

NEARLY \$5,000,000,000 ASKED FOR GOVERNMENT EXPENDITURES

CONTINUING WAR COSTS HELP TO RUN NATION'S BILL TO HIGH FIGURES

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6.—(By The Associated Press.)—Another "peace time estimate of nearly five billions of dollars for the government's expenses during the fiscal year 1922 faced congress when it reassembled today.

Continuing war costs were directly reflected throughout the estimates, indicating that the government might be on a four billion dollar basis for some years to come as compared with the one billion dollar maximum preceding the war.

FUNERAL MR. W. L. GALLANT WAS LARGELY ATTENDED

Hundreds Pay Tribute to Memory Popular Gastonian—Burial With Masonic Honors in Old Steel Creek Graveyard.

Funeral services over the remains of the late W. L. Gallant were held Sunday afternoon at 1:15 o'clock in the First Presbyterian church, by the pastor, Dr. J. H. Henderlite, assisted by Revs. G. R. Gillespie, J. C. Galloway and W. C. Barrett.

PICTURES AND STORY ON "LIFE IN FRANCE"

Entertainment at Central School Auditorium Tuesday Night Will Be For the Benefit of Odd Fellows' Orphanage.

On Tuesday night of this week, December 7, at 8 o'clock, in the auditorium of the Central school, Supt. Joe S. Wray will exhibit a splendid series of stereoscopic slides on "Life and Scenes in France."

66TH CONGRESS WILL DO LITTLE TODAY SAVE FORMAL OPENING CEREMONIES

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6.—Passage of the annual appropriation bills and preliminary work on matters to be pushed by the new administration were expected to occupy much of the time for the last session of the Sixty-sixth Congress which began today to continue until the inauguration of President-elect Harding on March 4.

decks clear for other legislation in the proposed special session of the new Congress next April. Many new bills and resolutions were ready for introduction, however.

ARGENTINA'S WITHDRAWAL FROM LEAGUE ASSEMBLY MAY BE FOLLOWED BY RETIREMENT FROM LEAGUE OF NATIONS

GENEVA, Dec. 6.—(By The Associated Press.)—Argentina's amendment to the covenant of the league of nations, rejection of which caused the delegation of that country to leave the assembly on Saturday morning, has been referred to the assembly for consideration at its next meeting.

in operation," declares the Times. Amendments, when the time comes for them, should be the fruits of experience and ripe consideration of practical needs.

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BRITISH PRESS COMMENT

LONDON, Dec. 6.—Withdrawal of the Argentine delegation from the assembly of the league of nations at Geneva does not seem to be endorsed by the British press, so far as opinion is reflected in editorial comments.

MEDILL McCORMICK SPEAKS

PARIS, Dec. 6.—When United States Senator Medill McCormick received word of the withdrawal of the Argentine delegation from the assembly of the league of nations yesterday, he said to a representative of the Express: "That interests me very much, but it does not surprise me at all."

NEW YORK SUB-TREASURY CEASES TO EXIST

By The Associated Press.) NEW YORK, Dec. 6.—Conforming to the provision of an act of congress, abolishing the various sub-treasuries scattered throughout the country, the New York sub-treasury will cease to exist after the close of business today.

BEGIN TRIAL OF 43 NIGHT RIDERS

CULLMAN, ALA., Dec. 6.—Trials of 43 alleged night riders, who are charged specifically with poisoning gins in the vicinity of Hanceville, Barleyton and Gardes City during the early fall, were begun in Cullman circuit court today, Judge Fred Buchanan, presiding.

LEAGUE POSTPONES UNTIL NEXT MEETING CONSIDERATION OF AMENDMENT TO LEAGUE ELIMINATING ARTICLE X

GENEVA, Dec. 6.—Consideration of an amendment to the covenant of the league of nations, which would eliminate Article X, has been postponed by the assembly of the league of nations until the next meeting.

their proposals are not accepted, it would be impossible for the league to make any progress.