

THE WADE COURT WINDS UP WORK

Its Findings Given to the War Department.

IT CRITICISES GEN. MILES

AND CENSURES OTHER OFFICERS FOR IMPROPERITIES.

GENERAL EAGAN GETS A DOUBLE SHARP

Canned Beef an Untried Ration that Should Not Have Been Bought in Such Quantities.

Doctoring of Beef Unsupported by Testimony.

Washington, April 29.—The Wade court of inquiry today concluded its work in connection with the allegations of General Miles concerning the beef supplied to the army during the war with Spain. Col. Davis, the recorder of the court, carried the official copy of the findings to the War Department, and in the absence of Secretary Alger, delivered it to Acting Secretary Meiklejohn. Mr. Meiklejohn immediately sealed the document in an envelope and forwarded it to the White House, whence it was dispatched. The report is of about 30,000 words and goes fully into the questions which have been raised in connection with the army beef. The text has not been made public and will not be until after the President shall have read it.

The verdict, however, is known to be that the allegations which General Miles made before the war investigating commission are not sustained with reference to the refrigerated beef, although his contention that the continuous ration was not a suitable one is admitted. There is direct criticism of General Miles for failing to promptly bring the attention of the War Department to reports made to him concerning bad beef, "and several individuals" are censured for failing to observe the proprieties of their positions as commanding officers in this and other respects.

The court takes the position that the testimony is conclusive that both the refrigerated beef and the canned beef were in good condition when delivered to the Government and continued so till issued to the troops except in special instances, when the deterioration was due to accidental conditions in transportation or to the influence of the tropical climate. The report admits the liability of refrigerated beef to taint quickly after removal from ice chests. The court finds the charges of "embalming" the fresh beef to have been unsubstantiated by the testimony and says no chemicals were used to preserve it. It also finds that it would have been impracticable to secure beef on the hoof for the Cuban campaign. The finding is likewise in opposition to the assertion on the part of General Miles that the use of beef was an experiment.

Much attention is given to the charges concerning the canned roast beef, and it is stated that the testimony proved it to have been wholesome and nutritious where used in moderation and under favorable circumstances. The fact is set forth that the canned roast beef had not been used to any appreciable extent before the beginning of this war, and it is therefore regarded as a practically untried ration. In view of this fact the Commissary General is roundly criticized for the purchase of the meat in such extensive quantities.

The court finds that the beef was not doctored; that there was no more neglect than was incident to the hurried preparation for war; that the inspection while generally according to regulations, was not always up to

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requirements, and that the sickness of the troops was not to any great degree occasioned by the use of either the canned or refrigerated beef. But the court does not think further proceedings necessary.

CELEBRATES 74TH BIRTHDAY.

Dr. Thos. E. Skinner Has Passed Beyond His Three-score Years and Ten.

Seeing him on the streets yesterday, briskly walking, a fine light in his eye, stalwart of frame and jovial of heart, his fellow-citizens, are not prepared for the announcement that Dr. Thos. E. Skinner was seventy-four years of age April 29. But the beloved preacher and honored citizen claims that distinction, and he observed the anniversary in a characteristic manner, with a sumptuous dinner to which he had invited his fellow ministers, Dr. Carter, Dr. Simms, Rev. Mr. Cade, Rev. Mr. Leavitt, and Messrs. T. H. Briggs, John T. Pullen, W. W. Vass and J. W. Bailey.

After dinner several of those present were called upon to speak. Dr. J. W. Carter reviewed the history that has taken place in the seventy-four years of his host's life. When he was born the first steam locomotive had just made its first run. Since then we have had all the wondrous development and inventions relative to steam-power, and now electricity is disputing the right to steam to the field. Reviewing political history he stated that Dr. Skinner's life covered nineteen presidential terms of the twenty-four that have been. He was born during the administration of John Quincy Adams. He has lived through two victorious wars with other nations and through the great Civil strife. He has seen more things, he has, so far as deeds go, lived longer than Methuselah! And we all know that the world is better because his life was given us in these active years.

Mr. T. H. Briggs touched briefly upon the history of the North Carolina Baptists, speaking of their small beginnings, faithful struggles and remarkable growth. Of course he could not speak on this subject without telling much of Dr. Skinner's life, for he has played no small part in the development of the North Carolina Baptists. He has occupied nearly all the phases of honor and usefulness they could give him, and always with ability. In our own city he has done his greatest work. The first Baptist church was the work of his prime. We may never repay the debt we owe him, and we need him still and hope to have him yet many more years with us.

Mr. Bailey spoke looking forward, from the point of view of a young man. The principles of the Baptists will abide forever, unchanged. Men may change, methods may change, but our principles will be handed down from generation to generation as Dr. Skinner has handed them down; they will live in them that shall follow after just as they have lived in him. The denomination will slowly but surely become more educated, more liberal, and more powerful. It has a great mission to perform and it is preparing. It will abide in the hopefulness of youth, its face to the sunrise until the last. Men may grow old—though Dr. Skinner rather proves that they do not—but denominations remain young so long as they have aught to live for.

Rev. Mr. Cade offered a bright original poem. Mr. Leavitt spoke of Dr. Skinner's reputation outside of Raleigh, saying that when he started to this city he was told that in him he would find a friend strong and willing to help a young man. John Pullen said that the secret of Dr. Skinner's well-borne years was in his devout love for God and God's love for him.

Then the genial host gave some reminiscences of his career, touching, humorous and instructive. His reverent gratitude to God for the length of his days and the goodness of the years, his tribute to his mother, his allusions to the continual Providences of God, were very effective. Dr. H. M. Stims offered a tender prayer.

Dr. Skinner is still a young man. Not even his frame is old; and surely his mind is as fresh as in his prime and his soul is in the morning of God's love. As a minister his life has been a signal blessing not only to our city, but to his denomination throughout the South. He is well-known at the North also. His face is still toward the sun-rise. His delight in doing good knows no waning. He loves a young man and his joy is in standing by young men wherever he finds them. In his heart there are the impulses of ever-renewing life.

The readers of the News and Observer will join us in congratulating him upon this happy birth-day; and throughout our city, in the houses where his presence has so often been a benediction, many will be the hearty wishes for his health and happiness. God bless the grand old man.

THE CRUISER RALEIGH.

Some Definite Information About it Expected Here Today.

In reply to an inquiry Captain Coghlan telegraphs Mr. C. C. McDonald that he will telegraph from Philadelphia Monday when the ship will go to Wilmington, and whether the gun will be presented at Wilmington or Raleigh.

The railroads will make a round trip rate of \$3.50 on the occasion. Mr. McDonald tried to secure an excursion train with the intention of making a rate of \$2.50 but failed.

ST. LUKE'S HOME.

Contributions from the Holts and others of Burlington have been added to the fund for the building of the new St. Luke's Home. Also from the Simpson-Shields Ship Company, the Cone Export and Commission Company and from prominent judges, attorneys, bankers and other citizens of Greensboro. Of course the interest manifested and the progress made toward obtaining the desired amount is encouraging to the ladies of St. Luke's Circle in their labor of love and they are very grateful to the friends of the Home for their ready assistance. The following gentlemen have been appointed for the selection of a site and building for the Home: Messrs. R. T. Gray, Robt. Strong, Frank Stronach and Jno. T. Pullen.

If you have piles, cure them. No use undergoing horrible operations that simply remove the results of the disease without disturbing the disease itself. Place your confidence in DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. It has never failed to cure others; it will not fail to cure you. J. Hal Bobbitt and Henry T. Hicks.

THE CLOSING CONVENTION.

Atlanta, Ga., April 29.—The International Sunday School Convention today decided to hold their next meeting at Denver, in 1902.

Sunday school work in the new possessions of the United States was discussed at the morning session. Letters from T. C. Ichihara, of Japan, and Rev. Richard Burgess, of India, and "Our Co-Workers in Other Lands," and on "The Work of the Foreign Sunday School Association of the United States," by Rev. H. C. Woodruff, of New York, were read.

Hon. John Wanamaker, of Philadelphia, was elected chairman of the executive committee of the international organization, and J. F. Jacobs, of Chicago, was chosen world's commissioner to visit Sunday schools in all lands where the Bible is used.

THE AMERICANS AS FIGHTERS.

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CIVIL WAR RELIC.

As one strolls along the Blount street side of the Executive Mansion, he notices—or rather doesn't notice—an oak tree which stands about twenty yards north of the main entrance. Imbedded in this tree is a chain which has been there for over thirty years. When the Federal troops occupied Raleigh, some of them were encamped in what is now the Mansion yard—Burke square, or "Lovejoy's Grove," as it was better known. They used the tree, of which we have spoken, as a hitching post for their horses, and the chain, which was fastened to it with a staple has never been removed.

FIRE LAST NIGHT.

At midnight last night a fire was discovered in the rear of a restaurant on Wilmington street, almost opposite the market house. An alarm was turned in and the flames were promptly extinguished. The damage is small. It is supposed the fire originated from a stove.

COL. TAYLOR RESIGNS.

Col. Walker Taylor, of the First North Carolina regiment, State Guard, has resigned and asked to be placed on the retired list. His adjutant, Capt. W. N. Harris, also resigns. An election will be held at Wilson on Wednesday, May 17th, to fill the vacancy.

ONLY ONE CASE.

Only one new case of smallpox developed yesterday. That was a negro named Henry Stanley, who called at Dr. McKee's and asked admission to the pest house. His sister who lived with him was taken to the house of detention.

CONTESTS FOR OFFICE.

The agricultural board case is set for argument in the Supreme court next Tuesday morning. Yesterday the Cherry-Burns case for Keeper of the Capitol was argued.

People who have once taken Dewitt's Little Early Risers will never have anything else. They are the "famous little pills" for torpid liver and all irregularities of the system. J. Hal Bobbitt and Henry T. Hicks.

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April 6th, 1899.

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Ar Wilmington S A L	4 33 am	5 59 pm
Ar Monroe	6 53 am	8 12 pm
Ar Charlotte	*7 50 am	*10 25 pm
Ar Chester	*8 am	*10 56 pm
Ar Greensboro	10 35 am	1 05 pm
Ar Athens	1 13 pm	3 48 pm
Ar Atlanta	3 30 pm	6 20 am

NORTH BOUND.

Ly Raleigh	No 402	No 39
Ar Henderson	*2 14 m	*11 13 am
Ar Weldon	3 27 am	*12 50 pm
Ar Portsmouth S A L	*4 55 am	*7 0 pm
Ar Richmond A C L	6 53 am	5 30 pm
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Jan. 15, 1899.	Daily	Daily	Daily	Daily
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Ar Rocky Mount	12 55	10 36	—	—
Ly Tarboro	12 12	—	—	—
Ar Rocky Mount	1 10	10 26	5 40	12 52
Ly Wilson	1 58	11 14	6 20	2 40
Ly Selma	2 55	11 57	—	—
Ly Fayetteville	3 52	—	—	—
Ar Florence	7 25	3 15	—	—
—	A M	A M	—	—
Ly Goldsboro	—	—	7 01	3 21
Ly Magnolia	—	—	8 09	4 25
Ar Wilmington	—	—	9 40	5 56
—	—	—	A M	P M

TRAINS GOING NORTH.

No 78	No 32	No 40	No 48
Daily	Daily	Daily	Daily
Ly Florence	A M	P M	—
Ly Fayetteville	12 25	9 43	—
Ly Selma	1 50	10 52	—
Ar Wilson	2 35	11 31	—
—	P M	A M	—
Ly Wilmington	—	—	7 00
Ly Magnolia	—	—	8 24
Ly Goldsboro	—	—	9 45
—	P M	A M	P M
Ly Wilson	2 35	11 31	10 38
Ar Rocky Mount	3 30	12 07	11 35
Ar Tarboro	12 21	—	—
Ly Tarboro	—	—	—
Ly Rocky Mount	3 10	12 07	—
Ar Weldon	4 32	21 59	—

*Daily except Monday. †Daily except Sunday

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12 42 p m Ar	Climax
12 13 p m Ar	Greensboro
11 55 a m Ar	Greensboro
10 7 a m Ar	Stokesdale
10 36 a m Ar	Walnut Cove
10 09 a m Ar	Rural Hill
9 45 a m Ar	Mt. Airy
—	Ar 7 35 p m
South Bound	North Bound
Daily	Daily
No. 62.	BENNETTSVILLE.
9 0 a m Ar	Bennettsville
10 7 a m Ar	Maxton
9 35 a m Ar	Red Springs
10 20 a m Ar	Hope Mills
10 40 a m Ar	Fayetteville
—	Ar 4 35 p m
South Bound	North Bound
Daily	Daily
No. 46.	MADISON BRANCH.
5 30 p m Ar	Ramseur
3 50 p m Ar	Climax
2 40 p m Ar	Greensboro
3 20 p m Ar	Greensboro
1 15 p m Ar	Stokesdale
11 30 p m Ar	Madison
—	Ar 11 55 a m

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