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BRITISH FIRM UNDERBIDS U.S. SHELL MAKERS

American Manufacturers Price is \$200 Per Projectile Over Offer Made by Hadfield Co.

BIDS MADE FOR 16 IN. SHELLS

British Manufacturer's Bid is Contingent on War's Ending; American Contract Specified Delivery Within Sixteen Months.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 6.—Advocates in congress of government manufacture of munitions denounced the American manufacturers who were outbid two hundred dollars per projectile by a British firm, the Hadfield Company. The navy department bids were for sixteen inch shells.

LONDON, Jan. 6.—The bid to manufacture shells for America by Hadfield's, limited, is contingent on the war ending. Hadfield's and every other munitions plant in the United Kingdom is under governmental control.

The American shell contract specified delivery within sixteen months. Secretary Daniels announced he was working on plans for a government projectile factory.

GERMAN SWEEP IS MENACING GALATZ

The Most Important City Remaining in Russo-Romanian Hands Endangered by Outposts on Sereth.

Berlin, Jan. 6.—(Saville.)—The onward sweep of the Teutons is described in the official statement announcing the capture of five towns, and the arrival of outposts on the Sereth river and a new menace to Galatz, the most important Roumanian city now in the hands of the Russians and Roumanians.

It detailed storming advance movements by the Teutons in the Carpathians, Rimmelen, Tartara, Olanowaca, Guilanee and Maxenei are now in German hands.

BROTHERHOOD HEADS GIVEN FULL POWERS

NEW YORK, Jan. 6.—The heads of the four big brotherhoods of railway employes have been empowered to take such action as they see fit in the situation growing out of the eight-hour law delay, according to J. Bartand of the firemen's union. This includes the power to call a strike if advisable.

MRS. LEEDER WAS IN SEATTLE JAN. 1

Dispatches from San Francisco to the contrary notwithstanding, there seems strong reason to believe that Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Leeder of this city were not present in Lamb's Cafe, San Francisco, on New Year's morning when one member of a party of Folger representatives was slugged and fatally injured as told in a story yesterday.

C. H. Conroy, proprietor of Conroy's Cash Grocery, states that he has every reason to believe Mrs. Leeder was in Seattle at the time of the San Francisco happening inasmuch as Mrs. Conroy had received a letter from her at that place last Monday. Moreover, Mr. Conroy states that in a telephone conversation with Mr. Leeder in Walla Walla last evening the latter declared he had left San Francisco the day before New Year's and that his wife was not present with him in California.

Mr. Leeder, who represents Folger & Co. in this territory, was called to San Francisco during the holidays along with other Folger salesmen. His wife left Pendleton with him the announced intention of accompanying him but, according to her letter to Mrs. Conroy, later decided to spend the holidays in Seattle with relatives. Mr. Leeder went on to San Francisco for the meeting. The dispatch in which Mrs. Leeder was mentioned as having been present stated that her home was in Oakland which city is her former home of the Leeders.

BOTH SETS OF BELLIGERENTS HOLD CONFERENCES; ALLIES ADMIT THEIR'S IS FOR WAR

SCENES OF OLD DAYS ARE BEING PRESERVED

George H. Himes Will be Speaker at Historical Society Meeting Tonight—Gathering to be Held in Library Auditorium; All Are Invited.

Through the efforts of the county historical society, which is to hold its annual meeting this evening many interesting records and pictures of the old days in eastern Oregon are being preserved. The meeting this evening is being looked forward to because of the illustrated address to be given by George H. Himes, secretary of the state society. The gathering is to be held in the library auditorium and all who are interested in the subject are invited to be present. The meeting will be of particular interest to pioneers.

STANFIELD VICTOR IN DEBATE CONTEST

STANFIELD, Ore., Jan. 6.—(Special.)—The debating team of Stanfield high school again defeated the Hermiston team last evening, duplicating its victory of last year. Only two of the three judges selected were present but both voted in favor of Stanfield.

The local team upheld the affirmative of the question, "Resolved, that Oregon should adopt a bill for compulsory health insurance," and handled it admirably. The negative team, however, deserves much credit for the hard fight made. Stanfield was represented by Lee Bartholomew and Genevieve Sevy while Durrell, Archie and Gladys West debated for Hermiston. The feature of the debate was the splendid argument and presentation of Miss Sevy.

The judges were Assessor C. P. Strain and J. W. Huff, both of Pendleton. Mr. Huff after the debate publicly complimented Miss Sevy upon her able discussion of the question.

OREGON GETS \$128,111 FEDERAL ROAD FUND

WASHINGTON, Jan. 6.—In allotting the million dollars to be spent the coming year in the constructing of roads and trails in the various states Secretary Houston announced that Washington's share was \$91,955; Idaho's \$108,730, and Oregon's \$128,111.

PORTLAND BIDS UP SIX CENTS TODAY

CHICAGO, Jan. 6.—All grain rallied on reports that Wilson will send a note to the allies. Sellers yesterday are buyers' today.

CHICAGO, Jan. 6.—(Special to the East Oregonian)—Range of prices today:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
May	\$1.82 1/4	\$1.86	\$1.82	\$1.85
July	\$1.49 1/4	\$1.54 1/4	\$1.49 1/4	\$1.51 1/4

Portland.
PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 6.—(Special.)—Club, \$1.54; bluestem, \$1.62.

Liverpool.
LIVERPOOL, Jan. 6.—Spot wheat steady, unchanged. No. 1 northern Duluth, 17s 8d; No. 2 hard winter, 17s 8d; No. 2 hard winter, 17s 4d; barrel, 17s 2d; No. 2 northern Manitoba, old, 17s 10 1/2d (\$2.60 per bushel); No. 3 northern Manitoba, old, 17s 8d.

P. H. S. GIRLS' TEAM WINS; BOYS LOSE IN DOUBLEHEADER GAME

Last night in a double header basketball game, the Pendleton high school girls defeated the girls' team from Hermiston by the score of 33 to 1 and the local alumni defeated the high school boys by 45 to 18.

The girls' game which was played first, proved to be a lopsided affair. The Hermiston girls hardly ever getting the ball out of Pendleton's territory. Practically the entire second team was sent into the game in the last half.

The boys' game, although the score would seem one-sided, was a scrapy contest from first to last. The alumni outclassed the high school team in basket shooting and passing, but did not prove the better fighters, for both teams were fighting from the first to last jump.

Fowler, for the alumni proved to be the star basket shooter of the

Entente Council is Held at Rome; Central Powers Meet in Field Camp of Kaiser; Refuse to Reveal Motive.

ALLIES AFTER GREATER UNITY

Would Draw Closer Together in Their Efforts of Waging War; Forecasts Made of a More Vigorous Prosecution of the Struggle.

LONDON, Jan. 6.—Interest centered today on war—not peace. Two conferences—one by the allies, the other by the highest officials of the central powers, are cited to indicate that both sets of belligerents intended to make answer to the various peace notes with force of arms.

The allies' conference was held at Rome. It was a meeting of the prime ministers and cabinet members of the ententes. England had Lloyd-George and Lord Milner, a member of the war council present. France was represented by minister of war Lyautey, Briand and munitions minister Thomas. Russia had General Platten of the general staff.

It was officially characterized as a get together session. Forecasts were made of a more vigorous prosecution of the war.

The Germanic conference was held in the field camp of the kaiser. Those present were the kaiser, Archduke Frederick, Field Marshal Hoetzendorf, Crown Prince Boris of Bulgaria, Hindenburg and quartermaster General Ludendorff.

The Teutonic censors would not permit the dispatches to tell what was considered and no reason was given why they called the conference.

British public opinion holds there could be no better answer to the German peace proposals than today's Rome conference, with its professed purpose to obtain greater unity of effort in waging the war. The conference also developed the failure of Germany's scheme to cause a dissension among the allies.

FRED CRABBE WILL ARRIVE TOMORROW

Fred Crabbe Salt Lake grappler who is to meet Frank McCarroll here next Wednesday evening, is expected to arrive in Pendleton tomorrow, according to a telegram received this morning by Ray McCarroll who is staging the bout. Crabbe is fresh from triumphs over Al Ackerman, former middleweight champion, and Cecil Redfield, another topnotcher. He defeated each man in 90 minutes in Salt Lake.

Indications continue to point to the largest crowd that ever witnessed a wrestling bout in Pendleton. Women as well as men are taking a lively interest in it. Already 41 women have purchased tickets altogether in the center of the house and the management announces that no smoking or unseemly conduct will be tolerated.

DENY THAT WOMAN AND BOY WERE SHOT AS SPIES

BERLIN, Jan. 6.—Absolutely untrue was the denial registered of the press bureau report in foreign papers that a woman and a thirteen year old boy were recently shot as spies in Nusseln, Belgium. No boy was shot. The woman was sentenced to death but was pardoned.

LAWSON WILL TESTIFY BEFORE CONGRESS COMMITTEE



THOMAS W. LAWSON.

Thomas W. Lawson, the Boston financier, who has expressed his willingness to appear before the rules committee of the house and tell what

he knows regarding an alleged leak in governmental matters, whereby Lawson alleges certain people in Wall street "cleaned up."

STURTEVANT CASE IS WON BY CONTESTANTS

Judge Marsh Holds A. J. Sturtevant Was Mentally Incapable of Making a Valid Will; Appeal Will Probably Be Taken.

After being before the county court for two and a half years, the Sturtevant will contest was this morning decided in favor of the contestants by County Judge C. H. Marsh. He holds that A. J. Sturtevant was not mentally capable of making a valid will at the time the will admitted to probate was made. It is understood the case will be appealed to the circuit court at once and the probabilities are that the supreme court will be called upon to make final decision.

A. J. Sturtevant, Pilot Rock pioneer, died during July, 1914. Under the terms of his last will the bulk of his \$50,000 estate was left to his son, Mark Sturtevant, his wife, Alma, and his daughter Fay. Under previous wills his grandchildren by a deceased son, Vivian and Lowell Sturtevant, received a big part of the estate. Through their mother, Mrs. Myrtle Carnes, they at once contested the validity of the instrument, and testimony has been taken at intervals ever since.

In his opinion, Judge Marsh states that after careful consideration of the evidence and arguments, he has reached the conclusion "that the weight of the evidence under the law favors the contestants and the court is therefore of the opinion that the instrument involved in this proceeding purporting to be the last will and testament of Andrew J. Sturtevant is void and of no effect for the reason that said Andrew J. Sturtevant was not at the time of the execution of the instrument capable of making a valid will."

He, therefore, directs the counsel for the contestants to draw findings of fact and a decree in accordance with the allegations in the petition and present it to him for signature.

Five Timber Wolves Killed.

J. W. Fox, government hunter at the headwaters of the north fork of the Umpqua river, has within the past month killed five large timber wolves, an animal very rare. He has just made a report of his success to E. F. Averill of the biological survey.

Grand Jury Inspects Jail.

The grand jury spent a short time in the county jail today, inspecting the walls with a view to determining whether recommendations should be made for a new and more modern jail.

300 VILLISTAS DEAD 600 CAPTURED SAYS REPORT OF MURGIA

EL PASO, Jan. 6.—Details of irreparable defeat to Villa were sent the Mexican consulate here by General Murgia, the Carrancista commander. Three hundred Villistas were killed south of Chihuahua, six hundred were wounded and six hundred captured and executed, according to the consul's report.

GOVERNACION OFFERED POST.

QUERETARO, Jan. 6.—It is understood that Ambassador Arrendondo has offered the portfolio to Minister Gobernacion.

ROBBERS GET \$9000.

TARENTUM, Pa., Jan. 6.—A bank messenger and guard taking nine thousand dollars to the Glacius Glass Company's office to meet the weekly payroll were held up and robbed by three men. They leaped into the automobile, overpowered the messenger and guard and drove away.

TICKER SERVICE KNEW OF NOTE FOUR HOURS BEFORE COMMUNICATION WAS PUBLISHED

WASHINGTON, Jan. 6.—Secretary Lansing will appear before the committee investigating the Wall street leak Monday it was announced following an executive session of the rules committee of the house this afternoon.

Subpoenas will be issued to the entire Washington staffs of the Wall Street Journal and Financial America.

Discussing Lansing's statement to reporters the afternoon before the note was made public, Representative Harrison said:

"Apparently the reporters kept faith, but the Wall Street Journal and Financial America sent out tips to tickers."

Wood recalled Harrison and asked why no effort was made to find A. Curtis, who told of an alleged conference with Barney Baruch and Tammity. Wood said he wrote Curtis but got no reply.

It was brought out that Wood did not try to get in personal touch with Curtis. Wood said he received many similar anonymous letters.

COUNCIL RECOGNIZES NEW LIBRARY CORPORATION AND TURNS OVER ALL PROPERTY

In Special Session Last Night Four Ordinances Passed Giving Pendleton Public Library, Inc. Title to City Library Books etc. and Giving Full Control of Library to Recently Created Body; City However Pledges Itself to Contribute \$2500 Annually to Maintain Library Which Will be Free to Inhabitants.

CITY RETAINS THE RIGHT TO APPOINT DIRECTORS

Present Pendleton Public Library Formally Abolished—Corporation Cannot Profit Financially—New Move Said to be Taken to Block Plan of Other Faction of Controversy.

Through the passage of four ordinances last evening at a special meeting, the city council formally abolished what has been known as the Pendleton Public Library and turned over all of the city library property to the new corporation known as the Pendleton Public Library, Inc. A contract with this corporation was authorized whereby the city agrees to levy an annual tax and to turn over to the corporation directors annually \$2500 for the maintenance of the library.

Full control and management of the Pendleton Public Library, Inc. is vested in the board of directors but it is provided that these directors shall be appointed by the mayor and council and may be removed for cause. It is also provided that the library shall be conducted for the benefit of the inhabitants of the city and that there shall be no profit for members of the corporation.

The action of the council last evening is the culmination of a plan said to have been devised for the purpose of heading off action that the other faction in the library controversy has contemplated through the legislature to operate the city library in connection with the county library and under a board on which the county has certain members of the old library board recently incorporated themselves. Strictly speaking, the city has turned over its library property to a private corporation but the council believes it has fully safeguarded the rights of the citizens of Pendleton.

Whether or not the city intends setting up a library separate from the county institution is not known yet though it is said that the corporation expects to make some kind of an arrangement with the county whereby the city library can be maintained in the county building but as a separate library.

There was little discussion of the situation at the meeting last evening. Judge James A. Fox, trustee of the Sturgis fund, was present and preferred the introduction of the ordinance with a statement of the purposes of the ordinance. He pledged the income of the Sturgis fund for the purchase of new books for the library of the new corporation.

All members of the council were present except Councilmen Folsom and Taylor and all voted affirmatively on the ordinance.

Old Ordinance Repealed.
The first ordinance passed had for its purpose the repeal of ordinance 585 under which the Pendleton Public Library was established and maintained.

The second ordinance provides for the transferring of the ownership and right of possession of all property of the Pendleton Public Library, together with all books, papers, documents, vouchers, receipts, money on hand belonging to the library fund of the city, furniture and other equipment, and all rights and interest of the mity of Pendleton over to the Pendleton Public Library, Inc., with full power and authority to maintain in its own name all actions and proceedings it may deem necessary for the recovery of any part or all of said property.

Section 2 provides for the transfer by the city to the corporation of the management, control and operation of the Pendleton Public Library except that the city reserves the right to appoint the directors.

The third ordinance provides for the levying of an annual tax upon the property of Pendleton to constitute a fund to be kept separate and to be used exclusively by the corporation and it is specified that such tax shall not be included in the aggregate amount of taxes as limited by the city charter for general and road purposes.

Old Appointments Held.
Section 2 of this ordinance provides that the government of the corporation shall be vested in nine directors to be appointed by the mayor with the consent of the council, that sex will not make for ineffectuality, that no more than one member of the council may serve on the board, that all directors shall hold office for three years dating from September 1, and provides that the appointments made under the old ordinance shall be ratified and confirmed if said officers qualify under the by-laws of the corporation. It is specified that if such officers fail or refuse to so qualify it shall be deemed that they have resigned and that successors may be appointed. Full management and control is conferred upon the corporation except that the city reserves the right to appoint the directors and to remove them for wilful neglect of duty or misconduct in office.

Section 3 gives the mayor the right to make appointments and removals with the consent of the council and provides that no directors shall receive salary. Section 4 gives the corporation the right to adopt by-laws, rules and regulations for the government of the library providing that they are not inconsistent with the city ordinances and state laws.

Section 5 provides that the library is to be maintained without profit to the directors and for the development of the mental capacities and moral welfare of the inhabitants of Pendleton and gives the corporation the right to exclude from the use of the library such persons as willfully violate the rules. It is further provided that the corporation shall make a report to the council before December 31 of each year.

Contract is Authorized.
The fourth and last ordinance empowers J. L. Vaughan, C. E. Penland and Ralph Folsom, or any of them, to enter into a contract with the Pen-

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