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## FUNSTON REPLIES

### T O THE BAPTISTS

#### Objected to Claim That All Uniformed Men Were Lost.

San Antonio, Dec. 9.—Major General Funston, commanding the department of the South, tonight replied to the Rev. J. S. Gambrell, secretary of the executive board of the Baptist General Convention, explaining the general's reason for not permitting revivals in the military camps here and along the border. Numerous Baptist conventions have adopted resolutions condemning what they understood to have been the general's action, and suggestions were made that President Wilson, as commander in chief of the army, be asked to take official cognizance of the matter. A resolution asking for information on the controversy also has been introduced in congress.

General Funston gave out copies of the letter to the press, in which he says in part:

"This whole disagreeable incident with all of its annoyance to me, of course, arises from the statement made by you after your visit to the headquarters a couple of months ago, in which you sought to obtain permission to conduct a series of revivals in the border camps. You stated your business to Col. Barnum, chief of staff. If Col. Barnum stated at that time what denomination you belonged to, it made no impression on my mind and if he had, it would have made no difference whatever.

"I told that officer to explain to you fully that while religious services along the usual lines were conducted in the camps by chaplains and other clergymen and were welcome, I could not give my consent to the holding of revivals, therein giving the word, as I was justified in doing, its usually accepted meaning. I told Colonel Barnum to explain to you why revival services would be out of place in a military camp, citing the disgraceful performance in San Antonio last winter as an example of

what revivals are apt to develop into, and drawing to a certain extent on a general explanation as to how revivals or 'protracted' meetings, as they are some times called, are usually conducted.

"I further instructed Colonel Barnum to say to you that I did not accept, in fact, resented, the implication that because a man had put on his country's uniform, he was necessarily lost, or worse than other men, that I thought there were people who had stayed at home who needed revivals more than the soldiers did.

"Under the circumstances you can imagine my astonishment when I read your statements to the effect that I had said that I would not allow the soldiers to be told that they were 'lost'. You must know as well as I do that the doctrine that should be preached to the men was never once considered or mentioned and with all due courtesy I feel compelled to say that your making repeatedly the statement you are quoted as making was absolutely inexcusable and did me a grave injustice.

"The only time the word 'lost' was used by me was when I said that I did not accept the view that because a man put on his country's uniform he was necessarily lost.

"I say frankly that I would not want to take chances on allowing a series of revivals or protracted meetings in these great camps. I am justified in giving the word revival its usually accepted meaning—a series of meetings continuing day and night for an indefinite period with loud exhortation and singing and much emotionalism.

"Is it not a fact that you were badly put out because I could not let you have your way about conducting revivals in the camps and that you said to yourself:

"Why the idea of that obstinate little cuss not letting me do as I please and presuming that he knows more about what soldiers like than I do. I will warm his jacket and make it just

as disagreeable for him as I can."

"If you will acknowledge that I shall acknowledge that you succeeded and everybody ought to be happy."

## BELGIANS MAKE PROTEST AGAINST DEPORTATION

### Copy of Protest Sent to American and Other Diplomatic Representatives.

Havre, France, Dec. 8.—Twenty Belgian senators and twenty-three Belgian deputies living in Brussels, have taken the personal risk of sending a signed protest to General von Bissing, German governor of Belgium, against the deportation of Belgian workmen. The senators and deputies at the same time sent copies of their protests to Brad Whitlock, American minister to Belgium, and to the diplomatic representatives of other countries.

"On many occasions during modern times," says the letter to the diplomats in part, "civilized powers have intervened in favor of oppressed people. Many times they have given protection to persecuted populations driven from their firesides and yet these people were not carried off into slavery. It remained for the frightful war where we were the first victims, to offer such a spectacle to the world. We are persuaded that Belgium will not have appealed in vain for the aid of your government to protect it from the pitiless edict that violates at the same time the rights of man and the fourth convention of The Hague with all the laws of humanity."

The letter to General von Bissing begins as follows:

"Excellency, it seemed that no pain could be added to those with which we have been weighed down since the occupation of our country. Our liberties have been abolished, our industry and commerce annihilated, our raw material in instruments of labor exported, our public fortune ruined, destitution succeeding easy circumstances.

"Privation, anguish and bereavement, all that we have endured; with-

out other revolt than the mute protestations of our souls. We suffered in common and our common pains lightened the burden of our individual misery.

"But a new violence falls on and tears apart our families. Hundreds, thousands of peaceable citizens, of all ages and conditions, a civil population have been abruptly and brutally snatched from their firesides and deported into Germany.

"Hundreds, thousands of women, children and the aged, have been abandoned, deprived of support and given over to the anguish of a separation, the duration of which no one can foresee. The spectacle of their despair is such that, rather than confront it, the recrating soldiers refuse to weep eyes and despairing relatives the consolation of a last parting.

Among the signers of the protest are four former ministers, Baron De Favereau, president of the senate; Count West, Jules Vandennepoort and Joseph Deelder. Among the deputies who signed it were Baron Albert De Huart and Count De Limburg-Stirum.

## FINAL SETTLEMENT.

Take notice that on the 16th day of December, 1916, I will render a final account of my acts and doings as Administrator of the estate of D. G. Rhodes, deceased, in the office of the Judge of Probate, of Laurens County, at 11 o'clock a. m. and on the same day will apply for a final discharge from my trusts as Administrator.

Any person indebted to said estate is notified and required to make payment on that date; and all persons having claims against said estate will present them on or before said date, duly proven or be forever barred.

P. A. REDDLE,

Administrator.

Nov. 15, 1916.—1 mo.

## J. ROY CRAWFORD

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## SOUTH CAROLINA GINNINGS.

### Nearly Million Bales Ginned According to Report Made Nov. 21.

Director Sam L. Rogers, of the bureau of the census, department of commerce, announces the preliminary report of cotton ginned by counties in South Carolina, for the crops of 1915 and 1916. The report was made public for the state at 10 a. m., on Tuesday, November 21.

Quantities are in running bales, counting round as half bales. Lint is not included.

County	1916	1915
Abbeville	20,733	23,769
Aiken	31,955	31,175
Anderson	43,976	45,791
Bamberg	19,884	13,790
Beaufort	4,620	2,837
Barnwell	38,378	31,817
Berkeley	3,859	7,370
Calhoun	18,281	15,378
Charleston	2,417	5,296
Cherokee	5,608	10,882
Chester	14,674	21,573
Chesterfield	14,191	22,691
Clarendon	15,292	22,016
Colleton	11,429	10,872
Darlington	13,688	27,812
Dillon	19,060	21,990
Dorchester	7,268	9,145
Edgefield	24,788	23,492
Fairfield	10,715	18,040
Florence	13,573	25,159
Georgetown	821	1,920
Greenville	24,563	32,586
Greenwood	23,882	22,578
Hampton	15,224	10,644
Horry	3,294	5,755
Jasper	4,583	2,618
Kershaw	8,138	20,199
Laurens	24,353	16,688
Lee	13,813	26,932
Lexington	19,080	18,817
Marion	9,355	11,088
Marlboro	26,773	42,366
Newberry	24,302	28,798
Oconee	12,635	12,722
Orangeburg	49,469	51,464
Pickens	11,146	12,137
Richland	13,664	16,127

## Keeping Yourself Well

### DRIVING OUT CATARRH

If people knew how the presence of catarrh in a constant menace, they would have none of it. It infects some part of the delicately adjusted body and makes it useless, thus throwing on the other organs more than their share of work. It breeds a certain prepared condition for the arrival of colds, grip, influenza and pneumonia. It so obscures Nature's delicate plans as to make her efforts almost, say, futile and almost respiratory disorders. It irritates until it becomes acute, then involving many organs and finally involving the entire system with its bad results.

Catarrh is easily neglected, and it breeds a general condition, but almost half a century many thousands have found help in Peppermint Cure for Catarrh. It is a simple, scientific, and safe system of treatment, and it is the only one that has done all that is claimed for it. It is the best proof of what it will do. You may rely on it. It is so pleasant to take and so easy to administer.

Saluda	21,983	20,081
Spartanburg	37,653	53,218
Sumter	20,660	25,757
Union	8,994	13,698
Williamsburg	9,218	18,405
York	15,429	28,449
Total	740,690	921,528

**Evidence of Eyewitness.**  
A small boy recently attended the theater. In the play a false servant stole a valuable ring. The master in anger called the servants before him and attempted to gain a confession. "Who stole the ring?" he thundered. "Then and there the little fellow, who had been deeply engrossed, called out: 'The man with the red stockings.'"

# HAVE EVERY MEMBER OF YOUR FAMILY JOIN OUR CHRISTMAS SAVING CLUB AND BE PREPARED NEXT YEAR TO HAVE THE HAPPIEST CHRISTMAS OF YOUR LIFE

Everybody can join and it's just as profitable to the old as to the young. Our Club during the past year included all ages and all are happy now because their Christmas spending money is certain.

Look at the different Clubs shown in this ad. and select the one most suitable. Come in today and start your saving for next Christmas.

## THE REASONS FOR THE CLUB

- To provide a way for those of moderate and even small means to bank their money.
- To teach "the saving habit" to those who have never learned it.
- To give young folks a practical education about money--by showing them that if they give up the little things they want today they can get the big things later.
- To give you a Bank connection and show you how our Bank can be of service to you.

# PEOPLES LOAN AND EXCHANGE BANK

LAURENS, S. C.

FOUR THOUSAND DOLLARS TO BE PAID OUT THIS WEEK

## WHAT THE DIFFERENT CLUBS WILL PAY YOU

<b>1c Club</b> Payments 1ST WEEK ..... 1c 2ND WEEK ..... 2c 3RD WEEK ..... 3c Increase every week by 1c Total in 50 Weeks <b>\$12.75</b>	<b>50c Club</b> Payments 1ST WEEK ..... 50c 2ND WEEK ..... 50c 3RD WEEK ..... 50c Deposit 50c every week Total in 50 Weeks <b>\$25.00</b>
<b>2c Club</b> Payments 1ST WEEK ..... 2c 2ND WEEK ..... 4c 3RD WEEK ..... 6c Increase every week by 2c Total in 50 Weeks <b>\$25.50</b>	<b>\$1.00 Club</b> Payments 1ST WEEK ..... \$1.00 2ND WEEK ..... \$1.00 3RD WEEK ..... \$1.00 Deposit \$1.00 every week Total in 50 Weeks <b>\$50.00</b>
<b>5c Club</b> Payments 1ST WEEK ..... 5c 2ND WEEK ..... 10c 3RD WEEK ..... 15c Increase every week by 5c Total in 50 Weeks <b>\$63.75</b>	<b>\$5.00 Club</b> Payments 1ST WEEK ..... \$5.00 2ND WEEK ..... \$5.00 3RD WEEK ..... \$5.00 Deposit \$5.00 every week Total in 50 Weeks <b>\$250.00</b>
<b>10c Club</b> Payments 1ST WEEK ..... 10c 2ND WEEK ..... 20c 3RD WEEK ..... 30c Increase every week by 10c Total in 50 Weeks <b>\$127.50</b>	<b>X Club</b> FOR <b>\$2, \$3, \$4</b> OR <b>\$10</b> ANY AMOUNT

4 Per Cent Interest Paid On Christmas Club Deposits.