In pursuance of an invitation of the people Hon. Delazon Smith will address the people of Albany, at the Court House, on Saturday, March 8th, at one o'clock P.M.

Also, the people of Corvallis and Benton county by invitation on Tuesday, March 11th, in the Court House, at one o'clock P.M.

Also at Silverton, Marion County, on Saturday, the 15th of March. At Peonia Precinct, in Linn County, on Saturday, the 22d of March, at the place of voting, at one o'clock P.M. And on Saturday, the 29th day of March, at Brown's store (where the candidates spoke at the last election) in the Forks of the Santiam, on Saturday, the 5th day of April, also, at one o'clock P.M.

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Will you announce in the next Sta-  
tesman the following:-

Discussion of the Conventions Question.

In pursuance of an invitation of the people Hon. DeLozon Smith will address the people of Albany, at the Court House, on Saturday, March 8<sup>th</sup>, at one o'clock P. M. by invitation,  
Also, the people of Cornwall's and Rensselaer County on

Tuesday, March 11<sup>th</sup> at the Court House, at one o'clock P. M.

Also, at Silverton, Marion County, on Saturday, the 15<sup>th</sup> of March. ~~And~~ At Provia Precinct, in Sims County, on Saturday, the 22<sup>nd</sup> of March, at the place of voting, at one o'clock P. M. And on Saturday, the 29<sup>th</sup> day of March, at Brown's Store (where the Candidates spoke at the last election) in the Forks of the Saustrum, on

Saturday, the 5<sup>th</sup> day of April, also, at one o'clock P. M. <sup>He will speak at intervals</sup> ~~at any intermediate~~ <sup>being with the</sup> ~~at any intermediate~~ <sup>points, on the route, if I can without</sup>

interfering with the above appointments. If we had one month longer time I could stone hell on this question. The knave nothing, and abolitionists and byes who have just waked up to give us fits!

So "Standhard" to-day, you do right to open up upon Arvey - as the left power of Pratt is at the bottom of affairs just now. Let's rip them in the bud!

God willing I will give him a baby waked on the 11<sup>th</sup> proximo!

Ever yours,

DeLozon Smith