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Winter Wheat Crop Short.

Washington, April 7.—A total production of 495,000,000 bushels of winter wheat was forecasted today by the department of agriculture, basing its estimate on the condition of the crop April 8 and the assumption of average acreage

and average influences on the crop to harvest. That compares with 655,000,045 bushels, the estimated production in 1915.

It will be a crime against nature if the war deprives us of the dyes for our Easter eggs.

Brown Mountain Raid.

Charlotte Observer.

The people of Lenoir are arranging another expedition to lay the ghost. They are organizing an expedition to move on Brown Mountain and ascertain the cause of the mysterious light that has excited the curiosity of the Government and aroused the superstitions of many of the natives. The light has been a puzzling phenomenon for two years and the Lenoir people, after one fruitless expedition, are determined on another try at it. Moore's Cross Roads, about a mile south of the mountain, is the rendezvous and April 20 is the date set for the movement to start. Dr. C. L. Wilson will head the party of intrepid spirits and bold adventurers. After all theories have been sifted down, the consensus of opinion appears to be that the light is caused by gases escaping from the bowels of the mountain, and that were ignited in some accidental manner. Perhaps Brown Mountain may come into fame as a natural gas producer, or possibly the Lenoir explorers may strike an oil field. At any rate, they are determined that the mountain shall give up its secret.

This State in Registration Area.

That North Carolina has been admitted into the registration area of the United States, which gives her not only national but international recognition as to her vital statistics, is the official statement made today by Sam L. Regers, director of the bureau of the census, Washington, D. C., to Dr. W. S. Rankin, secretary of the state board of health. This recognition comes to North Carolina, the third southern state to be admitted, as a result of a recent investigation by the federal census bureau of the completeness of the registration of deaths for that part of North Carolina that is not already in the registration area, namely, the rural section and the towns that had less than 1,000 population in 1910. The result of the investigation shows that 94.26 per cent of all deaths occurring in the state are registered, the standard required of all states in order to be admitted into the registration area being 90 per cent.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

For Treasurer.

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the office of Treasurer of McDowell county, subject to the action of the Democratic primary. I promise, if nominated and elected, to serve the people to the best of my ability.
M. G. POTEAT.

I hereby offer myself as a candidate for the office of Treasurer of McDowell County, subject to the action of the Democratic party, with these reasons: First, the fact that we have never had a paying office in this end of the county; second, my faithful service to the party.
A. W. GILLIAM.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for Treasurer of McDowell County subject to the action of the Democratic primaries.
A. W. GRAYSON.

For Register of Deeds.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for re-election to the office of Register of Deeds of McDowell County subject to the action of the Democratic primaries.
R. L. C. GIBSON.

For Sheriff.

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the office of Sheriff of McDowell County, subject to the action of the Democratic primary. If nominated and elected I promise to serve the people to the best of my ability.
J. R. LEDBETTER.

For the House.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for Representative from McDowell County in the lower house of the next General Assembly, subject to the action of the Democratic primaries.
MILES P. FLACK.

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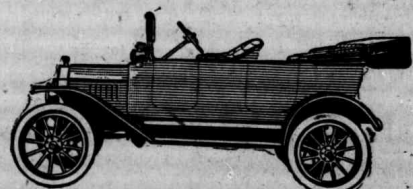
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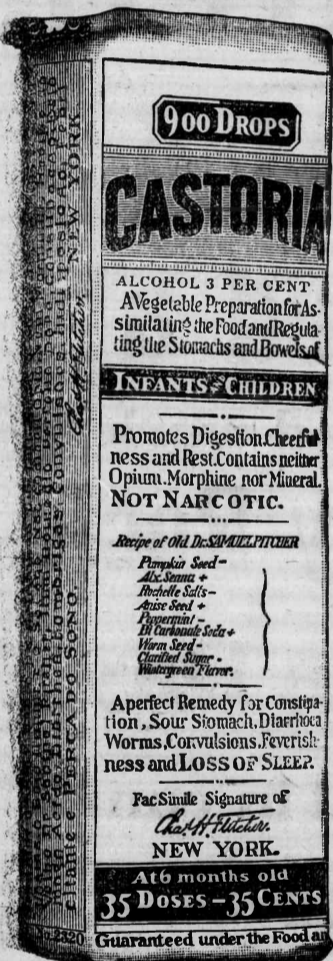
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