

KEEP ARMY IN MEXICO

FUNSTON'S PLAN FOR REDISPOSITION OF TROOPS.

Will Virtually Police Area Where Carranzistas Have Been Unable to Give Protection.

Washington, April 23.—Behind a formal announcement today that President Wilson had approved a plan for redistribution of the American troops in Mexico, there was a plain intimation tonight that the Washington government had determined to maintain a military status quo beyond the border until the Mexican de facto government had demonstrated its ability to capture or crush Villa and his adherents, and prevent repetitions of the Columbus raid.

In the interim it is understood the American troops will be so placed as to safeguard the border towns by virtually policing the area south of the line where Gen. Carranza has been heretofore unable to check bandit operations.

Secretary Baker announced the approval of the redistribution plan, after consulting with the president today over a joint report submitted by Major Gen. Funston and Major Gen. Scott, chief of staff, in conference on the border. The plan was proposed by Gen. Funston and concurred in by Gen. Scott. The secretary announced the administration's decision as follows:

Purpose of Redispotion.

"Gen. Funston has recommended a redistribution of the forces in Mexico for the purpose of recuperation and opportunity for further cooperation with the forces of the de facto government of Mexico. The recommendation has been approved and its execution left to his discretion."

Later the secretary dictated the following:

"The statement I have made indicates nothing whatever on the subject of when the American troops will be withdrawn from Mexico. The whole subject of withdrawal of the forces is under negotiation by the State department."

Irish Repartee.

Sir Robert Finlay, M. P., lawyer, has been speaking vigorously in the house of commons on the advisability of making food contraband as well as articles of war, as far as Germany is concerned, according to the Boston Globe.

Sir Robert was once in Ireland when he met an Irish drover with a number of cattle going along a country road. "Where are you going to?" he inquired of the son of Erin.

"To Waterford Fair, your honor. "Indeed? And how much do you expect to get for the animals?" asked Sir Robert.

"Sure, an' if I get eight pounds each I shall not do badly," answered Pat.

"Ah, that's a sample of your country," said Sir Robert. "Now, if you would take them to England you would average 14 pounds each."

The Irishman, knowing full well that he could not afford the journey to England, and feeling a trifle hurt at the implied poverty of his native land, looked indignant for a moment, but suddenly his face brightened.

"Just so, yer honor," he retorted, "and if yez was to take the Lakes of Killarney to purgatory yez would get a guinea a drop for them."

SARTORIAL BARBARITIES.

Man Was Never More Uncomfortably Clothed Than at Present.

Having advised men to throw away their hats to save their hair, and discard tight or stiff collars for reasons as obvious as various, we are asked, how far is the campaign for men's sartorial relief going? What next?

There are a number of things men would do well to discard for health's and comfort's and convenience's sake. Cuffs, of course, should be thrown off with starched collars. Everybody agrees that stiff cuffs, whether detachable or not, are a nuisance. They serve no purpose whatever except to give the wearer a conventional, "well-groomed" appearance. Soft ones, and many of us have already taken to them, protect the wrist from the coat sleeve (aye, why the coat sleeve?) and look just as well when you get used to them.

But cuffs are minor nuisances compared to garters that bind the leg, and to suspenders and belts. If "union suits" serve as undergarments, why not as outer ones? Union suits worn exteriorly would eliminate belt or suspenders and, what is almost as important—vests. Why wear a vest, anyhow? As well wear a corset, except that a corset has no pockets so far as our information goes. A hatless, collarless, cuffless, suspenderless, beltless man in a comfortable, loose union suit and sandals—sandals, either with or without socks—would, when the sight of him became familiar, "look" better than the curiously hatted and clothed man.

NEW LIQUOR LAWS.

Liles Measure Provides Chaingang Sentence.—Acts Are Explained.

There are three principal anti-liquor bills passed by the 1916 legislature. One is known as the Liles bill and provides a chaingang sentence for the person convicted of selling liquors; this measure has been signed by the governor and is now in force; the second bill is Senator Carlisle's two-quarts-a-month bill, which has not been signed by Gov. Manning and will not become effective until 20 days after his signature. The third is the measure by Senators Carlisle and Johnstone for the purpose of validating the prohibition referendum election last September; this bill when signed will go into effect at once.

In lieu of the two quarts of spirituous liquors the consignee may purchase 60 pints of beer, which contains not more than five per cent. of alcohol, in any one calendar month. "And it shall be unlawful to have such liquors and beverages except for one's own personal use, or that of his immediate family, and then only at his usual place of residence," the bill provides. It is specifically provided that it shall be unlawful to store such liquors in any building in which is conducted a cafe, restaurant, club, social club or "similar resort."

The common carriers through which the liquors are transported are required to keep a correct record of all consignees and file monthly a statement either with the judge of probate or the clerk of court; in Richland county this report is given to the clerk of court. Peace officers are given authority to examine the records in the office of the common carrier.

It is further provided that the possession of any one person or more than two quarts of liquors or the "possession of any such liquors or beverages by any one person at any place other than his or her usual residence," or the signing of another's name as a consignee shall be prima facie evidence of violation of the law.

Any person, firm or corporation convicted of violating the two-quarts-a-month bill must suffer punishment for first offence of a fine of not less than \$100 nor more than \$500, or imprisonment for not less than 30 days nor more than six months; and for the second and every subsequent offence a fine of not less than \$100 nor more than \$5,000 and imprisonment for not less than six months or more than two years. Sacramental wines are exempted.

Wholesale druggists are given the right to sell to retail druggists and hospitals any quantity of pure alcohol for medicinal purposes only, provided that a monthly statement of such sales are filed with the clerk of court. Before selling pure alcohol for medicinal purposes, a retail druggist must file a bond of \$1,000 and fill only those prescriptions made by a regular practicing physician of the State. Such prescription must be filled either on the day of or the day after it is issued by a physician and may not be filled in drug store in which the physician is financially interested.

Manufacturers of ginger-ale in purchasing pure alcohol must first file a bond of \$1,000; such a product may not contain more than one-tenth of one per cent. of alcohol.

The provision regarding the labeling of sachels containing liquor was stricken out in free conference, though the section passed through both houses.

Time Table.

A man asked the ticket agent when the first train left for Philadelphia.

"It was a good many years ago," said the ticket man; "I can't just recollect the year." Sentinel.

Tests the Wear of Cloth.

A machine for testing the wearing quality of cloth has been produced in Bradford, England. It may be found of interest to American firms which manufacture, sell or use textile fabrics. Relative wearing qualities of different pieces of cloth may be determined by placing them in the machine and giving them a uniform number of rubs, perhaps two hundred each. This makes it possible to compare one kind of cloth with its imitation, or to compare samples of the same character from different mills.

A piece of cloth is clamped in a rigid jaw and passes over a rubbing surface formed by dull blades set in a cylinder. This cylinder makes one revolution clockwise, then one in the opposite direction, and this is recorded by a counter as one rub. The other end of the cloth is clamped to a roller, on which is placed the quadrant, from which any number of weights can be suspended, and thus put the cloth in tension. The machine can be driven by an electric motor. When the cloth is worn through the machine automatically stops.—Commerce Report.

NOTICE OF TOWN ELECTION.

To the Citizens and Electors of the Town of Bamberg, S. C.:

Please take notice that on Tuesday, May 2, 1916, an election will be held in the Town of Bamberg, to determine whether or not the said Town shall be bonded in the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars, at a rate of interest not to exceed six per cent. per annum, for the purpose of extending and building waterworks in said Town.

Please also take notice that on Tuesday, May 2nd, 1916, an election will be held in the Town of Bamberg, to determine whether or not the said Town shall be bonded in the sum of Five Thousand Dollars, at a rate of interest not to exceed six per cent. per annum, for the purpose of constructing and maintenance of the lighting plant in said town.

The books of registration of the Town will be opened twenty days before said election, and will remain open ten days, for the registration of qualified electors who did not register for the last regular election in May, 1915.

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