

## PENSION BILL TO MEET APPROVAL

Ashbrook Measure Provides Increased Payments to War Widows.

International News Service.

WASHINGTON, May 26.—The democratic members of the house pension's committee have reported for passage the Ashbrook war widows pension bill which will meet with popular approval. In brief it provides increased pensions for widows of Civil war soldiers who were the wives of soldiers when they were in the service and for all soldiers' widows after they are 70 years old; it restores pensions to all widows who were once soldiers' widows but who remarried and are again widows; and it provides that all widows of soldiers who married their deceased soldier husbands before June 27, 1905, shall have pensionable status.

Under the provisions of the bill all widows of soldiers who were wives of soldiers during the time of the deceased soldiers' service shall have \$20 per month; all widows of soldiers who are past 70 years of age shall have \$20 per month; and all others \$12 per month.

The house has already passed a bill giving \$12 per month to widows of Spanish-American war soldiers and it is believed that this and the Ashbrook bill will pass both the house and senate and become law either in this session or the next one in December.

Representative Barnhart introduced the bill in two previous congresses providing some of the features of the Ashbrook bill but this bill is a combination of several good bills and when it becomes law it will be a great relief to many deserving old soldiers' widows and the increased cost will not nearly equal the shrinkage in pension allowances caused by the death rate of old soldier pensioners.

A missionary asserts that 1,500,000 gallons of rum are sent annually from this country to Africa, and, "on the natives of those remote regions, wholly unused to articles of this kind," he adds naively, "such an amount of liquor has a most violent effect."

## Grew Said to Bear Kaiser's Terms



JOSEPH GREW  
FIRST SECRETARY.

WASHINGTON, May 26.—Keeping under cover the purport of the message he is said to bring from Ambassador Gerard after a conference at the battle front with the Kaiser, Joseph C. Grew, first secretary at the American embassy in Berlin, has arrived in Washington.

Since his return to America, Mr. Grew has evaded all questions as to the terms of peace the message is supposed to set forth. It is said that after the Kaiser had answered President Wilson's last note, he gave to Ambassador Gerard the outline of the basis of possible peace agreeable to the German people. The president, it was said, was to be asked by the German Kaiser to make the first move in bringing the war to a close.

## VANDALIA CHANGES TIME.

Sunday, May 28th.  
Train No. 48 from Logansport will arrive daily at 8:15 p. m. Train No. 58 from Logansport Sundays at 7:15 p. m. Train No. 59 to Logansport Sunday at 6:50 p. m. The balance of the present schedule is not affected.—Adv't.

Parker & Schmidt, tailors, now located at 128 N. Mich. st., ground floor.—Adv't.

## G. O. P. TO HAVE FEW CONTESTS

Only 53 Seat Arguments Filed With Secretary Reynolds of Committee.

CHICAGO, May 26.—There will be fewer delegate seats contested in the republican national convention which meets here June 7 than in any national convention of the party in 20 years. With all the 885 delegates to the 1916 convention elected with the exception of those from West Virginia, which will be chosen by direct primary June 6, only 53 contests have been filed with Sec'y Reynolds of the republican national committee.

Four years ago more than half of the delegates' seats were in dispute and the national committee held daily sessions for more than three weeks hearing contests. When the national committee meets June 1 to dispose of this year's contests, it will expect to complete its work in three days.

"The adoption of the direct primary in the election of delegates to the national convention by a large number of states is responsible for the great decrease in the number of contests," said Sec'y Reynolds. "This year more than 600 of the 985 delegates were chosen by the direct primary method."

Sec'y Reynolds today issued an official list of the contests filed which shows contests in Alabama, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Virginia, Texas, District of Columbia and Georgia.

## LANSING IMPROVES

Will Take Another Week to Recuperate.

WASHINGTON, May 26.—Sec'y Lansing, who has been absent from his office at the state department for more than a week on account of an attack of indigestion, is nearly well again, but has decided to remain at home for the rest of this week to recuperate and at the same time do some important work in quiet. It is understood that Mr. Lansing now is considering chiefly the blockade question pending between the United States and Great Britain and which soon will be the subject of another note.



# Announcement Extraordinary OPENING of Our New Department for Pathe Pathephones!

The most remarkable musical instrument in the world

Although comparatively new in the United States they have been manufactured and sold in Europe for many years.

The Pathephone is equipped with a perfect tone control. Operators can add their own interpretation of the volume, shading and expression to any reproduction. This important device eliminates the use of loud, medium and soft tone needle-cut records on the Pathephone.

The Pathephone not only plays Pathe records, comprising the largest library in the world, containing over 96,000 selections—Pathe records require no steel needles—but records from the catalog of every manufacturer can be rendered perfectly, whether needle, diamond or sapphire.

The Pathephone record is recorded with the sound wave on the bottom of the record groove, and a permanent, highly polished, smooth, round, genuine sapphire is used to conduct the vibrations from the record, doing away with the necessity of changing needles.

Pathe records are made of a new and harder composition; they last a lifetime because the smooth, round, highly polished Pathe sapphire ball glides gently over them, instead of scratching and digging into the record surface, wearing and tearing the sound wave, as the old style steel needles do.

Pathe sapphires engage the sound waves in 40 points of direct constant contact, transmitting all of the delicate tone colors and overtones, producing articulation, just as they were originally recorded.

With the sharp steel needle type record, over 60% of the overtones and tonal values are lost, by reason of the sharp

steel pointed needle wearing and not reaching the small indentations on the sound groove.

The first illustration shows the Pathe sapphire, the other a sharp-pointed steel needle.



The Pathe library of records contains the names of the greatest operatic stars in the world of music. These selections have been rendered and recorded in Paris, Berlin, London, Milan and New York, including the wonderful bands of Germany, the famous Hungarian orchestras, the Garde Republicaine Band of Paris, the Westminster Choir of London. A great many of the most wonderful artists of the old world have never been in the United States, but have been recorded on the Pathephone discs in Pathe Freres' European laboratories. In fact, all of the famous bands, orchestras and musical organizations of Europe are at your command.

The Pathe sound-box, which is a microphonic vibrator, plays a most important part in the musical results of the reproduction, bringing forth the inanimate notes from the record into pulsative, living tones of the human voice or instruments with the full expression and technique of the original artist.

The cabinet, the wood sound chamber, the sound vibrator and the motor all have been made under the careful scrutiny of experts in these arts; and when a Pathephone is installed in the home, an owner can rest assured that he has the most wonderful musical instrument that brains and genius have ever produced.

The Pathe Freres, of Paris, have made a worldwide reputation for themselves, and perhaps no two brothers in the world's history have ever contributed so much to the clean, keen pleasure of the world as the Pathe brothers have by their inventive genius in perfecting the Pathephone, Pathe disc records and the moving pictures.

For over twenty-five years inventors and manufacturers have been trying to produce a perfect instrument that would render a lifelike reproduction of voice and instrument, but it remained for the Pathe Freres to accomplish this, and the result is the Pathephone.

Listen to the marvelous fidelity of the soft vibrations of the violin, the full, strong melody of the orchestra or band, and every voice modulation of the great artists in the realm of music, and you will hear music reproduced for the first time in all its purity, tone-strength and detail, so natural that critics have said it should not be called a reproduction, but an actual living duplication of the artist-breathing voice.

The Pathephone cabinets harmonize with and grace the most artistic surroundings.

The Pathephone sound chamber is constructed of wood, forming a perfect vibrating path for the amplification of sound. Sir Isaac Newton discovered that the propagation of sound through any medium depended upon the elasticity of that medium; wood is the most resonant and elastic material known to science, accommodating itself to every intensity, reflection and refraction of sound.

### The Many Pathephones Features are Reasons Why You Should Own This Perfect Instrument

It plays all makes of disc records perfectly.

It gives the most natural sound-reproduction.

It has the sweetest tone.

It uses a Genuine, Round, Highly Polished Sapphire Stylus, which never wears out and does not scratch the Pathe discs.

It is made with an all-wood Sound-Chamber, amplifying the music in the richest, fullest manner.

It has by far the most artistic effect of any musical instrument.

It is backed by the greatest record catalogue in the world, the Pathe Repertory having over 96,000 selections.

Its Pathe Pathephone Discs are double-faced, including the operatic selections.

It has a perfect tone-control device for expressions and volume.

It has no steel needles to change.

### Magnificent Sound- Proof Booths

have been provided for the demonstrating of these instruments. These booths are very commodious, just about the size of the ordinary living rooms, which enables you to judge how they will sound in your home.

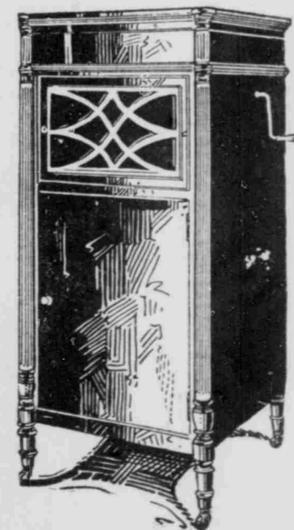
#### Prices are as follows:

\$15.00, \$25.00, \$50.00, \$75.00, \$100.00,  
\$150.00, \$200.00, \$300.00.

All records are double-faced, ranging in price from 65c to \$4.00.

#### Liberal Terms of Credit Extended.

Come and hear these splendid instruments. It is a pleasure to show them.



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