EXPENSES OF DELEGATES OF THE UNITED STATES TO THE CONGRESS OF MILITARY MEDICINE AND PHARMACY TO BE HELD AT WARSAW, POLAND

JANUARY 12, 1927.—Committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union and ordered to be printed

Mr. Porter, from the Committee on Foreign Affairs, submitted the following

REPORT
[To accompany H. J. Res. 328]

The Committee on Foreign Affairs, to which was referred H. J. Res. 328, providing for the expenses of delegates of the United States to the Congress of Military Medicine and Pharmacy to be held at Warsaw, Poland, having had the same under consideration, reports thereon with the recommendation that the resolution do pass with the following amendment:

Line 5, after the word "States" insert "to be appointed by the President."

The facts are fully set forth in Senate Document No. 186, Sixty-ninth Congress, second session, which is a message from the President of the United States transmitting a report by the Secretary of State recommending at the request of the Secretary of the Treasury, the Secretary of War, and the Secretary of the Navy, constituting together with the Surgeon General of the three medical services of the Treasury, War, and Navy Departments an advisory board under the Federal act approved January 30, 1903, that Congress be asked for the appropriation of $5,000 for the payment of expenses of five delegates, three of whom shall represent the medical service of the War and Navy Departments and the United States Public Health Service, at the Congress of Military Medicine and Pharmacy to be held at Warsaw, Poland, in 1927, all of which is attached hereto and made part of this report.

To the Congress of the United States:

I transmit herewith a report by the Secretary of State recommending, at the request of the Secretary of the Treasury, the Secretary of War, and the Secretary of the Navy, constituting, together with the Surgeon Generals of the three
medical services of the Treasury, War, and Navy Departments, an advisory board under the Federal act to incorporate the Association of Military Surgeons of the United States, approved January 30, 1903, that Congress be asked for an appropriation of $5,000 for the payment of expenses of five delegates, three of whom shall represent the medical services of the War and Navy Departments and the United States Public Health Service, at the Congress of Military Medicine and Pharmacy to be held at Warsaw, Poland, in 1927. The recommendation has my approval, and I request of Congress legislation authorizing an appropriation of $5,000 for the purpose of participation by the United States by official delegates in the Congress of Military Medicine and Pharmacy to be held at Warsaw, Poland, in 1927.


The President:
The Government of the French Republic has brought to the attention of the Government of the United States a resolution adopted at the Third International Congress of Military Medicine and Pharmacy held at Paris in April, 1925, reading in translation as follows:

"In order to make it possible to continue the efforts and insure the most intimate solidarity among the members of the health services in the land and sea forces of the several nations, that is to say, the physicians, pharmacists, dentists, and executive officers, it would be highly desirable to constitute an international association of military surgeons. The congress asks the health service of the French Army to endeavor to bring this recommendation to a successful issue."

The matter was referred by the Department of State to the Secretary of the Treasury, the Secretary of War, and the Secretary of the Navy. It appears from a letter from the Secretary of the Treasury, dated October 8, 1926, that these three officials, together with the Surgeon Generals of the three Government medical services, comprising an advisory board under the Federal act to incorporate the Association of Military Surgeons of the United States, approved January 30, 1903, met in the office of the Secretary of the Treasury on October 2, 1926, to consider the invitation of the French Government to give its support to the creation of an international association of military surgeons; that it was agreed that the Government of the United States should cordially join with the Government of the French Republic and the governments of all other nations of the world, in the furtherance of plans for an international association of military surgeons; and that the advisory board recommended that through the Department of State, the authority to appoint delegates to represent the Association of Military Surgeons of the United States at the next meeting of the Congress of Military Medicine and Pharmacy at Warsaw in 1927, which will consider the plans, be obtained of Congress. In a later letter dated November 24, 1926, the Secretary of the Treasury advised me that in the opinion of the advisory board a sum of at least $5,000 should be requested for expenses of five delegates, three of whom should be designated to represent, respectively, the Medical Services of the War and Navy Departments and the United States Public Health Service of the Treasury Department.

The undersigned, the Secretary of State, has the honor to recommend that request be made of Congress for an appropriation of $5,000 for the purpose stated in accordance with the wishes of the Secretary of the Treasury, the Secretary of War, and the Secretary of the Navy.

A copy of a letter from the Director of the Bureau of the Budget stating that the request is not in conflict with the financial program of the President is herewith enclosed.

Respectfully submitted.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE,
Washington, January 4, 1927.

FRANK B. KELLOGG.

BUREAU OF THE BUDGET,
Washington, December 22, 1926.

MY DEAR MR. SECRETARY: I have from Assistant Secretary of State Carr a letter dated December 13, 1926, inclosing copy of a proposed report to the President recommending that Congress be requested to authorize an appropriation of
$5,000 for the purpose of participation by the United States by official delegates in the Congress of Military Medicine and Pharmacy to be held at Warsaw, Poland, in 1927, and requesting that I indicate whether the action proposed in the report is in harmony with the financial policy of the President.

In reply I have to advise you that the proposed request for legislation authorizing an appropriation of $5,000 for the purpose stated is not in conflict with the financial program of the President.

Sincerely yours,

The Secretary of State.

H. M. Lord, Director.