

LAUNDRESS' DEATH REMOVES A UNIQUE LOCAL CHARACTER

First Families of Portland Were Among Patrons of Late Mme. Esther Goffin;

EXPRESS TRADE FEATURE

Even Garments Received From Far Off Cities Were Cleaned Here and Returned to Their Owners.

With the death of Mme. Esther Goffin at her home at No. 746 Upshur street last week, there passed one of the most celebrated laundresses of the country.

A large part of her busy life was spent in Portland, where her attention to the little intimate details of laundering brought her fame and, for a time, prosperity.

Madame Goffin was 76 years old. She was born in Paris, in November, 1840. She came to America while yet a young matron, reaching Philadelphia in 1875. She crossed the continent to San Francisco, where she lived and worked for a year and then came to Portland in 1878, starting the famous Parisian laundry in a building at Sixth and Washington, now at the heart of Portland's business life.

Prominent Families Patrons. Subsequently she moved her establishment to Eleventh and Everett streets, where she conducted it until advancing age and infirmity overcame her strength.

Portland's first families were among her patrons. She at no time catered to the "family washing," but devoted her time and talents exclusively to the finest work. It is said of her that on one occasion, when she was called upon to launder a fine dress, all ruffly and lacy and replete with frills, she presented a bill for \$12. The bill was paid without comment or protest.

While her fame was at its height, Madame Goffin used to receive by mail and express packages of soiled garments from far off cities, which she would cleanse and return. Many of her patrons lived as far away as New York City and she delighted in handling the fine gowns and linens of the people of fashion.

Employed 40 People. During her heyday, Madame Goffin employed as many as 40 people, women and Chinese, to do the actual labor of her establishment. She supervised every little job, however, and permitted nothing inferior to leave her hands.

During her life she acquired some property, but in her later years most of it was dissipated through the illnesses that beset her. French Consul C. Henri Labbe has been looking after her business affairs for some time, but her later years were lonely years. For in Portland were no kin. Her daughter, Mrs. Terramore, resides in San Francisco, and her son, August Plumas, was last heard of in Paris. A few friends still were left, however, among them F. Robie, a Parisian also, who for more than a year has been caring for her.

The funeral was held on Thursday.

Columbia Highway Spectacle Is Praised

Scenery Even Better Than That of Famous Fjords of Norway, Declares Leading Boston Attorney.

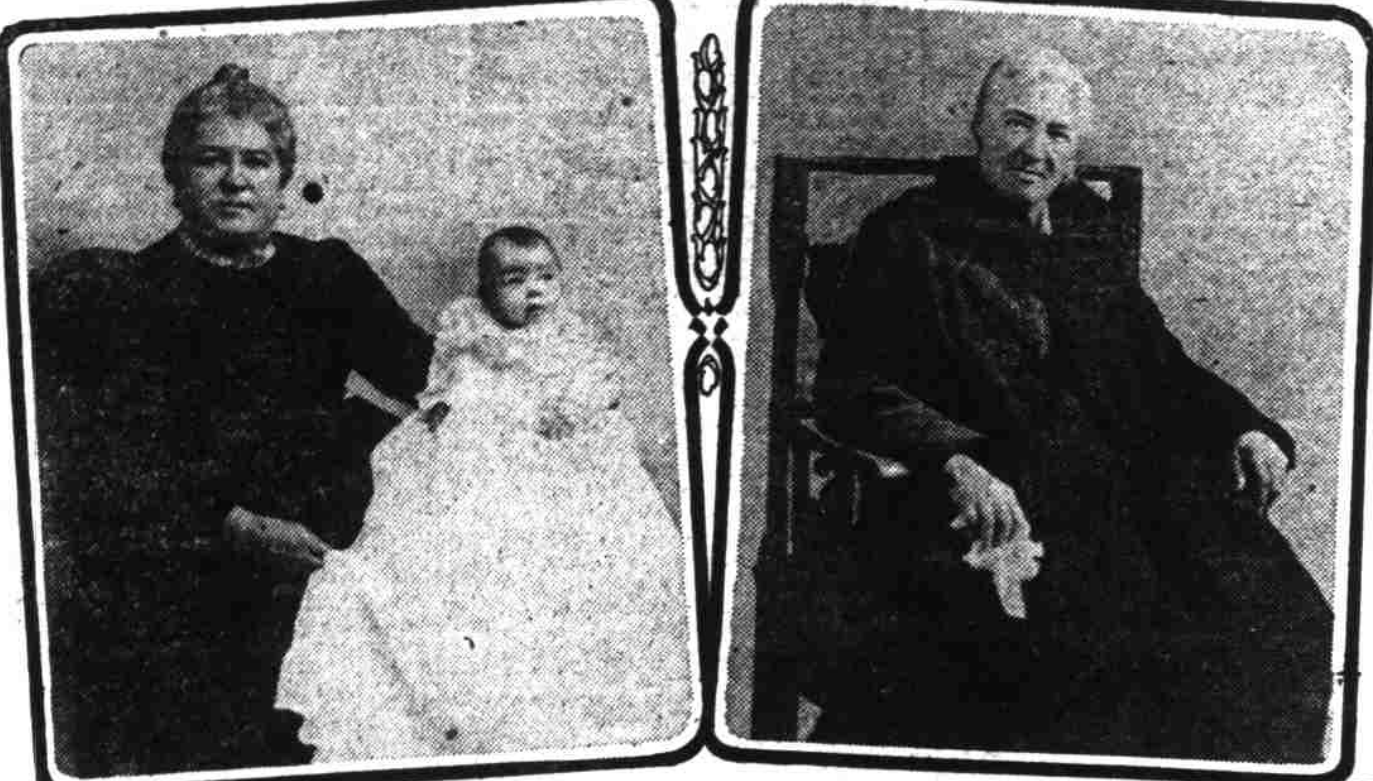
Comparing the Columbia river highway with some of the precipitous drives along the fjords of Norway, Ralph Sylvester Bartlett, a prominent lawyer of Boston, said the panorama of mountain, cataract and river made up the most magnificent spectacle he had ever beheld.

"I have motored over practically all the famous highways of Europe," said Mr. Bartlett, "and in fact came to Portland for no other purpose than to make the journey up the Columbia gorge. I was fairly staggered by the magnificence of the view. Although I had heard much about it, I had no conception of what grandeur it really possessed."

If the Columbia river highway were as near to Boston or New York as it is to Portland, Mr. Bartlett said, it would be traveled by millions instead of merely thousands.

"We made the trip yesterday and I made an informal count of the automobiles," said Mr. Bartlett. "I esti-

MME. GOFFIN MADE LAUNDRY WORK A STUDY IN FINE ARTS



imated that 2000 cars were there. Averaging five persons to the car, that makes 10,000 people who traveled the highway yesterday. The road was just comfortably filled. It should have been crowded—and it will be sometime."

The visitor was accompanied by Dr. and Mrs. Cook of New York, who went to San Francisco today. Mr. Bartlett left Monday for Prince Rupert, B. C., and will return east via the Grand Trunk and the eastern lines.

\$20,000 Is Bid for Never Used Hospital

Building Constructed as Sop to Aberdeen and Hoquiam for Courthouse at Montesano, Was "White Elephant."

Aberdeen, Wash., Oct. 24.—Twenty thousand dollars was offered by Dr. Overmeyer Monday, for the county hospital when it was put up at auction. The building was built, it is said, as a sop to Hoquiam and Aberdeen for the building at Montesano of a court house that cost \$200,000.

It has never been occupied though it cost the taxpayers \$75,000. The bid was taken under consideration. Appointments of other hospitals is said to be reason for its non-use.

Bernard Healy Is Dead.

Los Angeles, Cal., Oct. 24.—(P. N. S.)—Bernard Healy, former city councilman and Indian fighter, is dead here today after an illness of several weeks. He was 59 years old. A widow and eight children survive. Frank Healy, one of the sons, is a member of the Seattle Northwestern league baseball team.

Duck Hunter Is Killed.

Eureka, Cal., Oct. 24.—(P. N. S.)—Harold M. Noble of Bay Side, Humboldt county, was instantly killed, at Doris, Siskiyou county, Sunday while duck hunting. Noble was making his way through the tules dragging his gun behind him. The trigger was caught by a branch and the full charge of the gun fired into his head.

Steamer and 17 Lost.

New Orleans, Oct. 24.—(U. P.)—The

San Felice Standard to Be Maintained, Say Makers

All Dealers Now Sell Famous Cigars at 5c Straight. In Effect Today.

Owing to the greatly increased cost of quality tobaccos, in fact everything pertaining to high grade cigars, the makers of the San Felice cigar, The Deisel-Wenmer company, have advanced the selling price to the jobbers and dealers, and henceforth this cigar will positively be sold to the consumer at 5 cents straight instead of six for a quarter as previously.

The SAN FELICE is national in its scope and character, having justly attained this eminence through its unexcelled excellence. To maintain this unequalled standard of quality, the advance in question is absolutely unavoidable. The generous support of all men using quality cigars is earnestly desired.

MAYOR HOLDS UP THE PROPOSED RAILROAD FROM KLAMATH FALLS

Two Councilmen Stay With Him and Special Election to Vote Bonds Blocked.

TO MEET AGAIN TONIGHT

Number of Citizens Attend Session—Heated Discussion Follows Consideration of Important Matter.

Klamath Falls, Or., Oct. 24.—A veto by Mayor C. B. Crisler, at the city council meeting last night, of the ordinance authorizing the calling of a special election to vote \$300,000 stock in the proposed Strahorn railroad, roused a storm of protest from the citizens who crowded the hall.

Mayor Crisler backed his stand on the premises that attorneys for Keeler Bros., a Denver bonding house, retained by the council to engineer the legal phases of the election, had failed in their agreement; that they violated a fundamental principle of the charter which provides that only property owners shall vote on bonding issues, and that the proposed amendment exceeds the 10 per cent limit of indebtedness prescribed by the charter.

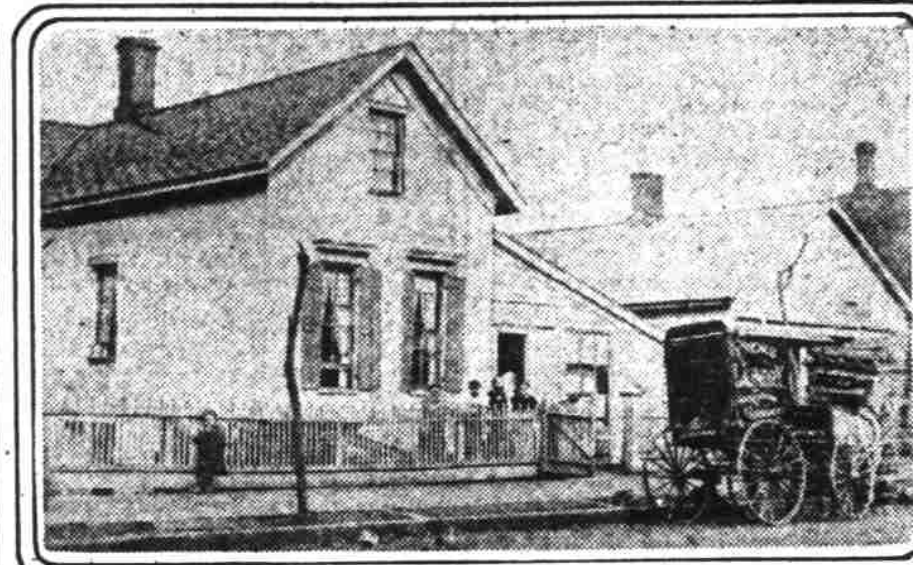
Following a heated discussion, it was decided to adjourn the meeting until tonight, getting in the meantime, if possible, from Keeler Bros. indorsement of an amendment submitting the proposition only to property-holders.

Two councilmen of the five stood with the mayor, it requiring four to pass over his veto. Mayor Crisler was censured by Councilman A. D. Miller for submitting through the press a report that the city indebtedness exceeded \$500,000, including all street and sewer improvements, and for his alleged exaggeration of the amount of refunding bonds. Miller said the city treasurer's books show bonded indebtedness of only \$185,000.

Alleged attempts by the Southern Pacific officials on a recent visit here to block the Strahorn movement were broadly hinted at being the cause of halt in the proceedings.

Ex-Bandit Out for Governor.

Los Angeles, Oct. 24.—(P. N. S.)—Al Jennings, ex-convict and now an evangelist, today announced his candidacy for governor of Oklahoma, the state in which he once "did time." This will be Jennings' second race for the office, the first in 1914 having been made after he was pardoned from the penitentiary by President Theodore Roosevelt.



Above, at the left, early picture of Mme. Esther Goffin, taken with one of her grandchildren when she was touring from coast to coast for her work as a laundress. At the right, a picture of Mme. Goffin taken two weeks before her death. Below—The old French laundry at Sixth and Washington streets, which Mrs. Goffin operated for many years.

steamer Edward Hines, with captain and crew of 17, was lost in the recent tropical hurricane, according to a statement by the owners today. The ship was at Swan Island when the hurricane was at its height. The cargo was valued at \$200,000. A cable from Fort Belize, Hon., said the chief engineer and two seamen of the Hines were picked up in an open boat. They reported 17 had perished.

Fifty Killed in Wreck.

Laredo, Texas, Oct. 24.—(I. N. S.)—In a railroad collision at Ramos Arispe, Mexico, last Friday, 50 persons were killed, and many injured, according to reports received here today. Ramos Arispe is not far from Torreon. A heavily loaded freight train is said to have crashed into a passenger train. The dead were buried at Saltillo.

A Sale of Novelty Suits

Of Extraordinary Interest for Horse Show & Dress-Up Week

It is the supreme opportunity for you to obtain an exclusive suit at a marked saving! Mostly one of a kind, in very fine broadcloths, velours, serges, gabardines. Many beautifully fur-trimmed. Because our prices in the first place were not the usual "exclusive" prices, these reductions represent an unusual saving.

\$39.50 Suits \$31.75
\$41.50 Suits \$34.35
\$45.00 Suits \$36.95

\$55.00 Suits \$44.75
\$65.00 Suits \$52.55
\$75.00 Suits \$60.85
—Emporium—Second Floor.

Exceptional Coats at \$19.50

—big, practical coats that combine style with utility! Wool velours in belted and full flare models. Also one dressy style in light weight velour with belted front and ripple flare back. \$19.50.

New Serge Dresses \$12.50

—smart little frocks in full pleated effect—the "Billy Burke" type, becoming more favored every day. Navy serge with touches of Bulgarian embroidery. \$12.50.

More Fetching Blouses \$1.38

—a whole table of them for Wednesday! Dozens of styles. Some of heavier corded voiles and rice cloths. New large collars. At \$1.38.

"The Quakeress," a Stunning New Hatters' Plush Hat at \$5.95

Exactly as pictured here—medium size with wide grograin band and bow at front. Smart little droop at the sides. This shape is quite the rage of New York now. A very limited number of them tomorrow at \$5.95.
—Emporium—Main Floor.

EMPORIUM

PORTLAND'S
124 to 128 Sixth St. Just off Washington.

HOTEL MULTNOMAH

SPECIAL Business Men's 35-Cent Lunch in the Arcadian Gardens, 11:30 to 2 p. m., with orchestra. Also a la carte service at all hours until midnight.

Tea Dances from 3 p. m. to 6 p. m. in Arcadian Gardens. Dinner Dance from 6 p. m. to 8 p. m., and Supper Dance from 10 p. m. to 12 m.

Orchestra Concert in main lobby every evening from 7 o'clock until 11.

L'Ingenu Club will give a dance in the Grand Ballroom Thursday evening, October 26th, at 9 p. m.

The Knights of Columbus will hold a ball in the ballroom Friday evening, October 27th, at 9 p. m.

HARRY E. THOMPSON

The Second Floor for Young Men

IT'S Overcoat-time

young gentlemen — the skies are graying, the leaves are falling.

—Come here for those admirable, rough, stylish coats — I am showing some wonderful plaids that seem to have caught the tints of the Autumn.

—Fitted English and pinchback models, handsomely tailored; some as low as \$10, and on up to \$25.

—Burly Ulsterettes with storm collars — sure protection from Wintry winds. Priced at \$20 and \$25.

—Young men's suits, of course—every proper model and fabric. Vim and vigor in every style. Priced moderately at \$15, \$18, \$20, \$25, \$30.

A BREWER HAT COSTS ONLY \$3

Ben Selling

Morrison at Fourth

One of the Weston Normal School Buildings Declared "Worthless" by Pendleton

(From photograph taken October 18, 1916.)

The following opinion by Beezer Bros., of Seattle, Wash., prominent architects, who designed the Baker-Boyer Bank Building and St. Mary's Hospital, Walla Walla, is an authoritative answer to Pendleton's falsehoods:

BEEZER BROTHERS
Architects

Dr. F. D. Watts, Weston, Oregon— Seattle, Wash., Oct. 12, 1916.

Dear Sir: The writer visited your city a short time ago, and while there inspected the new school building. The structure was planned and constructed to serve the purpose of a Normal School, and our knowledge of this class of building prompts us to say that in internal arrangement, construction and equipment it is very well suited for the purpose intended.

It is also commodious and substantial, and occupies a beautiful and ample site—having a campus which affords every advantage for recreation, mental pleasure and physical well-being of faculty and students.

The interior of the building evidences some surface deterioration, the natural result of student use and time elements; but a sum of, say, \$2000, properly expended, would bring the building to an almost perfect condition.

In these premises the State of Oregon has an asset too valuable to be lost or unused for the purpose intended, and we hope that the school will soon be re-established.

Very respectfully yours, **BEEZER BROS.**, by M. J. Beezer.

Why Toss Tax Money Away?

And here is a statement from leading men and public officials of Umatilla County who know whereof they speak and who are entitled to credence from Oregon taxpayers:

TO THE VOTERS OF OREGON: We, the undersigned, do declare that the plant of the Eastern Oregon State Normal School at Weston, Or., now owned by the State, and consisting of four buildings and 10 acres of ground, is in good condition for use, and, in fact, is now being used by the Weston school district under lease. It is the opinion of competent architects that the principal building, far from being "practically worthless," as claimed by Pendleton, can be placed in excellent condition with the expenditure of only \$2000. We regard this plant as ample for the needs of an Eastern Oregon Normal School and would consider it as extravagant folly for the people of Oregon to appropriate \$125,000 for a new school plant at Pendleton, only 21 miles from Weston, in the same county, thereafter to be maintained by an annual millage tax of one twenty-fifth of a mill, when one-fortieth of a mill, without the added expenditure of a single dollar will be ample for the needs of a normal school in this section of the state for years to come, if reopened at Weston.

Dated October 16, 1916. (Signed)

J. M. BANISTER, Mayor of Weston. H. B. LEE, ex-County Commissioner, Milton.
HOMER I. WATTS, Mayor of Athena. C. D. HOBBS, Mayor of Milton.
B. B. RICHARDS, Recorder of Athena. J. F. SLOVER, Merchant, Freewater.
H. A. BARRETT, Merchant, Athena. H. L. FRAZIER, ex-County Comm'r, Milton.
C. A. BARRETT, State Senator, Athena. (If you want more proof, we have it.)

Why Not Reopen the Weston Plant?

It is ready for use when wanted. The difference in maintenance cost at one twenty-fifth of a mill for Pendleton and one-fortieth of a mill for Weston, added to the \$125,000 demanded at once by Pendleton for a superfluous plant, means a saving to the already overburdened taxpayers of Oregon of approximately \$325,000 in 10 years.

Weston is an excellent location for a normal school, with ample material available for a training school. It is clean and free from Round-Up atmosphere, bulldozing methods and the reckless morals of Happy Canyon.

(Paid advertisement—F. D. Watts, Wm. MacKenzie, S. A. Barnes, E. O. DeMoss, Clark Wood, Weston, Or.)

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