

I testified in support of SB 888 at the Public Hearing on March 27. My testimony is on the video record in support of SB 888.

I testified on my own behalf but noted that I support a resolution before the Washington County Democrats in April to support a requirement for POTUS and VPOTUS release of tax records. I did not submit written testimony at the hearing.

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## A History of Oregon, 1792-1849

William Henry Gray

On the 15th of August, in the midst of business under the order of the day, Mr. Applegate came in, apparently under considerable excitement, and in quite an earnest manner asked that the rule be suspended, to allow him to present a bill to prevent dueling. No immediate or pressing reason was assigned, but from the earnest manner of Mr. Applegate, and from what a number of the members knew, or pretended to know, the rule was suspended, Mr. Applegate's bill to prevent dueling read first time ; rule further suspended, his bill read by title second and third time and passed, and on his further motion, a special messenger, P. G. Stewart, Esq., was sent with it to the governor, for his approval and signature ; and in half an hour's time from its introduction and reading in the house it became a law in this vast country, bounded by the Russian possessions on the north, the Rocky Mountains on the east, California on the south, and the Pacific on the west.

Not long after this law on dueling was passed, it was discovered that a young man by the name of Holderness had considered himself insulted and slandered by some report said to have originated with Dr. White, Holderness was about to send him a challenge, or at least there was a prospect that they might fight, if either of them had the courage to do so. This law gave the doctor an honorable excuse to decline the challenge, and have Holderness indicted and punished for sending it. This matter was engineered through so handsomely by Mr. Applegate, that Dr. White expressed himself highly gratified and pleased.

On the next day, the 12th, Mr. Applegate was honoi-ed with an important dispatch from Di'. White, which he presented in due form, together with a resolution of thanks to Dr. White, and an order w^as entered on the journal to have the doctor's communication filed for publication. This was not exactly what the doctor wanted, as the sequel will show. He had found that Applegate had the talent and influence requisite to carry through the resolutions necessary to accomplish his purposes.