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The Advance has always stood for the opening of a Y. M. C. A. in Elizabeth City. We know of no town anywhere where there is so much need of such an organization.

The Advance hopes that the young men of the city who are in earnest in their desire for the immediate organization and opening of a Y. M. C. A. here will throw themselves wholeheartedly in the effort now being made to bring about this end.

In last week's Myock letter we observed the following item:

'A very creditable gymnasium has been established at the Academy. It consists of a trapeze, two sets of rings, a horizontal bar and dumb bells.'

This was a step in the right direction. A gymnasium in every school in the section is probably as much needed as and would be more used than a Library.

The editor of The Advance loses this week the first day that he has missed from work through illness in twelve years.

RALEIGH NEWS LETTER

Developments at the State Capital Entertainingly Presented—Why the Re-election of President Wilson is Best for the Country—State Republican Convention Meets—Activity of the Friends of the Gubernatorial Candidates—Important News Developments.

Special Correspondence

Raleigh, Feb 29—The political atmosphere is fast becoming surcharged with interest in the possible events which are to result from the developments of this important year in the political and governmental life of the nation and State.

With the wrong man in the white house, the next year may see the United States, involved in war, with all the attendant horrors which such a conflict would precipitate.

Importance Of Presidential Election Who doubts such a prospect if

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Reesevelt, or a man dictated and named by him for the Republican presidential nomination, should be elected this year? And yet it looks like the Bull Moose leader, who whipped the Republican nominee so unmercifully in the last election will be allowed to name the candidate for the standpat Republicans this time if the latter does not actually hand the nomination to Teddy himself, in a desperate effort to defeat Wilson (who of course will be renominated at St. Louis.)

But if the high strung factions, erratic Roosevelt (for one whom he controls or largely influences) is placed at the helm—then call the master roll! He could not keep out of the fracas if he tried, and he would never try to avoid hostilities. He would invite them and we would be called upon to pay the price of something unnecessary, vain and out of which we, as a nation and as individuals, would emerge not only without gain but overwhelmed with suffering and shattered fortune.

Republican State Convention

The meeting of the Republican State Convention in Raleigh this week, beginning Wednesday, March 1st, marks the first of the State political gatherings, all of which will be held in Raleigh this year.

Under the new law the primaries will be held on the first Saturday in June in all the counties, for all political parties, and the candidates for nomination by their respective parties for the various State offices will be voted for at that time, those polling the highest votes becoming the candidates to be voted for at the election in November.

Gubernatorial Candidates

It is stated here today that the Republican Convention may endorse certain men and recommend that they be voted for for certain offices in the primaries.

Activity Among State Democrats

Among the Democrats the Dautridge people are first in the field actively for their favorite for governor, and they seem to be making considerable headway.

The managers of his campaign have opened headquarters here with J. E. Caraway of Waynesville, P. R. Capelle and J. C. Daughtride of Rocky Mount in charge and these gentlemen appear to be confident of the success of their former and business man's candidate.

mechanics and the working classes who are close to nature and want to see another farmer governor after twenty years of intermission.

The other candidates have not yet opened headquarters here, but probably will do so soon.

For More Drastic Prohibition Laws At a meeting of the Board of trustees of the North Carolina Anti-Saloon League, just held here, it was decided to ask the legislature for more drastic prohibition laws.

Both Governor Craig and his private Secretary, Col. J. H. Kerr have been confined to their rooms for several days of illness.



At a recent meeting of the Board of Trustees of Atlantic Christian College of Wilson President Raymond A. Smith of Beckley, W. Va. was unanimously elected President of the college President J. C. Caldwell, the newly elected Dean of the College of the Bible of Drake University, Des Moines, Iowa.

Dr. Smith has creditably filled positions of distinction both in the ministry and educational institutions of the Disciple Church. He comes so highly recommended, and with such evident qualifications that the trustees, faculty students and friends of Atlantic Christian College are highly gratified in his acceptance.

Dr. D. H. Hill has announced that A. & M. college has been offered a loan fund of \$1,000 by the Southern Railway for the purpose of aiding boys who are unable to pay their way through college to obtain an education.

The fund will be given in small sums to such students as need the money, and will be repaid by them after leaving college and going to work.

Fully confessing their guilt, Ernest Lowry and George Posten, negroes, convicted of the murder of Grant Davis, another negro, in Gaston County on March 7, 1915, were electrocuted at the State prison on Friday morning.

Three men were drowned last week in a well filled with beer in the mountains of a Georgia village as a result of a raid by government revenue officers on a 'wild cat' still.

The workers of the Home Demonstration Division of the Extension Service are beginning the organization of community clubs among the women of the farm.

- The Purpose of the Organization 1. To offer systematic plans and conveniences to save time and labor 2. To build better living conditions. 3. To teach the nutritive and economic value of foods. 4. To demonstrate good, wholesome cooking, better balanced food. (a) To develop stronger manhood and womanhood. (b) To build better homes. 5. To create a fine community spirit. (a) By exchange of ideas. (b) By developing the social life.



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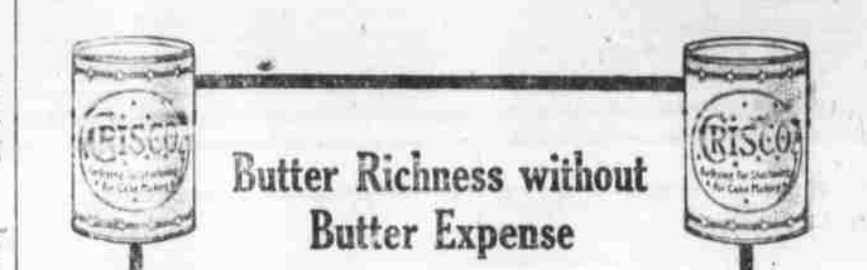
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