

# ELGIN MAIL IS DELAYED

(Special to The Observer)  
 ELGIN, Mar. 29.—Elgin began a series of revival services at the Methodist church Sunday. Rev. Osborn, the drummer evangelist, will conduct the services. He will be aided in the matter of the children's chorus by his daughter, Mrs. Backus. Rev. Osborn has splendid recommendations, and all hope for a splendid revival of interest in religious affairs.

B. F. Owsley was in town Saturday. He is from La Grande and is the local grain buyer for Kerr, Gifford & Co., of Portland.

The mail carrier on Route No. 2, which runs north and west of town, has not been over his entire route for several days. On one day he was able to reach only five of the mail boxes.

James Kirkens and James Gekeler were in Elgin Saturday from their homes five and six miles out of Crick-et Flat. They say that, due to the melting of the snow and the presence of big drifts in the road, that it is almost impossible to travel. Many people are compelled to make part of the trip by sled and part by wagon. For Fish Trap Hill has been bare of snow for several weeks.

There is a rumor to the effect that Elgin is to have a new postmaster. O. C. Maxwell is spoken of as the possible successor to David Blumenstein. If he receives the appointment, everyone feel certain that Mr. Maxwell will also prove an efficient postmaster.

Mrs. Bernal Hug and Philip were passengers on Thursday's delayed train to La Grande, where she will visit with friends and attend to business matters. She was accompanied by her brother, Claude Holbrook.

The high school play, "The Sophomore," was given in the Opera House Friday evening to a well-filled house. The members of the company showed that much work had been put on their parts, and the little play was well put on.

The branch train was on time Saturday night for the first time for several days past. It has been held up by slides in the canyon north of Elgin.

The country has taken on a decidedly spring-like appearance within the past few days. Buttercups have been in bloom in favored locations for nearly two weeks.

Andrew Christianson, Elgin's weather prophet, was in town Saturday from his farm north of town. He warns us that cold weather is to be expected near the last of this month. He has been taking care of a large flock of China Pheasants during the winter but they have nearly all left now, only a few come back to be fed.

Various contracts for the grading of the highway south of town have been let and the contractors are preparing to go to work as soon as the weather will permit.

A. R. Wakefield of the high school faculty left on Friday for a trip to Portland.

Mrs. Thomas Yates was a business visitor to La Grande over last weekend.

The George Biekle family expect to leave Elgin very soon to make their home in Haines. Mr. Biekle has charge of the maintenance of way work there. He has held a similar position in Elgin for quite a long period.

Oscar Bendshadler returned from Eugene on Thursday. He has been spending the past winter with his parents there, but has returned to assist his brother, Ben, on their farm on Cricket Flat.

The young people of the Christian church held a party at the home of their Sunday school superintendent, Mrs. O. E. Ryder, on Saturday evening. The young people of the Epworth League were their invited guests.

Attorney Jesse Crum was a passenger on Friday morning's train.

An important meeting of the Women's Improvement Club was held on last Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. H. H. Hug. Although the weather was very disagreeable, a

large number of members was in attendance and much business was transacted. H. H. Weatherpoon was guest during the afternoon from the Ad Club to ask the co-operation of the women with the Ad Club and American Legion Auxiliary, in establishing a memorial for Elgin's young World War veterans. A committee was appointed to confer with committees from the other clubs. Delicious cake and coffee was served at the close of a delightful afternoon.

Lawrence Graham of La Grande spent Sunday with friends in Elgin.

Mrs. Ed Gordon of Rinehart spent the week-end with friends and relatives in Elgin. She was also an attendant of "The Sophomore," in which her son, Wiley, played an important part.

The K. of P. lodge held a meeting of interest Tuesday night. Frank Baker of Vicent was given the third degree and others the first. The usual Pythian feed followed the session.

Wm. Wade's pool hall is now open and has a large patronage although the complete stock has not yet arrived.

## ALICEL NOTES

(Special to The Observer)  
 ALICEL, Mar. 29.—Mrs. W. R. Gekeler, who has been very ill the past two weeks is somewhat improved.

The community was shocked to hear of the death of Mrs. Arthur Webster Saturday morning. Every family joins in expressing their sympathy to Mr. Webster and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Playle and granddaughter, Helena May Rosendbaum, of La Grande were guests at the home of Carl Fuller Sunday.

Mrs. M. A. Brown and daughter, Verdie, returned to Alicel Sunday after a week's stay in La Grande. They were accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Randall and son Clarence.

Hazel Martin of Imbler, was a guest of Cleo Shelton last week.

H. R. McKennon spent a few days in Haines with his sister, Mrs. Chas. Wright, last week.

Mrs. Sam Ruckman, Mr. and Mrs. J. Rossen, Elmer Rector, and Walter Phillips were passengers to La Grande Friday evening.

## LEAGUE GIVES PARTY IN COVE

(Special to The Observer)  
 COVE, Mar. 29.—R. J. Baker and son, Claude, were Union visitors Friday for dental work.

John Knutson and family are preparing to go to the southern states. They will leave about the first of May and will go in their car.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Hallmark have adopted a 2-year-old girl from a Portland home.

Geo. Miller returned from his Portland trip last Saturday.

A. L. Becker and wife made a business trip to La Grande this week.

Thos. Williams and wife will leave for their home in Canada on Thursday.

C. A. Becker of Walla Walla visited in this vicinity last week.

L. V. Johnson and family spent Sunday with the A. L. Becker family.

Four inches of snow fell last Thursday, lasting until Saturday and making the roads bad again.

The Epworth League gave a hard time party at the church on Saturday night. All enjoyed a pleasant evening.

## DESERTER SOUGHT.

PORTLAND, Mar. 29.—Dufur Post No. 48 American Legion is seeking the whereabouts of Lloyd F. Gray, an ex-service man who disappeared from his home in Portland, Oregon, last November, leaving a wife and child.

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# WEATHER GOOD AT MEDICAL

(Special to The Observer)  
 MEDICAL SPRINGS, Mar. 29.—Spring has made its appearance at last, and the sheep men are certainly glad as they have hay only to feed until the first of April.

John Wanker and son, Fred, returned home on Saturday's stage from Baker. Fred was considerably improved.

Mrs. Farley of Joseph, was a passenger on Wednesday's stage, from Union. She is visiting friends.

J. R. Wanker is doing considerable improving on the Woodson property. He has torn part of the house down and moved another and joined it on, and also built a bedroom and porch and other improvements.

Frank Turner of Baker was a passenger on Monday's stage. He came out to spend a few days with home folks.

A. Cummins of Kirby, Wyoming, is visiting at the home of J. F. Kennedy.

Miss Vera Wirth has returned home after spending the winter in Baker.

W. Myers and Cy Turner prominent residents of Medical Springs were Baker visitors Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Haller entertained at dinner Sunday. Mr. W. Dutcan and family, Mr. J. R. Wanker and family, Mr. and Mrs. T. Wellington and Mrs. J. Dunson.

Bob Wanker is busy these days getting ready for a bear hunt as he received two fine hunting dogs from Cottage Grove. Bob expects to get all the bear in the mountains this spring, which is good news to the cattle and sheep men.

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Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Burnett gave a birthday dinner at their home on Sunday in honor of the birthday of little Wayne Sullivan and Mrs. Ray Noyes, whose birthdays fell on the 18th and 19th of the month, respectively.

Hay is selling for \$10 a ton here and very little is to be had at that price. Straw is about \$2 a load.

The dance at the J. S. Rose home last Saturday night was enjoyed much an most of the Starkey folks were out. Johnny Dixon and Jerry Davis of Hilgard were also out.

Ira Wilson and Vincent Emmetsek spent Sunday at Sol Tvidt's.

Johnny Dixon spent Sunday with the Fred Haggy family.

# IMPRISONED FOR ASSASSINATION

(By Associated Press)  
 LISBON, Mar. 29.—About 20 soldiers, sailors and civilians have been imprisoned on charges of being connected with assassination of leading government officials last October. The investigation of the crimes continues, but the identity of the superior officers who are supposed to have ordered the assassinations or at least to have per-

mitted them have not been discovered.

"Golden Tooth," one of the soldiers implicated has taken to making scenes in court when he is called to be questioned. He has repeatedly declared that if he had a weapon he would kill himself. To test his courage the judge arranged that an unloaded revolver should be placed on a table near where he sat in

the courtroom and when he made the usual threat the judge said: "Well, do so, there is a pistol near."

"Golden Tooth," hesitated and then took up the weapon, pointed it against his temple and laid it on the table, saying that he thought better of it.

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## HAY SCARGE IN STARKEY REGION

(Special to The Observer)  
 STARKEY, Mar. 29.—A snow storm raged several days last week and made the outlook for spring look very much discouraged. The farmers are short of hay and the three days of spring weather followed by this storm rather dampened their enthusiasm.

G. F. Haggy was unable to get over the Russel grade with the mail last week on account of a snowslide. He went by pack horse the following day.

Alvin Thornburg also was unable to get over the road and had to unload a load of farm implements he was taking to Hilgard for J. S. Rose.

Mr. Rose went to Gibbon Tuesday evening.

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